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- a) All parts of the standard have been largely rewritten and updated to cope with new testing requirements, new product configurations, the advent of electronic product controls and computer based test-room data collection and processing equipment.
- b) In Part 1 there are some changes to test room equipment specifications and the setup for testing to provide additional flexibility especially when testing multiple appliances in a single test room.

- c) For more efficient analysis and to better characterise the key product characteristics under different operating conditions, the test data from many of the energy tests in Part 3 is now split into components (such as steady state operation and defrost and recovery). The approach to determination of energy consumption has been completely revised, with many internal checks now included to ensure that data complying with the requirements of the standard is as accurate as possible and of high quality.
- d) Part 3 of the standard now provides a method to quantify each of the relevant energy components and approaches on how these can be combined to estimate energy under different conditions on the expectation that different regions will select components and weightings that are most applicable when setting both their local performance and energy efficiency criteria while using a single set of global test measurements.
- e) For energy consumption measurements in Part 3, no thermal mass (test packages) is included in any compartment and compartment temperatures are based on the average of air temperature sensors (compared to the temperature in the warmest test package). There are also significant differences in the position of temperature sensors in unfrozen compartments.
- f) The energy consumption test in Part 3 now has two specified ambient temperatures (16°C and 32°C).
- g) While, in Part 2 (this part) test packages are still used for the storage test to confirm performance in different operating conditions, in Part 1 they have been standardised to one size (100 mm × 100 mm × 50 mm) to simplify loading and reduce test variability. A clearance of at least 15 mm is now specified between test packages and the compartment liner.
- h) A load processing energy efficiency test has been added in Part 3.
- i) A tank-type ice making energy efficiency test has been added in Part 3.
- j) A cooling capacity test has been added in Part 2 (this part).
- k) A pull-down test has been added in Part 2 (this part).
- l) Shelf area and storage volume measurement methods are no longer included. In Part 3 the volume measurement has been revised to be the total internal volume with only components necessary for the satisfactory operation of the refrigeration system considered as being in place.
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