



GSO Guide for adding watermark to Gulf standards and technical regulations

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Foreword

This document identifies GSO watermark that will be added to Gulf standards and technical regulations and the process of affixing this watermark to project versions distributed through GSO website for study and technical comments and inputs receival.

GSO develops (prepare and adopt) Gulf standards and technical regulations and publish these projects through GSO website as Gulf standard project containing Gulf foreword accompanied by standard content in case of adoption projects.

Whereas GSO technical committees prepare the corresponding file of GSO standard project.

To protect international adopted standards and safeguard intellectual property rights of Gulf standard drafts prepared by Gulf technical committees, it is required to add a watermark to all the document pages to prevent unauthorized usage of this document.

Project drafts that should contain GSO watermark:

GSO watermark shall be put on all Gulf standards / technical regulations files developed by GSO technical committees including the following types (Prepare, Adopt, Update and translation), the watermark is required to be put only in (DS) versions of Gulf standards projects since other versions (CD, FDS) are not published/distributed to public stakeholders.

Watermark specifications:

GSO watermark is a statement written in English language and put on all document pages; this water mark has the following specifications:

- The phrase (FOR STUDY) shall be used with (upper-case).
- Font: Arial Black Bold
- Font size: 110
- Font angle: (45-)
- Font color: Black RGB (0,0,0)
- Opacity: 25%
- Pages contain GSO watermark: all pages following GSO foreword.

Process to add GSO watermark:

GSO publishes Gulf standards projects on GSO website as PDF files, Therefore, to add GSO watermark to those files it is preferred to use Adobe Acrobat or any tool that supports adding a watermark to pdf file.

The following steps shall be used when using (XI) version of Adobe Acrobat Pro to put GSO watermark on pdf files.

- Open Gulf standard project (adopted from international standard) using the above-mentioned tool.
- Choose Tools/ Pages/Watermark/Add Watermark Figure (1)
- Add all watermark specifications mentioned in clause (Watermark specifications)

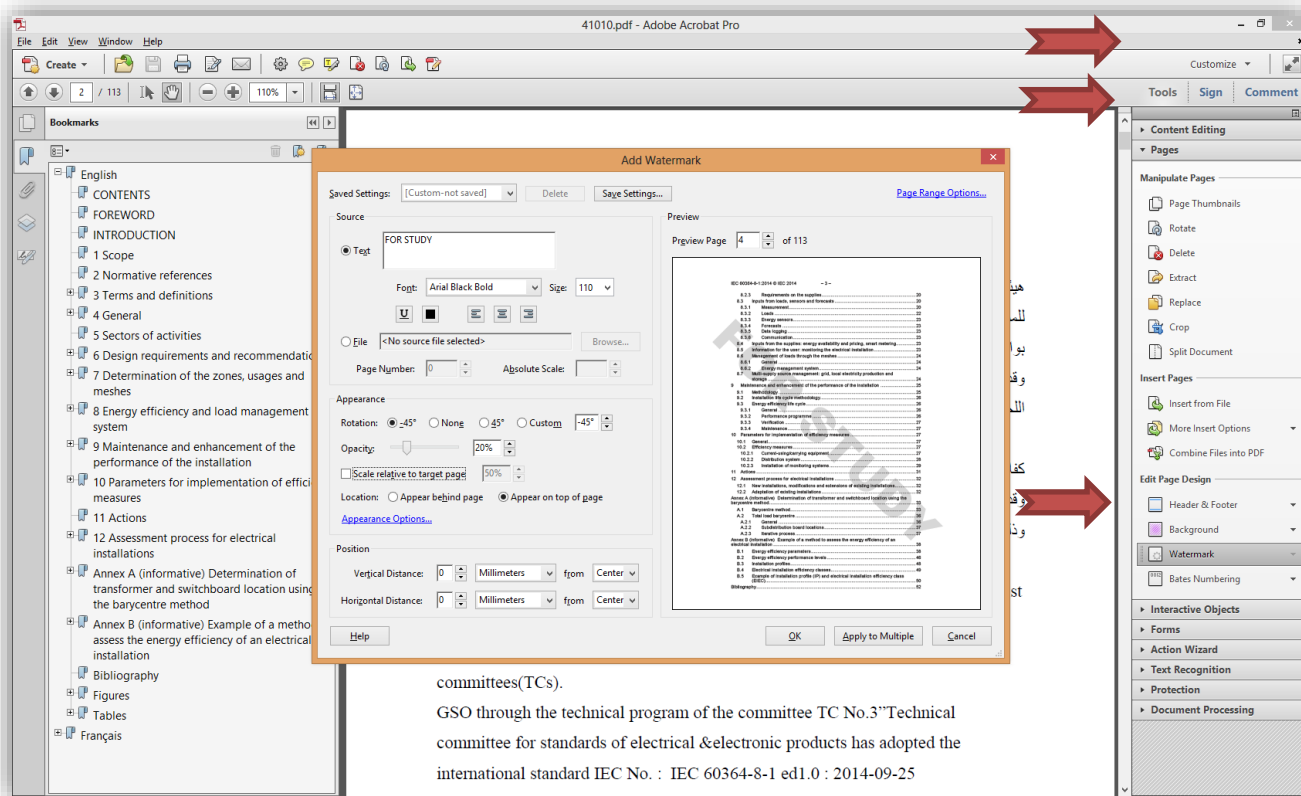


Figure (1)

- Choose pages range that GSO watermarks shall be put to them starting from page (3) to avoid adding watermark to foreword pages, Figure (2)

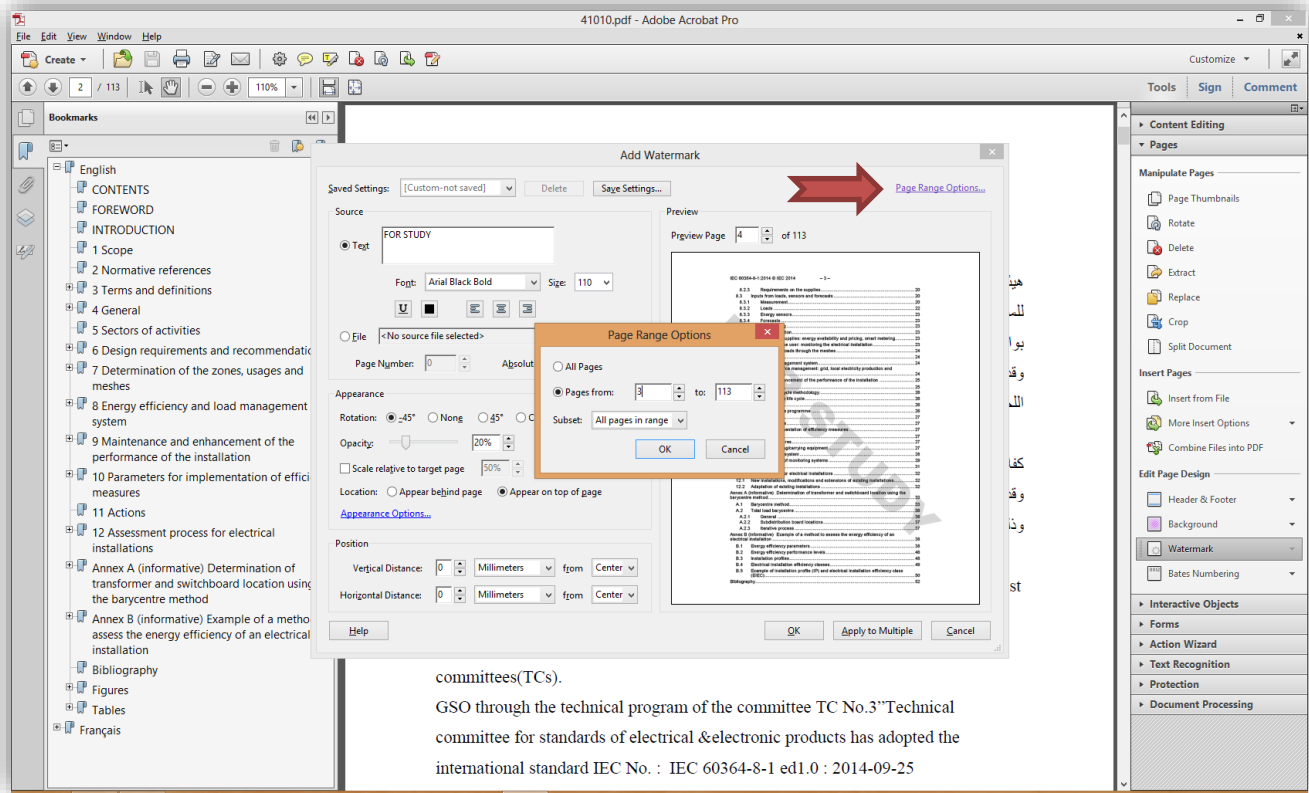
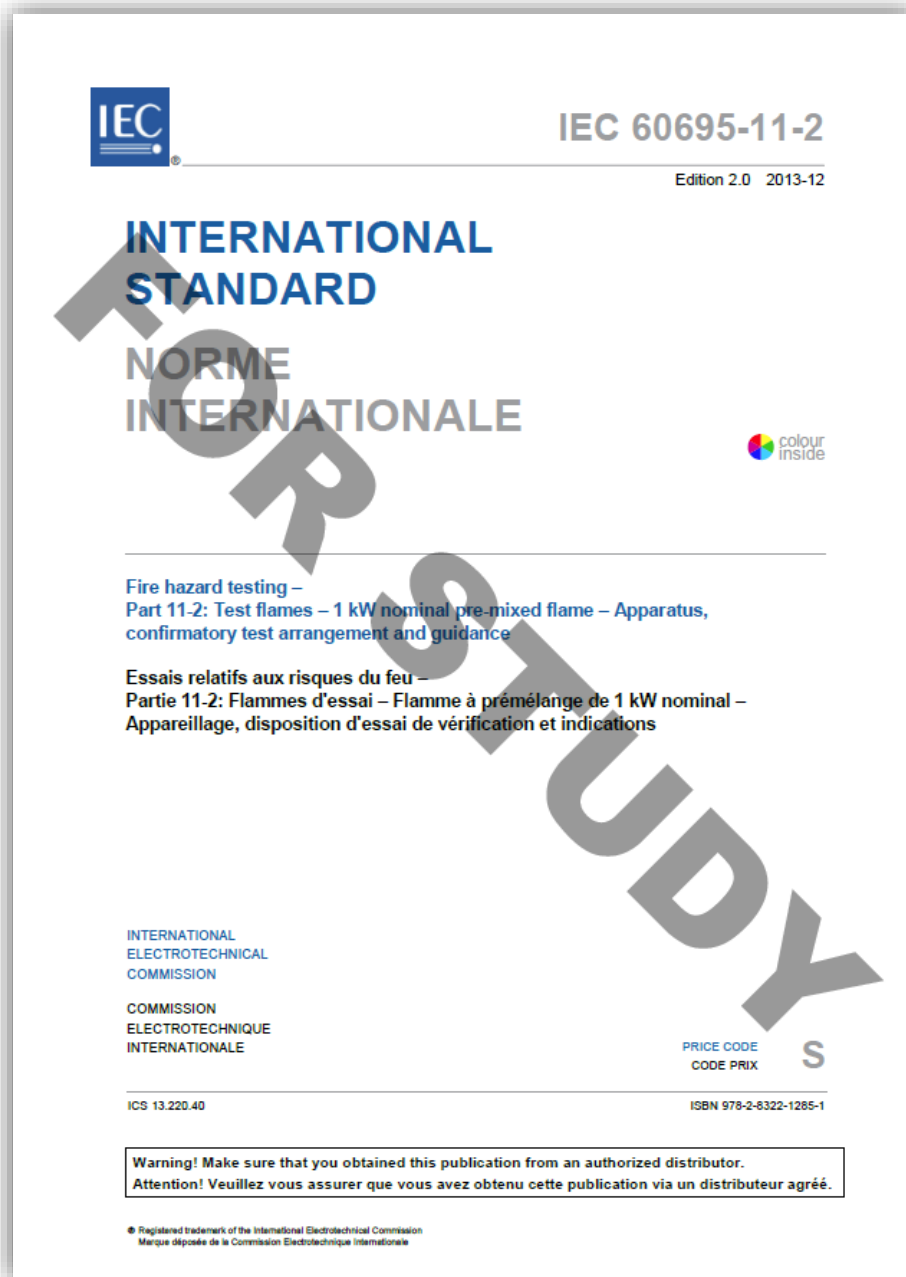


Figure (2)

Example on GSO watermark:



Steps to protect GSO watermark.

PDF files shall be sealed to avoid manipulation of GSO watermark by unauthorized entities.

Using the following steps:

- Open corresponding file
- Add GSO watermark (if not added already) using steps mentioned above.
- Choose (Tools/ Protection/ Restrict Editing)
- Set proper password.

