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Safety performance requirements**

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Foreword

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- *Part 1: High-power applications*
- *Part 2: High-energy applications*
- *Part 3: Safety performance requirements*

Introduction

Lithium-ion battery systems are efficient rechargeable energy storage systems for electrically propelled road vehicles. The requirements for lithium-ion battery systems to be used as power source for the propulsion of electric road vehicles are significantly different to those batteries used for consumer electronics or for stationary applications.

Lithium-ion batteries can store electricity at relatively high-energy density compared to other battery chemistries currently available. Under current state of art, most lithium-ion batteries use organic electrolytes which are classified as Class 3 "flammable liquid" under the "UN Recommendations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods — Model Regulations". Therefore, mitigating potential hazards associated with fire or explosion of lithium-ion batteries is considered an important issue.

This part of ISO 12405 provides specific test procedures and related requirements to ensure an appropriate and acceptable level of safety of lithium-ion battery systems specifically developed for propulsion of road vehicles.