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Foreword (This foreword is not part of ANSI C78.376-2014 (R2021).)

This is a reaffirmation of the previous Standard.

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ANSI C78.376-2014 modified specifications for the chromaticity of fluorescent lamps in ANSI C78.376-2001. It updated and partially harmonized this ANSI standard with the IEC chromaticity color point objectives and chromaticity tolerance in IEC60081, Annex D. The major changes:

- a) The color chromaticity mean shall be within a 4-step MacAdam ellipse of the objective chromaticity.
- b) 95% of samples shall be within a 5-step MacAdam ellipse of the objective chromaticity.
- c) The 3500K objective chromaticity shall be changed to the IEC 3500K objective chromaticity.

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1 Scope

This standard covers the objectives and tolerances for the chromaticity of fluorescent lamps at their normal 100 hour rating point. The colors included are 2700K, 3000 K/warm white, 3500K/white, 4000K/4100K/cool white, 5000K, and 6500K/daylight. The lamp under test shall be operated under reference conditions as specified in ANSI C78.375, *Guide for Operation of Fluorescent Lamps*, and in the relevant C78 lamp standard. For lamps with non-standardized chromaticity coordinates, the rated x and y values shall be assigned by the manufacturer or responsible vendor.