

ATEX 2014/34/EU

Marking Explosion Protected Equipment



Classification and Marking of Hazardous Areas						
Flammable substances	Temporary behavior of the explosive medium	Zone	Marking of equipment		Equipment protection level (EPL)	Diagram for spatial determination
			Group	Category		
Gases Vapors Fumes	permanent, long-lasting or frequently present	0	II	1G 2G 3G	Ga Gb Gc	
	occurs occasionally	1	II	1D 2D 3D	Da Db Dc	
	should not occur, only rarely and briefly	2	II			
Dust	permanent, long-lasting or frequently present	20	II	1D 2D 3D	Da Db Dc	
	occurs occasionally	21	II	1D 2D 3D	Da Db Dc	
	should not occur due to swirled up dust, seldom/short term	22	II	1D 2D 3D	Da Db Dc	
Methane Dust	very high protection	Mining	I	M1 M2	Ma Mb	
	high protection	Mining	I	M1 M2	Ma Mb	

Classification into Explosion Groups and Temperature Classes							
Explosion group				Examples depending on explosion group and temperature class			
I	IIA	IIB	IIC	methane (free of coal dust deposits)	-	-	methane (with coal dust deposits)
				n-butane methane propane i-butane acetone toluene ammonia propylene ethyl acetate	n-butane ethanol methanol i-pentane isopropanol 1-butene i-octane cyclohexane n-butane	gas kerosene diesel fuel pentane n-octane n-hexane cyclohexane	methane (with coal dust deposits)
				coal gas carbon monoxide acrylonitrile	ethylene oxide 2-buten 1-propanol butadiene 1,4-dioxane	dimethyl ether ethyl glycol hydrogen sulphide	acetaldehyde butyraldehyde
				hydrogen	acetylene	-	-
				T1 < 450°C			
				T2 < 300°C			
				T3 < 200°C			
				T4 < 135°C			
				T5 < 100°C			
				T6 < 85°C			

Devices can be used according to their certification for temperature classes T1 to T6. The temperature class shows the maximum permissible surface temperature of the equipment. For dust explosion protection the maximum surface temperature is indicated directly (e.g. T80°C).

Temperature Classes

Jahr Guideline Test Number



Contain the explosion	Flameproof enclosure	Ex d da db dc	0, 1, 2 1, 2 2		EN 60079-1
No arcs, sparks, or hot surfaces	Increased safety	Ex e eb ec	1, 2 2		EN 60079-7
Limit energy of sparks and temperature	Intrinsic safety	Ex i ia ib ic	0, 1, 2, 20, 21, 22 1, 2, 21, 22 2, 22		EN 60079-11 EN 60079-25 EN 60079-27
Keep flammable gas out	Pressurized encapsulation	Ex p pxb pyb pzc	1, 2, 21, 22 1, 2, 21, 22 2, 22		EN 60079-2
Keep flammable gas out	Encapsulation	Ex m ma mb mc	0, 1, 2, 20, 21, 22 1, 2, 21, 22 2, 22		EN 60079-18
Keep flammable gas out	Oil encapsulation	Ex o ob oc	1, 2 2		EN 60079-6
Contain the explosion	Sand encapsulation	Ex q qb	1, 2		EN 60079-5
Keep flammable gas out	Ignition protection type "n"	Ex n nC nR nA	2 2 2		EN 60079-15
Dust explosion protection	Protection by housing	Ex t ta tb tc	20, 21, 22 21, 22 22		EN 60079-31
Limit energy of sparks and temperature	Inherent safe optical radiation	Ex op is	0, 1, 2, 20, 21, 22		EN 60079-28
Keep flammable gas out	Protected optical radiation	Ex op pr	1, 2, 21, 22		EN 60079-28
Keep flammable gas out	Optical system with locking mechanism	Ex op sh	1, 2, 21, 22		EN 60079-28
Protective principle	Zündschutzart	Label	Use in zone	Icon	CENELEC

Principle of Protection; Types of Protection; Standards - EN 60079-0 General Requirements

Explosion group	Dust groups		
	III A	IIIB	IIIC
Conductive dust			
Non-conductive dust			
Combustible flyings			

e.g.: IP 67

8	-	Permanent immersion	8
7	-	Temporary immersion	7
6	Dust-tight	Strong jet	6
5	Dust-protected	Protected against water jets	5
4	Objects > Ø 1.0 mm	Protected against splash water	4
3	Objects > Ø 2.5 mm	Protected against spray water	3
2	Objects > Ø 12.5 mm	Drip water with 15° inclination	2
1	Objects > Ø 50 mm	Protected against dripping water	1
0	No protection	No protection	0
IP	Solid particle protection	Liquid protection	IP

Housing Protection IEC EN 60529

The equipment can be used without restriction	X
Special requirements must be observed when using the equipment	
The equipment is an Ex component with partial certification and therefore cannot be used on its own	
CE conformity is certified with installation in a complete piece of equipment	

Conditions Label

Additional Information