

# Ergonomics of the thermal environment

## Analytical determination and interpretation of heat stress using calculation of the Predicted Heat Strain

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## 1 Scope

This document describes a mathematical model (the predicted heat strain (PHS) model) for the analytical determination and interpretation of the thermal stress (in terms of water loss and rectal temperature) experienced by an average person in a hot environment and determines the “maximum allowable exposure times”, with which the physiological strain is acceptable for 95 % of the exposed population (the maximum tolerable rectal temperature and the maximum tolerable water loss are not exceeded by 95 % of the exposed people).

The various terms used in this prediction model, and in particular in the heat balance, show the influence of the different physical parameters of the environment on the thermal stress experienced by the average person. In this way, this document makes it possible to determine which parameter or group of parameters can be changed, and to what extent, in order to reduce the risk of physiological strains.

In its present form, this method of assessment is not applicable to cases where special protective clothing (such as fully reflective clothing, active cooling and ventilation, impermeable coveralls...) is worn.

The model has not been extensively validated for conditions with unsteady environmental parameters, metabolic rate and/or clothing and therefore must be used cautiously in cases where these parameters vary substantially with time. It does not permit to determine validly the duration of time needed for an average person whose rectal temperature has risen to 38°C or more, to recover a rectal temperature of 36.8°C.

This document does not predict the physiological response of an individual person, but only considers average persons in good health and fit for the work they perform. It is therefore intended to be used by ergonomists, industrial hygienists, etc. Recommendations about how and when to use this model are given in ISO 16595/WP.

## 2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

- ISO 7726, *Ergonomics of the thermal environment — Instruments for measuring physical quantities*
- ISO 8996, *Ergonomics of the thermal environment — Determination of metabolic rate*
- ISO 9886, *Ergonomics — Evaluation of thermal strain by physiological measurements*
- ISO 9920, *Ergonomics of the thermal environment — Estimation of thermal insulation and water vapour resistance of a clothing ensemble*
- ISO 13731, *Ergonomics of the thermal environment — Vocabulary and symbols*
- ISO 13732-1, *Ergonomics of the thermal environment — Methods for the assessment of human responses to contact with surfaces — Part 1: Hot surfaces*

## 3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in ISO 13731 apply.

## 4 Symbols

The symbols and abbreviated terms are listed in Table 1

Table 1 — Symbols and units conforming to ISO 13731

Symbol	Term	Unit
$\alpha$	fraction of the body mass at the skin temperature	—
$\alpha_i$	skin-core weighting at time $t_i$	—
$\alpha_{i-1}$	skin-core weighting at time $t_{i-1}$	—

$\epsilon_{cl}$	emissivity of outer clothing surface assuming this is non-reflective	—
$\epsilon_{cl,r}$	emissivity of outer clothing surface	—
$\theta$	angle between walking direction and wind direction	—
$A$	age	years
$A_{Du}$	DuBois body area surface	m <sup>2</sup>
$A_p$	fraction of the body surface covered by the reflective clothing	—
$A_r$	effective radiating area of a body	m <sup>2</sup>
$C$	convective heat flow	W·m <sup>-2</sup>
$c_e$	water latent heat of vaporization	J·kg <sup>-1</sup>
$Corr,i_m$	correction factor for the static moisture permeability index	—
$Corr,i_a$	correction factor for the static boundary layer thermal insulation	—
$Corr,i_{cl}$	correction factor for the static clothing thermal insulation	—
$Corr,i_T$	correction factor for the static total clothing thermal insulation	—
$c_p$	specific heat of dry air at constant pressure	J·kg <sup>-1</sup> ·K <sup>-1</sup>
$c_{p,b}$	specific heat of the body	J·kg <sup>-1</sup> ·K <sup>-1</sup>
$C_{res}$	respiratory convective heat flow	W·m <sup>-2</sup>
$D_{lim}$	allowable exposure time	min
$D_{lim,tc_r}$	allowable exposure time for heat storage	min
$D_{lim,loss}$	allowable exposure time for water loss, 95 % of the working population	min
$D_{max}$	maximum water loss	g
$D_{max,95}$	maximum water loss to protect 95 % of the working population	g
$dS_i$	body heat storage at the time $i$	W·m <sup>-2</sup>
$dS_{eq}$	body heat storage rate due to increase of core temperature associated with the metabolic rate	W·m <sup>-2</sup>
$E$	evaporative heat flow at the skin surface	W·m <sup>-2</sup>
$E_{max}$	maximum evaporative heat flow at the skin surface	W·m <sup>-2</sup>
$E_p$	predicted evaporative heat flow at the skin surface	W·m <sup>-2</sup>
$E_{req}$	required evaporative heat flow at the skin surface	W·m <sup>-2</sup>
$E_{res}$	respiratory evaporative heat flow	W·m <sup>-2</sup>
$f_{cl}$	clothing area factor	—
$F_r$	reflection coefficients for different special materials	—
$H_b$	body height	m
$h_{c,dyn}$	dynamic convective heat transfer coefficient	W·m <sup>-2</sup> ·K <sup>-1</sup>
$h_r$	radiative heat transfer coefficient	W·m <sup>-2</sup> ·K <sup>-1</sup>
$i_{a,r}$	resultant boundary layer thermal insulation	m <sup>2</sup> ·K·W <sup>-1</sup>
$i_a$	static (or basic) boundary layer thermal insulation	m <sup>2</sup> ·K·W <sup>-1</sup>
$i_{cl,r}$	resultant clothing thermal insulation	m <sup>2</sup> ·K·W <sup>-1</sup>
$i_{cl}$	static (or basic) clothing thermal insulation	m <sup>2</sup> ·K·W <sup>-1</sup>
$i_{m,r}$	resultant moisture permeability index	—
$i_m$	static (or basic) moisture permeability index	—
$incr$	time increment from time $t_{i-1}$ to time $t_i$	min
$I_{T,r}$	resultant total clothing thermal insulation	m <sup>2</sup> ·K·W <sup>-1</sup>
$I_T$	static (or basic) total clothing thermal insulation	m <sup>2</sup> ·K·W <sup>-1</sup>
$K$	conductive heat flow	W·m <sup>-2</sup>
$k_{sw}$	time constant of the increase of the sweat rate	min
$k_{tcreq}$	time constant of the variation of the core temperature as function of the metabolic rate	min
$k_{tsk}$	time constant of the variation of the skin temperature	min
$M$	metabolic rate	W·m <sup>-2</sup>

$\rho_a$	water vapour partial pressure at air temperature	kPa
$\rho_{sk,s}$	saturated water vapour pressure at skin temperature	kPa
$R$	radiative heat flow	$W \cdot m^{-2}$
$R_{e,T,r}$	resultant clothing total water vapour resistance	$m^2 \cdot Pa \cdot W^{-1}$
$r_{req}$	required evaporative efficiency of sweating	—
$S$	body heat storage rate	$W \cdot m^{-2}$
$S_{eq}$	body heat storage for increase of core temperature associated with the metabolic rate	$W \cdot m^{-2}$
$SW_{max}$	maximum sweat rate capacity	$W \cdot m^{-2}$
$SW_p$	predicted sweat rate	$W \cdot m^{-2}$
$SW_{p,i}$	predicted sweat rate at time $t_i$	$W \cdot m^{-2}$
$SW_{p,i-1}$	predicted sweat rate at time $t_{i-1}$	$W \cdot m^{-2}$
$SW_{req}$	required sweat rate	$W \cdot m^{-2}$
$t$	time	min
$t_a$	air temperature	$^{\circ}C$
$t_{cl}$	clothing surface temperature	$^{\circ}C$
$t_{cr}$	core temperature	$^{\circ}C$
$t_{cr,eq}$	steady state core temperature as a function of the metabolic rate	$^{\circ}C$
$t_{cr,eq,i}$	core temperature as a function of the metabolic rate at time $t_i$	$^{\circ}C$
$t_{cr,eq,i-1}$	core temperature as a function of the metabolic rate at time $t_{i-1}$	$^{\circ}C$
$t_{cr,eq,m}$	steady state value of core temperature as a function of the metabolic rate	$^{\circ}C$
$t_{cr,i}$	core temperature at time $t_i$	$^{\circ}C$
$t_{cr,i-1}$	core temperature at time $t_{i-1}$	$^{\circ}C$
$t_{ex}$	expired air temperature	$^{\circ}C$
$t_r$	mean radiant temperature	$^{\circ}C$
$t_{re}$	rectal temperature	$^{\circ}C$
$t_{re,max}$	maximum rectal temperature	$^{\circ}C$
$t_{re,i}$	rectal temperature at time $t_i$	$^{\circ}C$
$t_{re,i-1}$	rectal temperature at time $t_{i-1}$	$^{\circ}C$
$t_{sk}$	skin temperature	$^{\circ}C$
$t_{sk,eq}$	steady state mean skin temperature	$^{\circ}C$
$t_{sk,eq,cl}$	steady state mean skin temperature for clothed person	$^{\circ}C$
$t_{sk,eq,nu}$	steady state mean skin temperature for nude person	$^{\circ}C$
$t_{sk,i}$	mean skin temperature at time $t_i$	$^{\circ}C$
$t_{sk,i-1}$	mean skin temperature at time $t_{i-1}$	$^{\circ}C$
$V_{ex}$	expired volume flow rate	$L \cdot min^{-1}$
$v_a$	air velocity	$m \cdot s^{-1}$
$v_{ar}$	relative air velocity	$m \cdot s^{-1}$
$v_w$	walking speed	$m \cdot s^{-1}$
$w$	skin wettedness	—
$W$	effective mechanical power	$W \cdot m^{-2}$
$W_a$	humidity ratio of inhaled air	$kg_{water}/kg_{air}$
$W_b$	body mass	kg
$W_{ex}$	humidity ratio of expired air	$kg_{water}/kg_{air}$
$w_{max}$	maximum skin wettedness	—
$w_p$	predicted skin wettedness	—
$w_{req}$	required skin wettedness	—

## 5 Principles of the predicted heat strain (PHS) model

The PHS model is based on the thermal energy balance of the body which requires the values of the following parameters, which are estimated or measured according to ISO 7726 :

- a) the parameters of the thermal environment :
  - air temperature,  $t_a$  ;
  - mean radiant temperature,  $t_r$  ;
  - water vapour partial pressure,  $p_a$  ; and
  - air velocity,  $v_a$  .
- b) the metabolic rate,  $M$ , as measured or estimated using ISO 8996 or other methods of equal or greater accuracy ;
- c) the static clothing thermal characteristics, as measured or estimated using ISO 9920 or other methods of equal or greater accuracy.

Clause 6 describes the principles of the calculation of the different heat exchanges occurring in the heat balance equation, as well as those of the water loss necessary for the maintenance of the thermal equilibrium of the body. The mathematical expressions given in Annex A shall be used for these calculations.

Clause 7 describes the method for interpreting the results from Clause 6, which leads to the determination of the predicted sweat rate, the predicted rectal temperature and the allowable exposure times. The determination of the allowable exposure times is based on two strain criteria : maximum rectal temperature increase and maximum body water loss, given in Annex B.

The accuracy with which the predicted sweat rate and the exposure times are estimated is a function of the model (i.e. of the expressions in Annex A) and the maximum values which are adopted. It is also a function of the accuracy of estimation and measurement of the physical parameters and of the accuracy with which the metabolic rate and the thermal insulation of the clothing are estimated.

## 6 Main steps of the calculation

### 6.1 Heat balance equation

The thermal energy balance of the human body can be written as Equation (1) :

$$M - W = C_{res} + E_{res} + K + C + R + E + S \quad (1)$$

This equation expresses that the internal heat production of the body, which corresponds to the metabolic rate,  $M$ , minus the effective mechanical power,  $W$ , are balanced by the heat exchanges in the respiratory tract by convection,  $C_{res}$ , and evaporation,  $E_{res}$ , as well as by the heat exchanges on the skin by conduction,  $K$ , convection,  $C$ , radiation,  $R$ , and evaporation,  $E$ .

If the balance is not satisfied, some energy is stored in the body,  $S$ .

The different terms of Equation (1) are successively reviewed in 6.1.1 to 6.1.10 in terms of the principles of calculation (normative expressions for the computations are provided in Annex A).

#### 6.1.1 Metabolic rate, $M$

The estimation or measurement of the metabolic rate is described in ISO 8996. Indications for the evaluation of the metabolic rate are given in Annex C.

#### 6.1.2 Effective mechanical power, $W$

In most industrial situations, the effective mechanical power is small and can be neglected.

### 6.1.3 Heat flow by respiratory convection, $C_{res}$

The heat flow by respiratory convection may be expressed, in principle, by Equation (2) :

$$C_{res} = 0,000\ 02c_p \times V_{ex} \times \left( \frac{t_{ex} - t_a}{A_{Du}} \right) \quad (2)$$

### 6.1.4 Heat flow by respiratory evaporation, $E_{res}$

The heat flow by respiratory evaporation can be expressed, in principle, by Equation (3) :

$$E_{res} = 0,000\ 02c_e \times V_{ex} \times \left( \frac{W_{ex} - W_a}{A_{Du}} \right) \quad (3)$$

### 6.1.5 Heat flow by conduction, $K$

Heat flow by thermal conduction occurs on the body surfaces in contact with solid objects. It is usually quite small and ignored.

Note : ISO 13732-1<sup>[6]</sup> deals specifically with the risks of pain and burns when parts of the body contact hot surfaces.

### 6.1.6 Heat flow by convection, $C$

The heat flow by convection on the bare skin may be expressed by Equation (4) :

$$C = h_c \times (t_{sk} - t_a) \quad (4)$$

For clothed person, the heat flow by convection occurs at the surface of the clothing and is expressed by Equation (5) :

$$C = h_c \times f_{cl} \times (t_{cl} - t_a) \quad (5)$$

Annex D provides some indications for the evaluation of the clothing thermal characteristics.

### 6.1.7 Heat flow by radiation, $R$

The heat flow by radiation may be expressed by Equation (6) :

$$R = h_r \times f_{cl} \times (t_{cl} - t_a) \quad (6)$$

where  $h_r$  is the radiative heat transfer coefficient and takes into account the clothing characteristics, (e.g. emissivity and the presence of reflective clothing) and the effective radiating area of the person related to the posture (e.g. standing, seated, crouching person).

### 6.1.8 Heat flow by evaporation, $E$

The maximum evaporative heat flow,  $E_{max}$ , is that which can be achieved in the hypothetical case of the skin being completely wetted. In these conditions, Equation (7) applies :

$$E_{max} = \frac{p_{sk,s} - p_a}{R_{e,T,r}} \quad (7)$$

where the dynamic clothing total water vapour resistance,  $R_{e,T,r}$ , takes into account the clothing characteristics as well as the movements of the person and the air.

The actual evaporation heat flow,  $E$ , depends upon the fraction,  $w$ , of the skin surface wetted by sweat and is given by Equation (8) :

$$E = w \times E_{\max} \quad (8)$$

### 6.1.9 Heat storage for increase of core temperature associated with the metabolic rate, $dS_{\text{eq}}$

Even in a neutral environment, the core temperature rises towards a steady state value,  $t_{\text{cr,eq}}$ , as a function of the metabolic rate.

The core temperature reaches this steady state temperature exponentially with time. The heat storage associated with the increase from time  $t_{i-1}$  to time  $t_i$ ,  $dS_{\text{eq}}$ , does not contribute to the onset of sweating and should therefore be deducted from Equation (1).

### 6.1.10 Heat storage, $S$

The heat storage of the body is given by the algebraic sum of the heat flows defined previously.

## 6.2 Calculation of the required evaporative heat flow, the required skin wettedness and the required sweat rate

Because conduction (K) is ignored as a significant avenue of heat exchange, the general Equation (1) can be written as Equation (9) :

$$E + S = M - W - C_{\text{res}} - E_{\text{res}} - C - R \quad (9)$$

The required evaporative heat flow,  $E_{\text{req}}$ , is the evaporation heat flow required for the maintenance of the thermal equilibrium of the body and, therefore, for the body heat storage rate to be equal to zero. It is given by Equation (10) :

$$E_{\text{req}} = M - W - C_{\text{res}} - E_{\text{res}} - C - R \quad (10)$$

The required skin wettedness,  $w_{\text{req}}$ , is the ratio between the required evaporative heat flow and the maximum evaporative heat flow at the skin surface :

$$w_{\text{req}} = \frac{E_{\text{req}}}{E_{\max}} \quad (11)$$

The calculation of the required sweat rate,  $SW_{\text{req}}$ , is made on the basis of the required evaporative heat flow, but taking account of the evaporative efficiency of the sweating,  $r_{\text{req}}$  as follows in Equation 12 :

$$SW_{\text{req}} = \frac{E_{\text{req}}}{r_{\text{req}}} \quad (12)$$

NOTE : The sweat rate in  $W \cdot m^{-2}$  represents the equivalent in heat of the sweat rate expressed in  $g \cdot m^{-2} \cdot h^{-1}$ .  $1 W \cdot m^{-2}$  corresponds to a flow of sweat of  $1,47 g \cdot m^{-2} \cdot h^{-1}$  or  $2,67 g \cdot h^{-1}$  for a standard person ( $1,8 m^2$  of body surface).

## 7 Interpretation of required sweat rate

### 7.1 Basis of the method of interpretation

The interpretation of the values calculated by the recommended analytical method is based on :

- two stress criteria (see 7.1.1) :
  - the maximum skin wettedness  $w_{\max}$ ;
  - the maximum sweat rate  $SW_{\max}$ ;

- two strain criteria (see 7.1.2) :
  - the maximum rectal temperature  $t_{re, max}$
  - the maximum water loss  $D_{max}$ .

### 7.1.1 Stress criteria

The required sweat rate,  $SW_{req}$ , cannot exceed the maximum sweat rate,  $SW_{max}$ , achievable by the person. The required skin wettedness,  $w_{req}$ , cannot exceed the maximum skin wettedness,  $w_{max}$ , achievable by the person. These two maximum values are a function of the acclimatization of the person.

### 7.1.2 Strain criteria

In the case of non-equilibrium of the thermal balance, the rectal temperature increase should be limited at a maximum value,  $t_{re, max}$ , such that the probability of any acute pathological effect due to heat stress is extremely limited. Finally, whatever the thermal balance, the water loss should be restricted to a value,  $D_{max}$ , compatible with fluid and electrolyte maintenance by the body.

### 7.1.3 Reference values

Annex B includes reference values for the stress criteria ( $w_{max}$  and  $SW_{max}$ ) and the strain criteria ( $t_{re, max}$  and  $D_{max}$ ).  $w_{max}$ ,  $SW_{max}$  and  $D_{max}$  values are a function of the acclimatization state of the person.

## 7.2 Analysis of the work situation

Heat exchanges are computed at time,  $t_i$ , from the body conditions existing at the previous computation time,  $t_{i-1}$ , and as a function of the current climatic, metabolic rate and clothing conditions during the time increment.

The steps are :

- the required evaporative heat flow,  $E_{req}$ , skin wettedness,  $w_{req}$ , and sweat rate,  $SW_{req}$ , are first computed;
- from these, the predicted sweat rate,  $SW_p$ , skin wettedness,  $w_p$ , and evaporative heat flow,  $E_p$ , are computed considering the stress criteria ( $E_{max}$ ,  $w_{max}$  and  $SW_{max}$ ) as well as the exponential response of the sweating system;
- the rate of heat storage is estimated by the difference between the required and predicted evaporative heat flow;
- the stored heat contributes to the increase or decrease in the skin and body temperatures is estimated ;
- body and core temperature are estimated; and
- from these values, the heat exchanges during the time increment are computed.

The evolutions of  $SW_p$ ,  $t_{cr}$  and  $t_{re}$  are in this way iteratively computed.

### 7.3 Determination of allowable exposure time, $D_{lim}$

The allowable exposure time,  $D_{lim}$ , is reached when either the predicted rectal temperature ( $t_{re}$ ) or the predicted cumulated water loss reaches the corresponding maximum values.

In work situations for which either :

- the maximum evaporative heat flow at the skin surface,  $E_{max}$ , is negative, leading to condensation of water vapour on the skin; or
- the estimated allowable exposure time is less than 30 min,

special precautionary measures need to be taken and direct, and individual physiological supervision of the persons is particularly necessary. The conditions for carrying out this surveillance and the measuring techniques to be used are described in ISO 9886.

A computer programme in BASIC is given in Annex E, which allows for the calculation and the interpretation of any condition where the metabolic rate, the clothing thermal characteristics and the climatic parameters are known.

Annex F provides some data (input data and results) to be used for the validation of any computer programme developed on the basis of the model presented in Annex A.

## Annex A

### Data necessary for the computation of thermal balance

#### A.1 Ranges of validity

The numerical values and the equations given in this annex conform to the state of knowledge at the time of publication. Some are likely to be amended in the light of increased knowledge.

The algorithms described in this annex were validated on a database of 747 lab experiments and 366 field experiments from 8 European research institutions<sup>[12]</sup>. Table A.1 gives the ranges of conditions for which the predicted heat strain (PHS) model can be considered to be validated. When one or more parameters are outside this range, this model should be used with care and special attention given to the people exposed.

Table A.1 — Ranges of validity of the PHS model

Parameters	Units	Minimum	Maximum
$t_a$	°C	15	50
$p_a$	kPa	0,5	4,5
$t_r - t_a$	°C	0	60
$v_a$	ms <sup>-1</sup>	0	3
$M$	W·m <sup>-2</sup>	56	250
$I_{cl,st}$	clo	0,1	1,0

The time increment used during this validation study was equal to 1 min. The model has not been validated for times in excess of 480 minutes.

#### A.2 Determination of the heat flow by respiratory convection, $C_{res}$

The heat flow by respiratory convection can be estimated by Equation (A.1) :

$$C_{res} = 0,00152 M (28,56 - 0,885 t_a + 0,641 p_a) \quad (A.1)$$

#### A.3 Determination of the heat flow by respiratory evaporation, $E_{res}$

The heat flow by respiratory evaporation can be estimated by Equation (A.2) :

$$E_{res} = 0,00127 M (59,34 + 0,53 t_a - 11,63 p_a) \quad (A.2)$$

#### A.4 Determination of the steady state mean skin temperature

In climatic conditions for which this document is applicable, the steady state mean skin temperature can be estimated as a function of the parameters of the working situation, using Equations (A.3) and (A.4).

— For  $I_{cl} \leq 0,2$  clo :

$$t_{sk,eq,nu} = 7,19 + 0,064 t_a + 0,061 t_r - 0,348 v_a + 0,198 p_a + 0,616 t_{re} \quad (A.3)$$

— For  $I_{cl} \geq 0,6$  clo :

$$t_{sk,eq,cl} = 12,17 + 0,02 t_a + 0,04 t_r - 0,253 v_a + 0,194 p_a + 0,00535 M + 0,513 t_{re} \quad (A.4)$$

For  $I_{cl}$  values between 0,2 and 0,6, the steady state skin temperature is interpolated between these two values using Equation (A.5) :

$$t_{sk,eq} = t_{sk,eq,nu} + 2,5 \times (t_{sk,eq,cl} - t_{sk,eq,nu}) \times (I_{cl,st} - 0,2) \quad (A.5)$$

## A.5 Determination of the instantaneous value of skin temperature

The skin temperature,  $t_{sk,i}$ , at time  $t_i$  can be estimated from :

- the skin temperature,  $t_{sk,i-1}$ , at time  $t_{i-1}$  one minute earlier; and
- the steady state skin temperature,  $t_{sk,eq}$ , predicted from the conditions existing during the last minute by Equation (A.5).

The time constant of the response of the skin temperature being equal to 3 min, Equations (A.6) and (A.7) are used :

$$t_{sk,i} = k_{tsk} \times t_{sk,i-1} + (1 - k_{tsk}) \times t_{sk,eq} \quad (A.6)$$

$$\text{where } k_{tsk} = \exp(-1/3) \quad (A.7)$$

## A.6 Determination of the heat accumulation associated with the metabolic rate, $dS_{eq}$

In a neutral environment, the core temperature increases as a function of metabolic rate. For an average person, equilibrium core temperature is related to metabolic rate according to Equation (A.8) :

$$t_{cr,eq} = 0,0036 \cdot (M - 55) + 36,8 \quad (A.8)$$

The core temperature reaches this equilibrium core temperature following a first order system with a time constant equal to 10 min. At time  $i$ , it is estimated using Equations (A.9) and (A.10) :

$$t_{cr,eq,i} = k_{tcr} \times t_{cr,eq,i-1} + (1 - k_{tcr}) \times t_{cr,eq} \quad (A.9)$$

where

$$k_{tcr} = \exp(-1/10) \quad (A.10)$$

The heat storage associated with this increase is given by Equation (A.11) :

$$dS_{eq} = c_{p,b} \times W_b / (A_{Du} \times 60) \times (t_{cr,eq,i} - t_{cr,eq,i-1}) \times (1 - \alpha_{i-1}) \quad (A.11)$$

## A.7 Determination of the static insulation characteristics of clothing

For a nude person and in static conditions without movements either of the air or of the person, the sensible heat exchanges ( $C + R$ ) can be estimated by Equation (A.12) :

$$C + R = \frac{t_{sk} - t_a}{I_T} \quad (A.12)$$

For a clothed person, this static heat resistance,  $I_{tot,st}$ , can be estimated using Equation (A.13) :

$$I_T = I_{cl} + \frac{I_a}{f_{cl}} \quad (A.13)$$

where

- $I_a$  can be estimated as  $0.111 \text{ m}^2 \text{ K} \cdot \text{W}^{-1}$ ;

— the clothing area factor,  $f_{cl}$ , is given by Equation (A.14) :

$$f_{cl} = 1 + 1.97 \cdot I_{cl} \quad (A.14)$$

## A.8 Determination of the resultant (or dynamic) insulation characteristics of clothing

Activity and ventilation modify the insulation characteristics of the clothing and the adjacent air layer. Because both wind and movement reduce the insulation, this needs to be corrected. The correction factor  $Corr, I_T$  can be estimated with Equations (A.15) and (A.16) :

— for a nude person ( $I_{cl, st} = 0$ ) :

$$Corr, I_T = Corr, I_a = e^{[(0,047 v_{ar} - 0,472) v_{ar} + (0,117 V_w - 0,342) V_w]} \quad (A.15)$$

— for a person wearing clothes with  $I_{cl, st} > 0.6$  clo :

$$Corr, I_T = Corr, I_{cl} = e^{[0,043 + (0,066 V_{ar} - 0,398) V_{ar} + (0,094 V_w - 0,378) V_w]} \quad (A.16)$$

with the relative air velocity,  $v_{ar}$ , limited to  $3 \text{ m s}^{-1}$  and the walking speed,  $v_w$ , limited to  $1.5 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ .

When the walking speed is undefined or the person is stationary, the value for  $v_w$  can be calculated with Equation (A.17) :

$$v_w = 0,0052 (M - 58) \quad \text{with } v_w \leq 0,7 \text{ m.s}^{-1} \quad (A.17)$$

For conditions with  $I_{cl}$  between 0 and 0.6 clo, the correction factor is estimated by interpolation between these two values, by Equations (A.18) to (A.21) :

$$Corr, I_T = [(0,6 - I_{cl}) \times Corr, I_a + I_{cl} \times Corr, I_{cl}] / 0.6 \quad (A.18)$$

In any case, this correction factor is limited to 1.

Finally, resultant (or dynamic) thermal insulation values are calculated as :

$$I_{a,r} = Corr, I_a \times I_a \quad (A.19)$$

$$I_{T,r} = Corr, I_T \times I_T \quad (A.20)$$

$$I_{cl,r} = I_{T,r} - \frac{I_{a,r}}{f_{cl}} \quad (A.21)$$

## A.9 Estimation of the heat exchanges through convection and radiation

The dry heat exchanges can be estimated using Equations (A.22) to (A.26) :

$$C + R = f_{cl} \times [h_c \times (t_{cl} - t_a) + h_r \times (t_{cl} - t_r)] \quad (A.22)$$

which describes the heat exchanges between the clothing and the environment, and :

$$C + R = \left( \frac{t_{sk} - t_{cl}}{I_{cl,r}} \right) \quad (A.23)$$

which describes the heat exchanges between the skin and the clothing surface.

The convective heat transfer coefficient,  $h_c$ , can be estimated as the greatest value of :

$$2.38|t_{cl} - t_a|^{0.25} \quad (A.24)$$

$$3.5 + 5.2V_{ar} \quad (A.25)$$

$$8.7V_{ar}^{0.6} \quad (A.26)$$

The radiative heat exchange coefficient,  $h_r$ , can be estimated using Equation (A.27) :

$$h_r = \varepsilon \times \sigma \times \frac{A_r}{A_{Du}} \times \frac{(t_{cl} + 273)^4 - (t_r + 273)^4}{t_{cl} - t_r} \quad (A.27)$$

where

- $\sigma$  is the Stefan-Boltzmann constant equal to  $5.67 \cdot 10^{-8} \text{ W} \cdot \text{m}^{-2} \cdot \text{K}^{-4}$ ; and
- $A_r/A_{Du}$  is the fraction of surface of the body involved in heat exchange by radiation, equal to 0,67 for a crouching person, 0,70 for a seated person and 0,77 for a standing person.

- $\varepsilon_{cl,r}$  is the emissivity of the outer clothed surface.

$\varepsilon_{cl,r} = \varepsilon_{cl}$  the emissivity of outer surface of ordinary clothing, when no reflective clothes are used. This emissivity is taken to be 0.97.

When a clothing with a reflection coefficient  $F_r$  is worn on a fraction  $A_p$  smaller than 50% of the body surface, the emissivity in Equation (A.27) should be calculated as :

$$\varepsilon_{cl,r} = (1 - A_p) \varepsilon_{cl} + A_p (1 - F_r) \quad (A.28)$$

As stated in Section 1. Scope, , this method of assessment is not applicable to cases where special protective clothing such as fully reflective clothing are worn.

Both Equations A.22 and A.23 should be solved iteratively in order to derive  $t_{cl}$ .

## A.10 Estimation of the maximum evaporative heat flow at the skin surface, $E_{max}$

The maximum evaporative heat flow at the skin surface is given by Equation (A.29) :

$$E_{max} = \frac{p_{sk,s} - p_a}{R_{e,T,r}} \quad (A.29)$$

The resultant (or dynamic) clothing total water vapour resistance,  $R_{e,T,r}$ , is estimated from Equations (A.30) to (A.32) :

$$R_{e,T,r} = \frac{I_{T,r}}{16.7i_{m,r}} \quad (A.30)$$

where the dynamic clothing permeability index,  $i_{m,r}$ , is equal to the static clothing permeability index,  $i_m$ , corrected for the influence of air and body movement.

$$i_{m,r} = i_m \times Corr_{i_m} \quad (A.31)$$

with :

$$Corr_{i_m} = 2,6 Corr_{I_T^2} - 6,5 Corr_{I_T} + 4,9 \quad (A.32)$$

In this Equation,  $i_{m,r}$  is limited to 0,9.

## A.11 Determination of the predicted sweat rate, $SW_p$ , and the predicted evaporative heat flow at the skin surface, $E_p$

The flow chart in Figure A.1 shows how the evaluations are performed. It requires the following explanations.

1) A greater skin wettedness is associated with (in fact, the result of) a lower evaporative efficiency. The required evaporative efficiency decreases from 100 % to 50 % as the skin wettedness increases to 100 %. When the required evaporative heat flow,  $E_{req}$ , is greater than the maximum evaporative heat flow at the skin surface, the required wettedness,  $w_{req}$ , estimated from expression (11) is greater than 1, and the evaporation efficiency,  $r_{req}$ , is expected to become lower than 0,5.

$r_{req}$  is then computed from  $w_{req}$  using the following expressions :

— for  $w_{req} \leq 1$ , the efficiency is given by Equation (A.33) :

$$r_{req} = 1 - w_{req}^2 / 2 \quad (A.33)$$

— for  $w_{req} > 1$ , the efficiency is given by Equation (A.34) :

$$r_{req} = \frac{(2 - w_{req})^2}{2} \quad (A.34)$$

— if  $r_{req} < 0.05$ ,  $r_{req}$  is set to 0.05

In any case, the required sweat rate  $SW_{req}$  may not be greater than  $SW_{max}$

2) The sweat rate response can be described by a first order system with a time constant of 10 min. Therefore, the predicted sweat rate at time  $t_i$  is given by Equations (A.35) and (A.36) :

$$SW_{p,i} = k_{SW} \times SW_{p,i-1} + (1 - k_{SW}) \times SW_{req} \quad (A.35)$$

$$\text{where } k_{SW} = \exp(-1/10) \quad (A.36)$$

3) As explained in item 1), the *required* skin wettedness,  $w_{req}$ , is allowed to be theoretically greater than 1 for the computation of the required sweat rate,  $SW_{req}$ . As the evaporative heat loss is restricted to the surface of the water layer, that is, the surface of the body, the *predicted* skin wettedness,  $w_p$ , cannot be greater than one. The evaporative efficiency is then equal to 0,5 and the *predicted* sweat rate,  $SW_p$ , is equal to twice the maximum evaporation heat flow,  $E_{max}$ .

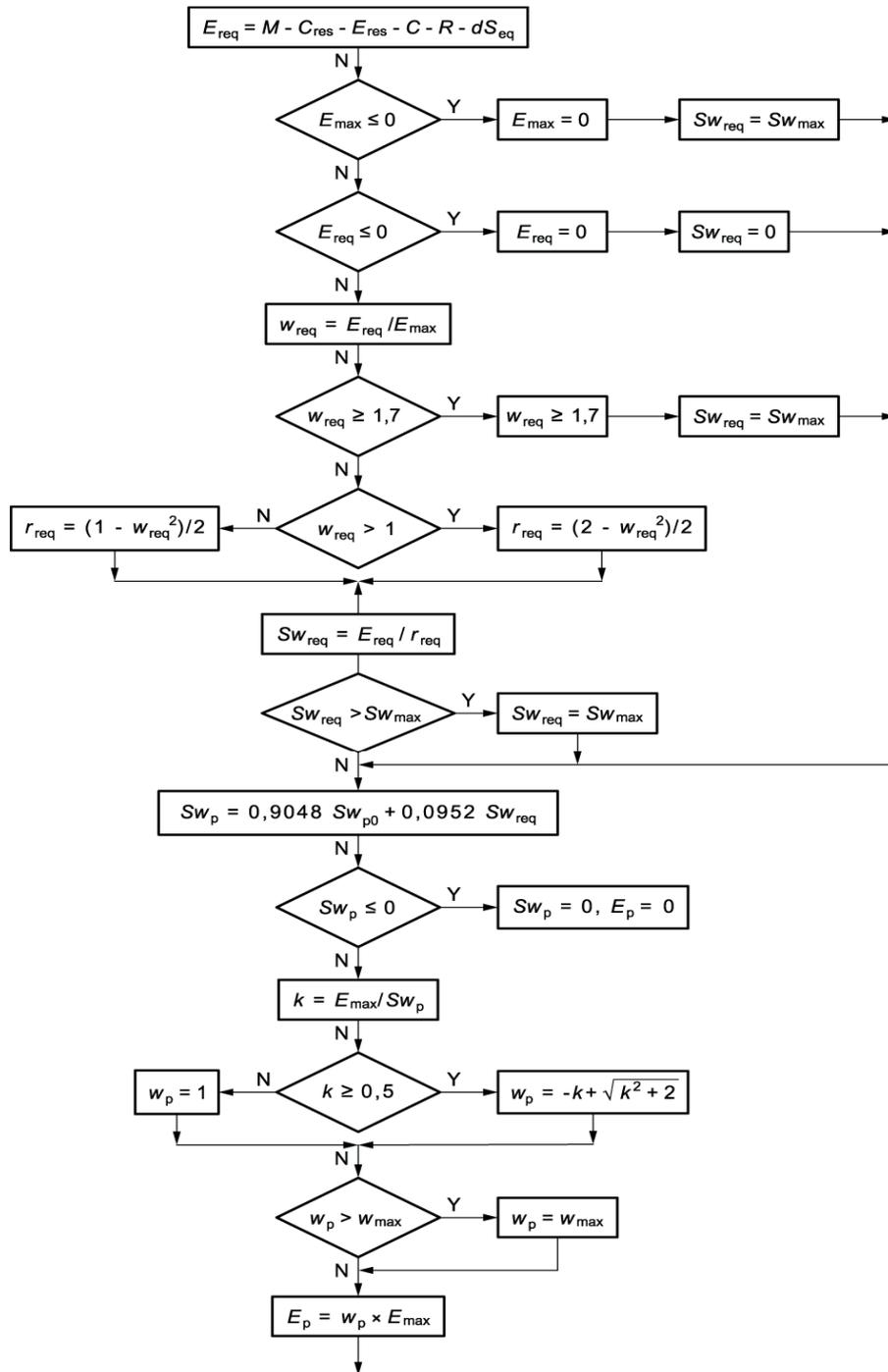


Figure A.1 – Flow chart for the determination of the predicted sweat rate,  $SW_p$ , and the predicted evaporative heat flow rate  $E_p$

## A.12 Evaluation of the rectal temperature

The heat storage during the last time increment at time,  $t_i$ , is given by Equation (A.37) :

$$dS_i = E_{\text{req}} - E_p + dS_{\text{eq}i} \quad (\text{A.37})$$

This heat storage leads to an increase in core temperature, taking into account the increase in skin temperature. The fraction of the body mass at the mean core temperature is given by Equation (A.38) :

$$(1 - \alpha) = 0,7 + 0,09 (t_{\text{cr}} - 36,8) \quad (\text{A.38})$$

This fraction is limited to :

- 0,7 for  $t_{\text{cr}} \leq 36,8$  °C;
- 0,9 for  $t_{\text{cr}} \geq 39,0$  °C.

Then, the core temperature at time  $i$  may be computed using Equation (A.39) :

$$t_{\text{cr},i} = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{\alpha_i}{2}} \left[ \frac{dS_i \times A_{\text{du}} \times 60}{c_{\text{sp}} \times W_b} + t_{\text{cr},i-1} - \frac{t_{\text{cr},i-1} - t_{\text{sk},i-1}}{2} \alpha_{i-1} - t_{\text{sk},i} \frac{\alpha_i}{2} \right] \quad (\text{A.39})$$

The rectal temperature is estimated according to Equation (40) :

$$t_{\text{re},i} = t_{\text{re},i-1} + \frac{2t_{\text{cr},i} - 1,926t_{\text{re},i-1} - 1,31}{9} \quad (\text{A.40})$$

## Annex B

### Criteria for estimating acceptable exposure time in a hot work environment

#### B.1 General

The physiological criteria used for determining the maximum allowable exposure time are the following :

- acclimatized and unacclimatized persons in good health and fit for assigned duties;
- a maximum skin wettedness,  $w_{max}$ ;
- a maximum sweat rate capacity,  $SW_{max}$ ;
- protection of 95 % of the working population based on predicted rectal temperature and dehydration;
- a maximum water loss,  $D_{max}$ ;
- a maximum acceptable rectal temperature,  $t_{re,max}$ .

#### B.2 Acclimatized and unacclimatized persons

Acclimatized persons are able to sweat more abundantly, more uniformly on their body surface and earlier than unacclimatized persons. In a given work situation, this results in lower heat storage (lower core temperature) and lower cardiovascular strain (lower heart rate). In addition, acclimatized persons are known to lose less salt through sweating and therefore to be able to endure a greater water loss.

This distinction between acclimatized and unacclimatized is therefore essential. Acclimatization state is accounted for in  $w_{max}$ , and  $SW_{max}$ .

When the state of acclimatization is uncertain, the person is assumed to be unacclimatized.

#### B.3 Maximum skin wettedness, $w_{max}$

The maximum skin wettedness is set to 0,85 for an unacclimatized person and to 1,0 for an acclimatized person.

#### B.4 Maximum sweat rate, $SW_{max}$

For this standard, maximum sweat rate capacity is  $400 \text{ W}\cdot\text{m}^{-2}$  for unacclimatized persons and  $500 \text{ W}\cdot\text{m}^{-2}$  for acclimatized persons. This corresponds to possible productions of 1 and 1,25 litres maximum of sweat per hour, respectively.

#### B.5 Maximum dehydration and water loss

A 3 % dehydration induces an increased heart rate and depressed sweating sensitivity and is therefore adopted as the maximum dehydration for occupational exposures (not for specially trained persons in the military and sports).

For exposures lasting 4 h to 8 h, the rehydration rate is greater than 40 % in 95 % of the cases.

Based on these values, the maximum allowable water loss to protect 95 % of the working population ( $D_{max}$ ) is set at 5 % of the body mass when people can drink freely. If no water is provided, the total water loss should be limited to 3 %.

#### B.6 Maximum value of rectal temperature

The WHO technical report No. 412 (1969)<sup>[7]</sup> underlined the importance of limiting deep body temperature. During the development of PHS, a  $38^{\circ}\text{C}$  prediction criterion was confirmed as a population-based goal <sup>[11]</sup>. When the average rectal temperature is equal to  $38^{\circ}\text{C}$  for a group of persons in given working conditions, it can be estimated that the probability for a particular individual to reach higher rectal temperatures is limited as follows :

- for  $42,0^{\circ}\text{C}$  : less than  $10^{-7}$  (less than once every 4 years among 1 000 persons) (250 days per year);

- for 39,2°C : less than  $10^{-4}$  (less than one person at risk among 1 000 shifts).

When this limit value of 38.0°C was used in the validation study, it was confirmed that 95% of the exposures resulted in observed rectal temperatures below 39°C [12].

## Annex C Metabolic rate

ISO 8996 describes methods for estimating the metabolic rate. These methods are classified in 4 levels of increasing accuracy.

Level 1, *Screening*: a method simple and easy to quickly classify as light, moderate, high or very high the mean workload according to the kind of activity.

Level 2, *Observation*: a time-and-motion study to characterize, on average, a working situation at a specific time. This method can be used by people with full knowledge of the working conditions but without necessarily any training in ergonomics.

Level 3, *Analysis*: a method to estimate the metabolic rate from a heart rate recording over a representative period of time. This method is addressed to people trained in occupational health and ergonomics of the thermal environment.

Level 4, *Expertise*: three methods requiring very specific measurements made by experts :

- oxygen consumption measurement;
- doubly labelled water method; and
- direct calorimetry method.

While the screening method described in ISO 7243 <sup>[3]</sup> (WBGT index) for establishing the presence or absence of heat stress in a given thermal environment can settle for the method of Level 1 for estimating the metabolic rate, only methods of higher accuracy are compatible with the predicted heat strain model described in this document. The use of the Level 3 method based on heart rate recordings including the mandatory correction for thermal effects on heart rate is highly recommended.

It should be noted that, while the methods presented at ISO 8996 make it possible to evaluate the metabolic rate in watts, the PHS model is calculating the heat exchanges in watts per square meter of body surface. The metabolic rate to be used in the formulas in Annex A should therefore be the value given in watts by the procedures from ISO 8996 divided by the body surface area  $A_{Du}$ .

## Annex D Clothing thermal characteristics

### D.1 General

The thermal characteristics of the clothing to be considered are :

- thermal insulation;
- reflection of thermal radiation, and
- permeability to water vapour

### D.2 Clothing thermal insulation

The clothing thermal insulation unit used in the standard is  $\text{m}^2\cdot\text{K}\cdot\text{W}^{-1}$ . However, the clothing insulation is often more conveniently expressed in clo, 1 clo being equal to  $0,155 \text{ W}\cdot\text{m}^2\cdot\text{K}^{-1}$ .

Table D.1 gives the static clothing thermal insulation values in clo, for selected garment ensembles.

Table D.1 — Basic insulation values for selected garment ensembles

Garment ensembles	$I_{cl}$ clo
Briefs, short-sleeve shirt, fitted trousers, calf length socks, shoes	0,5
Underpants, shirt, fitted trousers, socks, shoes	0,6
Underpants, coverall, socks, shoes	0,7
Underpants, shirt, coverall, socks, shoes	0,8
Underpants, shirt, trousers, smock, socks, shoes	0,9
Briefs, undershirt, underpants, shirt, overalls, calf length socks, shoes	1,0
Underpants, undershirt, shirt, trousers, jacket, vest, socks, shoes	1,1

The resultant (or dynamic) clothing thermal insulation is used in the calculation. The equations for determination of the resultant (or dynamic) insulation characteristics of clothing are provided in A.8.

### D.3 Reflection of thermal radiation

Table C.2 gives the reflection coefficients,  $F_r$ , for different special materials coated with aluminium to reflect thermal radiation.

Table D.2 — Reflection coefficients,  $F_r$ , for different special materials

Material	Treatment	$F_r$
Cotton	with aluminium paint	0,58
Viscose	with glossy aluminium foil	0,81
Aramid (Kevlar)	with glossy aluminium foil	0,86
Wool	with glossy aluminium foil	0,87
Cotton	with glossy aluminium foil	0,96
Viscose	vacuum metallized with aluminium	0,94
Aramid	vacuum metallized with aluminium	0,96
Wool	vacuum metallized with aluminium	0,95
Cotton	vacuum metallized with aluminium	0,95
Glass fibre	vacuum metallized with aluminium	0,93

The reduction of radiative heat exchanges only occurs for the part of the body covered by the reflective clothing.

Table D.3 provides information to estimate the fraction,  $A_p$ , of the area of the body concerned.

Table D.3 — Ratio of the area of a part of the body to the total body surface

Area	$A_p$
Head and face	0,07
Thorax and abdomen	0,175
Back	0,175
Arms	0,14
Hands	0,05
Tights	0,19
Legs	0,13
Feet	0,07

#### D.4 Permeability to water vapour

The evaporative resistance of the clothing is strongly influenced by the permeability to water vapour of the material, which can be defined by the static moisture permeability index,  $i_m$ . For validation of this method, a value of  $i_m = 0,38$ , typical of woven clothing, was used.

## Annex E

### Computer programme for the computation of the predicted heat strain model

#### E.1 General

The correspondence between the symbols given in Table 1 and those used in the computer programme in E.2 are detailed in Table E.1.

Table E.1 — Correspondence between some symbols in Table 1 and those used in the computer programme

Symbol in the programme	Symbol
Ardu	$A_i/AD_u$
Conv	$C$
ConstSW	$k_{sw}$
ConstTeq	$k_{tcr}$
ConstTsk	$k_{tsk}$
CORcl	$Corr_{lcl}$
CORe	$Corr_{l_m}$
CORia	$Corr_{l_a}$
CORtot	$Corr_{l_T}$
dStorage	$dSi$
dStoreq	$dS_{eq}$
Eclr	$\mathcal{E}_{cl,r}$
Eveff	$r_{req}$
hc	$h_c$
height	$H_b$
ladyn	$l_{a,r}$
last	$l_a$
lcl	$l_{cl}$
lcldyn	$l_{cl,r}$
imdyn	$i_{m,r}$
imst	$i_m$
ltotdyn	$l_{T,r}$
ltotst	$l_T$
ConstTsk	$k_{tsk}$
ConstTeq	$k_{tcreq}$
ConstSw	$k_{swq}$
Met	$M$
Psk	$\rho_{sk,s}$
Rad	$R$
Rtdyn	$R_{e,T,r}$
SWp0	$SW_{p,i-1}$
Tcr	$t_{cr,i}$
Tcr0	$t_{cr,i-1}$
Tcreq	$t_{cr,eq,i}$
Tcreq0	$t_{cr,eq,i-1}$
Tcreqm	$t_{cr,eqm}$
Texp	$t_{ex}$
Theta	$\theta$
Tre	$t_{re,i}$
Tre0	$t_{re,i-1}$
Tsk	$t_{sk,i}$
Tsk0	$t_{sk,i-1}$

Tsreq	$t_{sk,eq}$
Tsreqcl	$t_{sk,eq,cl}$
Tsreqnu	$t_{sk,eq,nu}$
TskTcrwg	$\alpha_i$
TskTcrwg0	$\alpha_{i-1}$
Walksp	$V_w$
Weight	$W_b$
Work	$W$

## E.2 Programme

Note : For a certain range of exposure conditions, the model predicts a steady state rectal temperature near the 38°C limit. The thermal stress is obviously the same whether this steady state value is just below 38°C (in which case there is no limitation of the duration of exposure for heat accumulation) or slightly above (in which case the allowable exposure time could be short). In order to allow the user to be aware of these borderline situations and to make professional judgements regarding the duration of exposure, it is strongly recommended that the programmes not only provide the final values of accumulated water loss and rectal temperature, but make it possible to analyze, graphically or otherwise, the evolution of these parameters over time. This becomes essential when the exposure is variable over time.

' Predicted Heat Strain (PHS) model

' EXPONENTIAL AVERAGING CONSTANTS

ConstTeq = Exp(-1 / 10): ' Core temperature as a function of M: time constant: 10 min

ConstTsk = Exp(-1 / 3): ' Skin Temperature: time constant: 3 min

ConstSW = Exp(-1 / 10): ' Sweat rate: time constant: 10 min

' INPUT OF THE MEAN CHARACTERISTICS OF THE PERSONS

' The user must make sure at this point in the programme that the following parameters are available.

' Standard values must be replaced by actual values.

Weight = 75: ' Body mass kilogrammes

Height = 1.8: ' Body height metres

Accl = 1: ' =1 if acclimatized person, =0 otherwise

Drink = 1: ' Water replacement: =1 if the persons can drink freely, =0 otherwise

' COMPUTATION OF DERIVED PARAMETERS

Adu = 0.202 \* Weight ^ 0.425 \* Height ^ 0.725: ' Body surface area m<sup>2</sup>

aux = 3490 \* Weight / Adu: ' Heat for 1°C increase of the body per m<sup>2</sup> of body surface

SWmax = 400: If Accl = 1 Then SWmax = 500: ' Maximum evaporative capacity

wmax = 0.85: If Accl = 1 Then wmax = 1: ' Maximum wettedness

Dmax = 0.05 \* Weight \* 1000: ' Maximum water loss in grams

If Drink = 0 Then Dmax = 0.03 \* Weight \* 1000: ' if no free drinking

' INPUT OF THE PRIMARY PARAMETERS

' The user shall make sure that, at this point in the programme, the following parameters are available.

' In order for the user to test rapidly the programme, the data for the first case in Annex F of ISO 7933 (2020) are introduced.

Duration = 480: ' Duration of the work sequence, in minutes

Ta = 40: ' Air temperature, in °C

Tg = 40: ' Black globe temperature, in °C

Diam = 15: ' Diameter of the black globe, in cm

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Va = 0.3:          ' Air velocity, in metres per second
  Tr = ((Tg + 273) ^ 4 + 1.1579 * 10 ^ 8 / 0.95 / (Diam / 100) ^ 0.4 * Va ^ 0.6 * (Tg - Ta) ^ 0.25 - 273
RH = 35:          ' Relative humidity
' Partial water vapour pressure kilopascals
  Pa = 0.6105 * Exp(17.27 * Ta / (Ta + 237.3)) * RH / 100:
M = 300:          ' Metabolic rate, in watts
  Met = M / Adu:   ' Metabolic rate, in watts per square metre
Work = 0:         ' Effective mechanical power, in watts per square metre
lcl = 0.5:        ' Static thermal insulation, in clo
imst = 0.38:     ' Static moisture permeability index
Fr = 0.42        ' Reflection coefficient for different special materials

' Effective radiating area of the body
Posture = 1:      ' Posture = 1 standing, =2 sitting, =3 crouching
  If Posture = 1 Then Ardu = 0.77
  If Posture = 2 Then Ardu = 0.7
  If Posture = 3 Then Ardu = 0.67
' Reflective clothing
Ap = 0.54:        ' Fraction of the body surface covered by the reflective clothing
Ecl = 0.97:       ' Emissivity of the clothed body surface (by default: Ecl=0.97)
' Displacements
defspeed = 0:    ' =1 if walking speed entered, =0 otherwise
Walksp = 0:      ' Walking speed, m/s
defdir = 0:      ' =1 if walking direction entered, 0 otherwise
THETA = 0:       ' Angle between walking direction and wind direction degrees
' CLOTHING INFLUENCE ON EXCHANGE COEFFICIENTS
lclst = lcl * 0.155: ' Static clothing insulation
fcl = 1 + 0.3 * lcl: ' Clothing area factor
last = 0.111:    ' Static boundary layer thermal insulation in quiet air
ltotst = lclst + last / fcl: ' Total static insulation
' Relative velocities due to air velocity and movements
If defspeed > 0 Then
  If defdir = 1 Then
    Var = Abs(Va - Walksp * Cos(3.14159 * THETA / 180)): ' Unidirectional walking
  Else
    If Va < Walksp Then Var = Walksp Else Var = Va: ' Omni-directional walking
  End If
Else
  Walksp = 0.0052 * (Met - 58)
  If Walksp > 0.7 Then Walksp = 0.7: ' Stationary or undefined speed
  Var = Va
End If
' Dynamic clothing insulation
Vaux = Var: If Var > 3 Then Vaux = 3
Waux = Walksp: If Walksp > 1.5 Then Waux = 1.5
' Clothing insulation correction for wind (Var) and walking (Walksp)
CORcl = 1.044 * Exp((0.066 * Vaux - 0.398) * Vaux + (0.094 * Waux - 0.378) * Waux)

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    If CORcl > 1 Then CORcl = 1
    CORia = Exp((0.047 * Vaux - 0.472) * Vaux + (0.117 * Waux - 0.342) * Waux)
    If CORia > 1 Then CORia = 1
    CORtot = CORcl
    If lcl <= 0.6 Then CORtot = ((0.6 - lcl) * CORia + lcl * CORcl) / 0.6
    Itotdyn = Itotst * CORtot
    ladyn = CORia * last
    lcldyn = Itotdyn - ladyn / fcl
' Dynamic evaporative resistance
' Correction for wind and walking
    CORE = (2.6 * CORtot - 6.5) * CORtot + 4.9
    imdyn = imst * CORE: If imdyn > 0.9 Then imdyn = 0.9
    Rtdyn = Itotdyn / imdyn / 16.7
' INITIALISATION OF THE VARIABLES OF THE PROGRAMME
    Tre = 36.8: ' Initial rectal temperature, °C
    Tcr = 36.8: ' Initial core temperature, °C
    Tsk = 34.1: ' Initial skin temperature, °C
    Tcreq = 36.8: ' Initial core temperature associated to M, °C
    TskTcrwg = 0.3: ' Initial skin – core weighting
    SWp = 0: ' Initial sweat rate, W/m²
    SWtot = 0: ' Initial total sweat rate, W/m²
    Dlimtcr = 999: ' Allowable exposure time due to increase in temperature, min
    Dlimloss = 999: ' Allowable exposure time due to excessive water loss, min
' ITERATION OF THE PROGRAMME
For Time = 1 To Duration
' Initialisation min per min
' value at beginning of time i = final value at time (i-1)
    Tre0 = Tre: Tcr0 = Tcr: Tsk0 = Tsk: Tcreq0 = Tcreq: TskTcrwg0 = TskTcrwg
' Equilibrium core temperature associated to the metabolic rate
    Tcreqm = 0.0036 * Met + 36.6
' Core temperature at this minute, by exponential averaging
    Tcreq = Tcreq0 * ConstTeq + Tcreqm * (1 - ConstTeq)
' Heat storage associated with this core temperature increase during the last minute
    dStoreq = aux/60 * (Tcreq - Tcreq0) * (1 - TskTcrwg0)
' SKIN TEMPERATURE PREDICTION
' Skin Temperature in equilibrium
' Clothed model
    Tskeqcl = 12.165 + 0.02017 * Ta + 0.04361 * Tr + 0.19354 * Pa - 0.25315 * Va
    Tskeqcl = Tskeqcl + 0.005346 * Met + 0.51274 * Tre
' Nude model
    Tskeqnu = 7.191 + 0.064 * Ta + 0.061 * Tr + 0.198 * Pa - 0.348 * Va
    Tskeqnu = Tskeqnu + 0.616 * Tre
' Value at this minute, as a function of the clothing insulation
    If lcl >= 0.6 Then Tskeq = Tskeqcl: GoTo Tsk
    If lcl <= 0.2 Then Tskeq = Tskeqnu: GoTo Tsk
' Interpolation between the values for clothed and nude person, if 0.2 < clo < 0.6
    Tskeq = Tskeqnu + 2.5 * (Tskeqcl - Tskeqnu) * (lcl - 0.2)

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' Skin Temperature at this minute, by exponential averaging
Tsk:
  Tsk = Tsk0 * ConstTsk + Tskeq * (1 - ConstTsk)
  If Time = 1 Then Tsk = Tskeq
' Saturated water vapour pressure at the surface of the skin
  Psk = 0.6105 * Exp(17.27 * Tsk / (Tsk + 237.3))
' Mean temperature of the clothing: Tcl
  Z = 3.5 + 5.2 * Var
  If Var > 1 Then Z = 8.7 * Var ^ 0.6
  auxR = 0.0000000567 * Ardu
  Eclr = (1 - Ap) * 0.97 + Ap * (1 - Fr)
  Tcl = Tr + 0.1
Tcl:
' convection coefficient
  Hc = 2.38 * Abs(Tcl - Ta) ^ 0.25
  If Z > Hc Then Hc = Z
' Radiation coefficient
  HR = Eclr * auxR * ((Tcl + 273) ^ 4 - (Tr + 273) ^ 4) / (Tcl - Tr)
  Tcl1 = ((fcl * (Hc * Ta + HR * Tr) + Tsk / lcldyn)) / (fcl * (Hc + HR) + 1 / lcldyn)
  If Abs(Tcl - Tcl1) > 0.001 Then Tcl = (Tcl + Tcl1) / 2: GoTo Tcl
' HEAT EXCHANGES
  Texp = 28.56 + 0.115 * Ta + 0.641 * Pa: ' Temperature of the expired air
  Cres = 0.001516 * Met * (Texp - Ta): ' Heat exchanges through respiratory convection
  Eres = 0.00127 * Met * (59.34 + 0.53 * Ta - 11.63 * Pa): ' through respiratory evaporation
  Conv = fcl * Hc * (Tcl - Ta): ' Heat exchange through convection
  Rad = fcl * HR * (Tcl - Tr): ' Heat exchange through radiation
  Emax = (Psk - Pa) / Rtdyn: ' Maximum Evaporation Rate
  Ereq = Met - dStoreq - Work - Cres - Eres - Conv - Rad: ' Required Evaporation Rate
' INTERPRETATION
  wreq = Ereq / Emax: ' Required wettedness
' If no evaporation required: no sweat rate
  If Ereq <= 0 Then Ereq = 0: SWreq = 0: GoTo SWp
' If evaporation is not possible, sweat rate is maximum
  If Emax <= 0 Then Emax = 0: SWreq = SWmax: GoTo SWp
' If required wettedness greater than 1.7: sweat rate is maximum
  If wreq >= 1.7 Then wreq = 1.7: SWreq = SWmax: GoTo SWp
  Eveff = 1 - wreq ^ 2 / 2: ' Required evaporation efficiency
  If wreq > 1 Then Eveff = (2 - wreq) ^ 2 / 2
  SWreq = Ereq / Eveff: ' Required Sweat Rate
  If SWreq > SWmax Then SWreq = SWmax: ' limited to the maximum evaporative capacity
SWp:
' Predicted Sweat Rate, by exponential averaging
  SWp = SWp * ConstSW + SWreq * (1 - ConstSW)
  If SWp <= 0 Then Ep = 0: SWp = 0: GoTo Storage
' Predicted Evaporation Rate
  k = Emax / SWp
  wp = 1

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    If k >= 0.5 Then wp = -k + Sqr(k * k + 2)
    If wp > wmax Then wp = wmax
    Ep = wp * Emax
' Heat Storage
Storage:
    dStorage = Ereq - Ep + dStoreq
' PREDICTION OF THE CORE TEMPERATURE
    Tcr1 = Tcr0
TskTcr:
' Skin - Core weighting
    TskTcrwg = 0.3 - 0.09 * (Tcr1 - 36.8)
    If TskTcrwg > 0.3 Then TskTcrwg = 0.3
    If TskTcrwg < 0.1 Then TskTcrwg = 0.1
    Tcr = dStorage / (aux/60) + Tsk0 * TskTcrwg0 / 2 - Tsk * TskTcrwg / 2
    Tcr = (Tcr + Tcr0 * (1 - TskTcrwg0 / 2)) / (1 - TskTcrwg / 2)
    If Abs(Tcr - Tcr1) > 0.001 Then Tcr1 = (Tcr1 + Tcr) / 2: GoTo TskTcr
' PREDICTION OF THE RECTAL TEMPERATURE
    Tre = Tre0 + (2 * Tcr - 1.962 * Tre0 - 1.31) / 9
' TOTAL WATER LOSS RATE AFTER THE MINUTE (in W m-2)
    SWtot = SWtot + SWp + Eres:          ' Total evaporation loss in watts per m2
    SWtotg = SWtot * 2.67 * Adu / 1.8 / 60:  ' Total water loss in grams
' COMPUTATION OF THE DURATION LIMIT OF EXPOSURE DLE IN MIN
' DLE for water loss, 95 % of the working population, in min
    If Dlimloss = 999 And SWtotg >= Dmax Then Dlimloss = Time
' DLE for heat storage, in min
    If Dlimtcr = 999 And Tre >= 38 Then Dlimtcr = Time
' End of loop on duration
Next Time

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## Annex F

### Examples of the predicted heat strain model computations

This annex provides the primary data and the main output data for five working conditions. It should be used to test that any particular version of the programme prepared from Annex E provides correct results within computational accuracy of 0,1 °C for the predicted core temperature and 1 % for water loss.

These five conditions were selected in order to test all the different components of the programme. The computations were conducted for a person 1,8 m tall and weighing 75 kg. In all cases, stationary or undefined walking conditions are assumed.

Parameters (units)	Examples of working conditions				
	1	2	3	4	5
Acclimatization	Yes	No	No	No	Yes
Posture	Standing	Standing	Standing	Standing	Sitting
Duration	480	480	480	480	480
$T_a$ (°C)	40	35	30	30	35
$T_g$ (°C)	40	35	45	30	50
$V_a$ (ms <sup>-1</sup> )	0,30	0,10	0,10	1,00	1,00
RH (%)	35	60	35	45	30
$M$ (W)	300	300	300	450	250
$W$ (W)	0	0	0	0	0
$I_{cl}$ (clo)	0,5	0,5	0,8	0,5	1,0
$T_r$ (°C)	40,0	35,0	52,0	30,0	74,6
$P_a$ (kPa)	2,58	3,37	1,48	1,91	1,69
$A_p$ (fraction %)	–	–	30	–	20
$F_r$ (–)	–	–	0,15	–	0,15
Final $SW_p$ (g/h)	812	633	766	543	722
Water loss (g)	6 531	6 345	6 425	4 563	5 847
Final $T_{cr}$ (°C)	37,5	40,8	38,6	38,0	37,5
$D_{limloss}$ (min)	280	250	280	400	310
$D_{limTcr}$ (min)	–	63	158	–	–

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