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## Scope

An essential standard for testing laboratories and manufacturers, NFPA 285 covers details of test specimens including new types of wall systems and materials, testing documentation and instrumentation, and the latest requirements, criteria, and diagrams for thermocouple locations.

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