

Standards Development Process and Status in China

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What is the current use of IEC standards within China?

- Chinese Government encourage to adopt IEC standards and support the relevant institutions to attend IEC activities
- Lighting Industry
 - Almost all safety standards of lighting applications equate to IEC standards
 - Performance
 - Model defined closely to IEC
 - No defined requirements for performance specifications in IEC standards, so they are established by ourselves
 - There are few IEC test method standards, which were mainly established by ourselves



Who in China is responsible for IEC both at a high level and for lighting in particular?

• Standardization Administration of the People's Republic of China – National Standards

 Ministry of Industry and Information Technology – Industry Standards

 National Development and Reform Commission & Ministry of Science and Technology – Regulations

- National Technical Committee on Lighting of Standardization Administration
 - IEC TC34/SCA,B,C lighting sources and their accessories sub-committee
 - IEC TC34/SCD Luminaries sub-committee
 - CIE Division 2 measurement sub-committee
 - CIE others illumination basis sub-committee



Who initiates the development of test standards and who goes to the IEC meetings?

 It is normally suggested by the manufacturers and government institutions to develop the standards

 Lighting sub-committees make the plans of the development and report to lighting committee

• For national standards, then report to Standardization Administration of the People's Republic of China

• For industry standards, then report to CALI and Ministry of Industry and information Technology

- For Regulations, then report to NDRC and MOST and would be drafted by their appointed institutions
- The test standards is usually initiated by test institutions (such as NLTC)





- A lot of people have participated in IEC meetings
- NLTC has participated in the IEC discussions
 - Mercury test method
 - CFL and LED IEC meetings



The normal development timeframe?

- The main manufacturers in China usually the mostly involved in the Chinese standards development
- Typically, at least one year is needed to draft a standard
- Another one year is needed for examination and approval.
- Last year, the standards developed too fast, which might effect their quality. Therefore this year government will pay more attention to the quality of standards.
- For CFL performance standard, as there is no IEC or other standards for reference, it was drafted by NLTC (in 1996)



The white the current status of lighting standards and the timetable for likely revisions?

- Almost all IEC safety standards transformed to be Chinese standards quickly
- China is paying more attention to IEC standards
- What China mostly focus on is LEDs
 - The test method research is very important
 - It would be better not to make more performance standards too early
 - NLTC drafted some relevant LED regulations, which will be updated at least each six months



That is the current status of lighting standards and the timetable for likely revisions?

- China attaches importance to international cooperation for the standards
- NLTC think much of the standard harmonization, however the precondition is the united of the test method and evaluation method
- LED Street lighting specification has been published
- At the end of this year, other LED specification will also come out
- The LED lighting test method and evaluation method are under research



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