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Part 1: General requirements

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English Version

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and laboratory use -
Part 1: General requirements
(IEC 61010-1:2010)**

Règles de sécurité pour appareils
électriques de mesurage, de régulation et
de laboratoire -
Partie 1: Exigences générales
(CEI 61010-1:2010)

Sicherheitsbestimmungen für elektrische
Mess-, Steuer-, Regel- und Laborgeräte -
Teil 1: Allgemeine Anforderungen
(IEC 61010-1:2010)

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This European Standard supersedes EN 61010-1:2001.

This edition includes the following significant changes from EN 61010-1:2001, as well as numerous other changes.

- The scope of the standard has been expanded to include all locations where these products may be used, so that both professional and non-professional versions of these products are within the scope.
- The requirements for testing and measuring circuits (in various subclauses and the entirety of Clause 16) have been removed and included in a particular standard EN 61010-2-030.
- Insulation requirements (6.7) have been completely rewritten.
- Specific requirements have been added for solid insulation and thin-film insulation.
- Subclause 6.7 now contains only the insulation requirements for MAINS CIRCUITS of OVERVOLTAGE CATEGORY II up to 300 V, and for secondary circuits.
- The insulation requirements for all other circuits have been moved to a new Annex K.
- Additional requirements for protection against mechanical HAZARDS (Clause 7) have been included.
- Surface temperature limits (Clause 10) have been modified to conform to the limits of EN 563.
- Radiation requirements (Clause 12) have been modified, and take into account a distinction between intended emission and unintended emission.
- Requirements for reasonably foreseeable misuse and ergonomic aspects have been added (Clause 16).
- A new clause (Clause 17) has been added to deal with HAZARDS and environments not covered by the standard, along with a new informative annex (Annex J) dealing with RISK assessment.
- A new informative annex (Annex E) addresses methods of reducing the POLLUTION DEGREE of a micro-environment.
- Requirements for the qualification of coatings for protection against POLLUTION have been added (Annex H).
- A new informative annex (Annex I) has been added to further explain how to determine the WORKING VOLTAGE of a MAINS CIRCUIT.

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IEC 60112:1979	NOTE	Harmonized as HD 214 S2:1980 (not modified).
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IEC 60332-2 series	NOTE	Harmonized in EN 60332-2 series (not modified).
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IEC 60364 series	NOTE	Harmonized in EN 60364 series (partially modified).
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IEC 60695-10-2	NOTE	Harmonized as EN 60695-10-2.
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IEC 60950-1	NOTE	Harmonized as EN 60950-1.
IEC 60990	NOTE	Harmonized as EN 60990
IEC 61010-2-030	NOTE	Harmonized as EN 61010-2-030.
IEC 61032	NOTE	Harmonized as EN 61032
IEC 61243-3	NOTE	Harmonized as EN 61243-3
IEC 61326 series	NOTE	Harmonized in EN 61326 series (not modified).
IEC 61508 series	NOTE	Harmonized in EN 61508 series (not modified).
IEC 61558 series	NOTE	Harmonized in EN 61558 series (partially modified).
ISO 9241 series	NOTE	Harmonized in EN ISO 9241 series.
ISO 14121-1	NOTE	Harmonized as EN ISO 14121-1.
ISO 14738	NOTE	Harmonized as EN ISO 14738.
ISO 14971	NOTE	Harmonized as EN ISO 14971.

Foreword to amendment A1

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- latest date by which this document has to be (dop) 2019-08-22 implemented at national level by publication of an identical national standard or by endorsement
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This amendment 1 to the third edition modifies the third edition published in 2010. It constitutes a technical revision.

This edition as amended includes the following significant changes from the third edition, as well as numerous other changes:

- The scope of the standard is modified to include the standard paragraph that Group Safety Publications are required to have. It does not affect the range of equipment in the scope.
- Symbols are the preferred marking method over warnings.
- Limit voltage values for accessible parts have been brought back to the values of the second edition in subclause 6.3 and Figure 2.
- d.c. is allowed as an alternative for dielectric testing of solid insulation and thin film insulation in mains circuits of overvoltage category II up to 300 V.
- Clearances and creepage distances in mains circuits of overvoltage category III and IV are subjected to dielectric testing in case of doubt.
- The 500 VA power requirement of the a.c. dielectric strength test equipment is replaced by a requirement to maintain the test voltage throughout the test.
- Temperature measurements (10.4.1) are made at the least favourable ambient temperature within the RATED ambient temperature range of the equipment if this represents a less favourable condition.
- Subclause 11.6 is renamed to "Equipment RATED with a degree of ingress protection (IP code)". It is completely revised and includes now complete requirements.
- The test pressures for hydraulic tests in 11.7.2 are revised.
- The requirements for protection against optical radiation are revised. The coverage is increased.
- The requirements for circuits used to limit TRANSIENT OVERVOLTAGES (14.8) are revised.
- In Annex H the test number 1 "Scratch resistance" is removed.

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For the relationship with EU Directive(s) see informative Annex ZZ, which is an integral part of this document.

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Annex ZA

(normative)

Normative references to international publications with their corresponding European publications

The following documents, in whole or in part, are normatively referenced in this document and are indispensable for its application. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

NOTE 1 When an International Publication has been modified by common modifications, indicated by (mod), the relevant EN/HD applies.

NOTE 2 Up-to-date information on the latest versions of the European Standards listed in this annex is available here: www.cenelec.eu.

Publication	Year	Title	EN/HD	Year
IEC 60027-1	1992	Letters symbols to be used in electrical	EN 60027-1	2006
+ A1	1997	technology - Part 1: General	+ A2	2007
+ A2	2005			
IEC 60027-2	2005	Letter symbols to be used in electrical	EN 60027-2	2007
		technology - Part 2:		
		Telecommunications and electronics		
IEC 60027-3	2002	Letter symbols to be used in electrical	EN 60027-3	2007
		technology - Part 3: Logarithmic and		
		related quantities, and their units		
IEC 60027-4	2006	Letter symbols to be used in electrical	EN 60027-4	2007
		technology - Part 4: Rotating electric		
		machines		
IEC 60027-6	2006	Letter symbols to be used in electrical	EN 60027-6	2007
		technology - Part 6: Control technology		
IEC 60027-7	2010	Letter symbols to be used in electrical	EN 60027-7	2010
		technology - Part 7: Power generation,		
		transmission and distribution		
IEC 60065 (mod.)	2001	Audio, video and similar electronic	EN 60065	2002
Cor. 1	2002	apparatus - Safety requirements	+ Cor.	2007
A1 (mod.)	2005		+ A1	2006
			+ A11	2008
A2 (mod.)	2010		+ A2	2010
			+ A12	2012
IEC 60068-2-14	2009	Environmental testing – Part 2-14: Tests	EN 60068-2-14	2009
		– Test N: Change of temperature		
IEC 60068-2-75	1997	Environmental testing – Part 2-75: Tests	EN 60068-2-75	1997
		– Test Eh: Hammer tests		
IEC 60073	2002	Basic and safety principles for man-	EN 60073	2002
		machine interface, marking and		
		identification – Coding principles for		
		indicators and actuators		

IEC 60227-1	2007	Polyvinyl chloride insulated cables of rated voltages up to and including 450/750 V - Part 1: General requirements	IEC 60227-1	2007
IEC 60227-2 + Cor. 1 + A1	1997 1998 2003	Polyvinyl chloride insulated cables of rated voltages up to and including 450/750 V - Part 2: Test methods	HD 21.2 S3:1997/A1 EN 50341-3:2001/ Cor. 1	2002 2006
IEC 60227-3 + A1	1993 1997	Polyvinyl chloride insulated cables of rated voltages up to and including 450/750 V - Part 3: Non-sheathed cables for fixed wiring	IEC 60227-3 + A1	1993 1997
IEC 60227-4 + A1	1992 1997	Polyvinyl chloride insulated cables of rated voltages up to and including 450/750 V - Part 4: Sheathed cables for fixed wiring	IEC 60227-4 + A1	1992 1997
IEC 60227-5	2011	Polyvinyl chloride insulated cables of rated voltages up to and including 450/750 V - Part 5: Flexible cables (cords)	IEC 60227-5	2011
IEC 60227-6	2001	Polyvinyl chloride insulated cables of rated voltages up to and including 450/750 V - Part 6: Lift cables and cables for flexible connections	IEC 60227-6	2001
IEC 60227-7 + A1 + A2	1995 2003 2011	Polyvinyl chloride insulated cables of rated voltages up to and including 450/750 V - Part 7: Flexible cables screened and unscreened with two or more conductors	IEC 60227-7 + A1 + A2	1995 2003 2011
IEC 60245-1 + A1	2003 2007	Rubber insulated cables - Rated voltages up to and including 450/750 V - Part 1: General requirements	IEC 60245-1 + A1	2003 2007
IEC 60245-2 + A1 + A2	1994 1997 1997	Rubber insulated cables - Rated voltages up to and including 450/750 V - Part 2: Test methods	IEC 60245-2 + A1 + A2	1994 1997 1997
IEC 60245-3 + A1 + A2	1994 1997 2011	Rubber insulated cables - Rated voltages up to and including 450/750 V - Part 3: Heat resistant silicone insulated cables	IEC 60245-3 + A1 + A2	1994 1997 2011
IEC 60245-4	2011	Rubber insulated cables - Rated voltages up to and including 450/750 V - Part 4: Cords and flexible cables	IEC 60245-4	2011
IEC 60245-5 + A1	1994 2003	Rubber insulated cables - Rated voltages up to and including 450/750 V - Part 5: Lift cables	IEC 60245-5 + A1	1994 2003
IEC 60245-6 + A1 + A2	1994 1997 2003	Rubber insulated cables - Rated voltages up to and including 450/750 V - Part 6: Arc welding electrode cables	IEC 60245-6 + A1 + A2	1994 1997 2003
IEC 60245-7 + A1	1994 1997	Rubber insulated cables - Rated voltages up to and including 450/750 V - Part 7: Heat resistant ethylene-vinyl acetate rubber insulated cables	IEC 60245-7 + A1	1994 1997

IEC 60245-8 + A1 + A2	1998 2003 2011	Rubber insulated cables - Rated voltages up to and including 450/750 V - Part 8: Cords for applications requiring high flexibility	IEC 60245-8 + A1 + A2	1998 2003 2011
IEC 60309-1 + A1 (mod.) + A2	1999 2005 2012	Plugs, socket-outlets and couplers for industrial purposes - Part 1: General requirements	EN 60309-1 + A1 + A2	1999 2007 2012
IEC 60309-2 + A1 (mod.) + A2	1999 2005 2012	Plugs, socket-outlets and couplers for industrial purposes - Part 2: Dimensional interchangeability requirements for pin and contact-tube accessories	EN 60309-2 + A1 + A2	1999 2007 2012
IEC 60309-4 (mod.) + A1	2006 2012	Plugs, socket-outlets and couplers for industrial purposes - Part 4: Switched socket-outlets and connectors with or without interlock	EN 60309-4 + A1	2007 2012
IEC 60320-1 + A1	2001 2007	Appliance couplers for household and similar general purposes - Part 1: General requirements	EN 60320-1 + A1	2001 2007
IEC 60320-2-1	2000	Appliance couplers for household and similar general purposes - Part 2-1: Sewing machine couplers	EN 60320-2-1	2000
IEC 60320-2-2	1998	Appliance couplers for household and similar general purposes - Part 2-2: Interconnection couplers for household and similar equipment	EN 60320-2-2	1998
IEC 60320-2-3 + A1	1998 2004	Appliance coupler for household and similar general purposes - Part 2-3: Appliance coupler with a degree of protection higher than IPX0	EN 60320-2-3 + A1	1998 2005
IEC 60320-2-4 + A1	2005 2009	Appliance couplers for household and similar general purposes - Part 2-4: Couplers dependent on appliance weight for engagement	EN 60320-2-4 + A1	2006 2009
IEC 60332-1-2	2004	Tests on electric and optical fibre cables under fire conditions – Part 1-2: Test for vertical flame propagation for a single insulated wire or cable – Procedure for 1 kW premixed flame	EN 60332-1-2	2004
IEC 60332-2-2	2004	Tests on electric and optical fibre cables under fire conditions – Part 2-2: Test for vertical flame propagation for a single small insulated wire or cable – Procedure for diffusion flame	EN 60332-2-2	2004
IEC 60335-2-24	2010	Household and similar electrical appliances – Safety – Part 2-24: Particular requirements for refrigerating appliances, ice-cream appliances and ice-makers	EN 60335-2-24	2010
IEC 60335-2-89 + A1	2010 2012	Household and similar electrical appliances – Safety – Part 2-89: Particular requirements for commercial refrigerating appliances with an incorporated or remote refrigerant condensing unit or compressor	EN 60335-2-89 + A1	2010 2016

IEC 60364-4-44 + Cor. 1 + Cor. 2 +A1	2007 2010 2011 2015	Low-voltage electrical installations – Part 4-44: Protection for safety – Protection against voltage disturbances and electromagnetic disturbances	HD 60364-4-444	2010 2010 2012
IEC 60417 DB	-	Graphical symbols for use on equipment	IEC 60417 DB	-
IEC 60529 + A1 + A2	1989 1999 2013	Degrees of protection provided by enclosures (IP Code)	EN 60529 + A1 + A2	1991 2000 2013
IEC 60664-3 + A1 + Cor. 1	2003 2010 2010	Insulation coordination for equipment within low-voltage systems – Part 3: Use of coating, potting or moulding for protection against pollution	EN 60664-3 + A1	2003 2010
IEC 60695-11-10	2013	Fire hazard testing – Part 11-10: Test flames – 50 W horizontal and vertical flame test methods	EN 60695-11-10	2013
IEC 60799	1998	Electrical accessories – Cord sets and interconnection cord sets	EN 60799	1998
IEC 60825-1 Cor. 1	2007 2008	Safety of laser products – Part 1: Equipment classification and requirements	EN 60825-1	2007
IEC 60947-1 + A1	2007 2010	Low-voltage switchgear and controlgear – Part 1: General rules	EN 60947-1 + A1	2007 2011
IEC 60947-2 + A1 + A2	2006 2009 2013	Low-voltage switchgear and controlgear – Part 2: Circuit-breakers	EN 60947-2 + A1 + A2	2006 2009 2013
IEC 60947-3 + A1 Cor. 1	2008 2012 2013	Low-voltage switchgear and controlgear – Part 3: Switches, disconnectors, switch-disconnectors and fuse- combination units	EN 60947-3 + A1	2009 2012
IEC 61010-031 + A1	2002 2008	Safety requirements for electrical equipment for measurement, control and laboratory use – Part 031: Safety requirements for hand-held probe assemblies for electrical measurement and test	EN 61010-031 + A1	2002 2008
IEC 61180-1	1992	High-voltage test techniques for low- voltage equipment – Part 1: Definitions, test and procedure requirements	EN 61180-1	1994
IEC 61180-2	1994	High-voltage test techniques for low- voltage equipment – Part 2: Test equipment	EN 61180-2	1994
IEC 61672-1	2013	Electroacoustics – Sound level meters – Part 1: Specifications	EN 61672-1	2013
IEC 61672-2	2013	Electroacoustics – Sound level meters – Part 2: Pattern evaluation tests	EN 61672-2	2013
IEC 62262	2002	Degrees of protection provided by enclosures for electrical equipment against external impacts (IK code)	EN 50102 + A1 + Cor. 1	1995 1998 2002
IEC 62471	2006	Photobiological safety of lamps and lamp systems	EN 62471	2008

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IEC/TR 62471-2	2009	Photobiological safety of lamps and lamp systems – Part 2: Guidance on manufacturing requirements relating to non-laser optical radiation safety	IEC/TR 62471-2	2009
IEC 62598	2011	Nuclear instrumentation – Constructional requirements and classification of radiometric gauges	EN 62598	2013
IEC Guide 104	2010	The preparation of safety publications and the use of basic safety publications and group safety publications	IEC Guide 104	2010
ISO/IEC Guide 51	1999	Safety aspects – Guidelines for their inclusion in standards	ISO/IEC Guide 51	1999
ISO 306	2013	Plastics – Thermoplastic materials – Determination of Vicat softening temperature (VST)	EN ISO 306	
ISO 361	1975	Basic ionizing radiation symbol	ISO 361	1975
ISO 13857	2008	Safety of machinery - Safety distances to prevent hazard zones being reached by upper and lower limbs	EN ISO 13857	2008
ISO 3746	2010	Acoustics – Determination of sound power levels of noise sources using sound pressure – Survey method using an enveloping measurement surface over a reflecting plane	EN ISO 3746	2010
ISO 7000	2004	Graphical symbols for use on equipment	ISO 7000	2004
ISO 9614-1	1993	Acoustics – Determination of sound power levels of noise sources using sound intensity – Part 1: Measurement at discrete points	EN ISO 9614-1	2009
EN 378-2 + A2	2008 2012	Refrigerating systems and heat pumps – Safety and environmental requirements. Design, construction, testing, marking and documentation		

Annex ZZ

(informative)

Relationship between this European standard and the safety objectives of Directive 2014/35/EU [2014 OJ L96] aimed to be covered

This European Standard has been prepared under a Commission's standardization request relating to harmonized standards in the field of the Low Voltage Directive, M/511, to provide one voluntary means of conforming to safety objectives of Directive 2014/35/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 February 2014 on the harmonization of the laws of the Member States relating to the making available on the market of electrical equipment designed for use within certain voltage limits [2014 OJ L96].

Once this standard is cited in the Official Journal of the European Union under that Directive, compliance with the normative clauses of this standard given in Table ZZ.1 confers, within the limits of the scope of this standard, a presumption of conformity with the corresponding safety objectives of that Directive, and associated EFTA regulations.

Table ZZ.1 – Correspondence between this European standard and Annex I of Directive 2014/35/EU [2014 OJ L96]

Safety objectives of Directive 2014/35/EU (Annex I)	Clause(s) / sub-clause(s) of this EN	Remarks / Notes
1. General conditions		
1 (a) the essential characteristics, the recognition and observance of which will ensure that electrical equipment will be used safely and in applications for which it was made, shall be marked on the electrical equipment, or, if this is not possible, on an accompanying document	5.1 5.2 5.4	
1 (b) the electrical equipment, together with its component parts, shall be made in such a way as to ensure that it can be safely and properly assembled and connected	6.6 6.10 6.11 Annex F	
1 (c) the electrical equipment shall be so designed and manufactured as to ensure that protection against the hazards set out in points 2 and 3 is assured, providing that the equipment is used in applications for which it was made and is adequately maintained	5.4 17 (for hazards not covered by clauses 6-16) See also the details in points 2 and 3	

Safety objectives of Directive 2014/35/EU (Annex I)	Clause(s) / sub-clause(s) of this EN	Remarks / Notes
2. Protection against hazards arising from the electrical equipment Measures of a technical nature shall be laid down in accordance with point 1, in order to ensure that:		
2 (a) persons and domestic animals are adequately protected against the danger of physical injury or other harm which might be caused by direct or indirect contact	4, 6.1 – 6.11, 9.6, 11.6, Annex F, Annex K	
2 (b) temperatures, arcs or radiation which would cause a danger, are not produced	4.4.4.2, 9.5, 9.6, 10.1 - 10.5, 12	
2 (c) persons, domestic animals and property are adequately protected against non-electrical dangers caused by the electrical equipment which are revealed by experience	4.4, 7.2- 7.7, 9, 12.3, 12.5, 12.6, 13.1, 13.2, 16.2	
2 (d) the insulation is suitable for foreseeable conditions	6.7, Annex K	
3. Protection against hazards which may be caused by external influences on the electrical equipment Technical measures shall be laid down in accordance with point 1, in order to ensure that the electrical equipment:		
3 (a) meets the expected mechanical requirements in such a way that persons, domestic animals and property are not endangered	7, 8	
3 (b) is resistant to non-mechanical influences in expected environmental conditions, in such a way that persons, domestic animals and property are not endangered	1.4, 6.7.2.2.1, 10.5, 11.6, 14.3, 14.8, 15	
3 (c) does not endanger persons, domestic animals and property in foreseeable conditions of overload	4, 9, 14, 16.1	

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WARNING 2 — Other Union legislation may be applicable to the product(s) falling within the scope of this standard.

**SAFETY REQUIREMENTS FOR ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT
FOR MEASUREMENT, CONTROL, AND LABORATORY USE –**

Part 1: General requirements

INTERPRETATION SHEET 1

This interpretation sheet has been prepared by IEC technical committee 66: Safety of measuring, control and laboratory equipment.

The text of this interpretation sheet is based on the following documents:

ISH	Report on voting
66/497A/ISH	66/505/RVD

Full information on the voting for the approval of this interpretation sheet can be found in the report on voting indicated in the above table.

IEC 61010-1:2010 contains a requirement in 6.8.3.1 pertaining to voltage testers for type tests as follows:

“The generator shall be able to supply a power of at least 500 VA.”

This has given rise to the following questions:

How does one interpret the requirement for voltage testers in 6.8.3.1 of IEC 61010-1:2010? Specifically, this subclause requires that “The generator shall be able to supply a power of at least 500 VA.” Does this requirement apply throughout the rated output range of the voltage tester? What is meant by the word “generator”? Is the “generator” the power supply within the voltage tester, or the voltage tester output, or something else?

Interpretation:

“A voltage tester used for type tests must be able to deliver at least 500 VA at its full-rated output voltage. It does not necessarily need to deliver 500 VA if set for lower voltages.

For example, a voltage tester that can deliver 100 mA at any test output voltage up to 5 000 V (and a current corresponding to 500 VA above 5 000 V) would meet the requirement.

The requirements for voltage testers used for routine (production line) tests are included in Annex F. The requirements of 6.8.3.1 do not apply to these voltage testers.”

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This third edition cancels and replaces the second edition published in 2001. It constitutes a technical revision.

This edition includes the following significant changes from the second edition, as well as numerous other changes.

- The scope of the standard has been expanded to include all locations where these products may be used, so that both professional and non-professional versions of these products are within the scope.

- The requirements for testing and measuring circuits (in various subclauses and the entirety of Clause 16) have been removed and included in a particular standard IEC 61010-2-030.
- Insulation requirements (6.7) have been completely rewritten.
 - Specific requirements have been added for solid insulation and thin-film insulation.
 - Subclause 6.7 now contains only the insulation requirements for MAINS CIRCUITS of OVERVOLTAGE CATEGORY II up to 300 V, and for secondary circuits.
 - The insulation requirements for all other circuits have been moved to a new Annex K.
- Additional requirements for protection against mechanical HAZARDS (Clause 7) have been included.
- Surface temperature limits (Clause 10) have been modified to conform to the limits of EN 563.
- Radiation requirements (Clause 12) have been modified, and take into account a distinction between intended emission and unintended emission.
- Requirements for reasonably foreseeable misuse and ergonomic aspects have been added (Clause 16).
- A new clause (Clause 17) has been added to deal with HAZARDS and environments not covered by the standard, along with a new informative annex (Annex J) dealing with RISK assessment.
- A new informative annex (Annex E) addresses methods of reducing the POLLUTION DEGREE of a micro-environment.
- Requirements for the qualification of coatings for protection against POLLUTION have been added (Annex H).
- A new informative annex (Annex I) has been added to further explain how to determine the WORKING VOLTAGE of a MAINS CIRCUIT.

The text of this standard is based on the following documents:

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This publication has been drafted in accordance with the ISO/IEC Directives, Part 2.

A list of all parts of the IEC 61010 series, under the general title: *Safety requirements for electrical equipment for measurement, control, and laboratory use*, may be found on the IEC website.

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- requirements and definitions: in roman type;
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- *conformity and tests: in italic type;*
- terms used throughout this standard which have been defined in Clause 3: SMALL ROMAN CAPITALS.

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- withdrawn,
- replaced by a revised edition, or
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INTRODUCTION

This International Standard specifies the safety requirements that are generally applicable to all equipment within its scope. For certain types of equipment, these requirements will be supplemented or modified by the special requirements of one, or more than one, particular part 2 of the standard which must be read in conjunction with the part 1 requirements.

SAFETY REQUIREMENTS FOR ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT FOR MEASUREMENT, CONTROL, AND LABORATORY USE –

Part 1: General requirements

1 Scope and object

1.1 Scope

1.1.1 Equipment included in scope

A1 This group safety publication is primarily intended to be used as a product safety standard for the products mentioned in the scope, but shall also be used by technical committees in the preparation of their publications for products similar to those mentioned in the scope of this standard, in accordance with the principles laid down in IEC Guide 104 and ISO/IEC Guide 51. **A1**

This part of IEC 61010 specifies general safety requirements for the following types of electrical equipment and their accessories, wherever they are intended to be used.

a) Electrical test and measurement equipment

This is equipment which by electromagnetic means tests, measures, indicates or records one or more electrical or physical quantities, also non-measuring equipment such as signal generators, measurement standards, power supplies for laboratory use, transducers, transmitters, etc.

NOTE 1 This includes bench-top power supplies intended to aid a testing or measuring operation on another piece of equipment. Power supplies intended to power equipment are within the scope of IEC 61558 (see 1.1.2 h)).

This standard also applies to test equipment integrated into manufacturing processes and intended for testing manufactured devices.

NOTE 2 Manufacturing test equipment is likely to be installed adjacent to and interconnected with industrial machinery in this application.

b) Electrical industrial process-control equipment

This is equipment which controls one or more output quantities to specific values, with each value determined by manual setting, by local or remote programming, or by one or more input variables.

c) Electrical laboratory equipment

This is equipment which measures, indicates, monitors, inspects or analyses materials, or is used to prepare materials, and includes in vitro diagnostic (IVD) equipment.

This equipment may also be used in areas other than laboratories; examples include self-test IVD equipment to be used in the home and inspection equipment to be used to check people or material during transportation.

1.1.2 Equipment excluded from scope

This standard does not apply to equipment within the scope of:

- a) IEC 60065 (Audio, video and similar electronic apparatus);
- b) IEC 60204 (Safety of machinery – Electrical equipment of machines);
- c) IEC 60335 (Household and similar electrical appliances);
- d) IEC 60364 (Electrical installations of buildings);
- e) IEC 60439 (Low-voltage switchgear and controlgear assemblies);
- f) IEC 60601 (Medical electrical equipment);

- g) IEC 60950 (Information technology equipment including electrical business equipment, except as specified in 1.1.3);
- h) IEC 61558 (Power transformers, power supply units and similar);
- i) IEC 61010-031 (Hand-held probe assemblies);
- j) IEC 61243-3 (Live working – Voltage detectors – Part 3: Two-pole low-voltage type).

1.1.3 Computing equipment

This standard applies only to computers, processors, etc. which form part of equipment within the scope of this standard or are designed for use exclusively with the equipment.

NOTE Computing devices and similar equipment within the scope of IEC 60950 and conforming to its requirements are considered to be suitable for use with equipment within the scope of this standard. However, some of the requirements of IEC 60950 for resistance to moisture and liquids are less stringent than those in this standard (see 5.4.4 second paragraph)).

1.2 Object

1.2.1 Aspects included in scope

The purpose of the requirements of this standard is to ensure that HAZARDS to the OPERATOR and the surrounding area are reduced to a tolerable level.

Requirements for protection against particular types of HAZARD are given in Clauses 6 to 13, as follows:

- a) electric shock or burn (see Clause 6);
- b) mechanical HAZARDS (see Clauses 7 and 8);
- c) spread of fire from the equipment (see Clause 9);
- d) excessive temperature (see Clause 10);
- e) effects of fluids and fluid pressure (see Clause 11);
- f) effects of radiation, including lasers sources, and sonic and ultrasonic pressure (see Clause 12);
- g) liberated gases, explosion and implosion (see Clause 13).

Requirements for protection against HAZARDS arising from REASONABLY FORESEEABLE MISUSE and ergonomic factors are specified in Clause 16.

RISK assessment for HAZARDS or environments not fully covered above is specified in Clause 17.

NOTE Attention is drawn to the existence of additional requirements regarding the health and safety of labour forces.

1.2.2 Aspects excluded from scope

This standard does not cover:

- a) reliable function, performance, or other properties of the equipment not related to safety;
- b) effectiveness of transport packaging;
- c) EMC requirements (see the IEC 61326 series);
- d) protective measures for explosive atmospheres (see the IEC 60079 series).

1.3 Verification

This standard also specifies methods of verifying that the equipment meets the requirements of this standard, through inspection, TYPE TESTS, ROUTINE TESTS, and RISK assessment.

1.4 Environmental conditions

1.4.1 Normal environmental conditions

This standard applies to equipment designed to be safe at least under the following conditions:

- a) indoor use;
- b) altitude up to 2 000 m;
- c) temperature 5 °C to 40 °C;
- d) maximum relative humidity 80 % for temperatures up to 31 °C decreasing linearly to 50 % relative humidity at 40 °C;
- e) MAINS supply voltage fluctuations up to ± 10 % of the nominal voltage;
- f) TRANSIENT OVERVOLTAGES up to the levels of OVERVOLTAGE CATEGORY II;

NOTE 1 These levels of transient overvoltage are typical for equipment supplied from the building wiring.

- g) TEMPORARY OVERVOLTAGES occurring on the MAINS supply.
- h) applicable POLLUTION DEGREE of the intended environment (POLLUTION DEGREE 2 in most cases).

NOTE 2 Manufacturers may specify more restricted environmental conditions for operation; nevertheless the equipment must be safe within these normal environmental conditions.

1.4.2 Extended environmental conditions

This standard applies to equipment designed to be safe not only in the environmental conditions specified in 1.4.1, but also in any of the following conditions as RATED by the manufacturer of the equipment:

- a) outdoor use;
- b) altitude above 2 000 m;
- c) ambient temperatures below 5 °C or above 40 °C;
- d) relative humidity above the levels specified in 1.4.1;
- e) MAINS supply voltage fluctuations exceeding ± 10 % of the nominal voltage;
- f) WET LOCATION;
- g) TRANSIENT OVERVOLTAGES up to the levels of OVERVOLTAGE CATEGORY III or IV (see Annex K).

2 Normative references

The following referenced documents, where applicable, are indispensable for the application 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.

IEC 60027 (all parts), *Letter symbols to be used in electrical technology*

IEC 60065, *Audio, video and similar electronic apparatus – Safety requirements*

IEC 60068-2-14, *Environmental testing – Part 2-14: Tests – Test N: Change of temperature*

IEC 60068-2-75, *Environmental testing – Part 2-75: Tests – Test Eh: Hammer tests*

IEC 60073, *Basic and safety principles for man-machine interface, marking and identification – Coding principles for indicators and actuators*

IEC 60227 (all parts), *Polyvinyl chloride insulated cables of rated voltages up to and including 450/750 V*

IEC 60245 (all parts), *Rubber insulated cables – Rated voltages up to and including 450/750 V*

IEC 60309 (all parts), *Plugs, socket-outlets and couplers for industrial purposes*

IEC 60320 (all parts), *Appliance couplers for household and similar general purposes*

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IEC 60332-2-2, *Tests on electric and optical fibre cables under fire conditions – Part 2-2: Test for vertical flame propagation for a single small insulated wire or cable – Procedure for diffusion flame*

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3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply.

3.1 Equipment and states of equipment

3.1.1

FIXED EQUIPMENT

equipment fastened to a support, or otherwise secured in a specific location

[IEC 60050-826:2004, 826-16-07, modified]

3.1.2

PERMANENTLY CONNECTED EQUIPMENT

equipment that is electrically connected to a supply by means of a permanent connection which can be detached only by the use of a TOOL

3.1.3

PORTABLE EQUIPMENT

equipment intended to be carried by hand

3.1.4

HAND-HELD EQUIPMENT

PORTABLE EQUIPMENT intended to be supported by one hand during NORMAL USE



3.1.5

TOOL

external device, including keys and coins, used to aid a person to perform a mechanical function

3.1.6

DIRECT PLUG-IN EQUIPMENT

equipment with a MAINS plug that is attached to the equipment housing without the use of a MAINS supply cord so that the equipment is supported by the MAINS socket-outlet

3.2 Parts and accessories

3.2.1

TERMINAL

component provided for the connection of a device to external conductors

[IEC 60050-151:2001, 151-12-12, modified]

NOTE TERMINALS can contain one or several contacts and the term therefore includes sockets, connectors, etc.

3.2.2

FUNCTIONAL EARTH TERMINAL

TERMINAL by which electrical connection is made directly to a point of a measuring or control circuit or to a screening part and which is intended to be earthed for any functional purpose other than safety

NOTE For measuring equipment, this TERMINAL is often called the measuring earth TERMINAL.

3.2.3

PROTECTIVE CONDUCTOR TERMINAL

TERMINAL which is bonded to conductive parts of equipment for safety purposes and is intended to be connected to an external protective earthing system

3.2.4

ENCLOSURE

part providing protection of equipment against certain external influences and, in any direction, protection against direct contact

NOTE ENCLOSURES may also provide protection against the spread of fire (see 9.3.2 c)).

3.2.5

PROTECTIVE BARRIER

part providing protection against direct contact from any usual direction of access

[IEC 60050-195:1998, 195-06-15]

NOTE Depending on its construction, a PROTECTIVE BARRIER can be called a casing, cover, screen, door, guard, etc.

A PROTECTIVE BARRIER can act alone; it is then only effective when it is in place. A PROTECTIVE BARRIER can also act in conjunction with an interlocking device with or without guard locking; in this case, protection is ensured whatever the position of the PROTECTIVE BARRIER.

3.3 Quantities

3.3.1

RATED (value)

quantity value assigned, generally by a manufacturer, for a specified operating condition of a component, device or equipment

[IEC 60050-151:2001, 151-16-08, modified]

3.3.2**RATING**

set of RATED values and operating conditions

[IEC 60050-151:2001, 151-16-11]

3.3.3**WORKING VOLTAGE**

highest r.m.s. value of the a.c. or d.c. voltage across any particular insulation which can occur when the equipment is supplied at RATED voltage

NOTE 1 Transients and voltage fluctuations are not considered to be part of the WORKING VOLTAGE.

NOTE 2 Both open-circuit conditions and normal operating conditions are taken into account.

3.4 Tests**3.4.1****TYPE TEST**

test of one or more samples of equipment (or parts of equipment) made to a particular design, to show that the design and construction meet one or more requirements of this standard

NOTE This is an amplification of the IEC 60050-151:2001, 151-16-16 definition to cover design as well as construction.

3.4.2**ROUTINE TEST**

conformity test made on each individual item during or after manufacture

[IEC 60050-151:2001, 151-16-17]

3.5 Safety terms**3.5.1****ACCESSIBLE (of a part)**

able to be touched with a standard test finger or test pin, when used as specified in 6.2

3.5.2**HAZARD**

potential source of harm

3.5.3**HAZARDOUS LIVE**

capable of rendering an electric shock or electric burn

3.5.4**MAINS**

low-voltage electricity supply system to which the equipment concerned is designed to be connected for the purpose of powering the equipment

3.5.5**MAINS CIRCUIT**

circuit which is intended to be directly connected to the MAINS for the purpose of powering the equipment

3.5.6

PROTECTIVE IMPEDANCE

component or assembly of components whose impedance, construction and reliability are suitable to provide protection against electric shock

3.5.7

PROTECTIVE BONDING

electrical connection of ACCESSIBLE conductive parts or protective screening to provide electrical continuity to the means for connection of an external protective conductor

3.5.8

NORMAL USE

operation, including stand-by, according to the instructions for use or for the obvious intended purpose

3.5.9

NORMAL CONDITION

condition in which all means for protection against HAZARDS are intact

3.5.10

SINGLE FAULT CONDITION

condition in which one means for protection against HAZARD is defective or one fault is present which could cause a HAZARD

NOTE If a SINGLE FAULT CONDITION results unavoidably in one or more other fault conditions, all the failures are considered as one SINGLE FAULT CONDITION [IEC Guide 104].

3.5.11

OPERATOR

person operating equipment for its intended purpose

3.5.12

RESPONSIBLE BODY

individual or group responsible for the safe use and maintenance of equipment

3.5.13

WET LOCATION

location where water or another conductive liquid may be present and is likely to cause reduced human body impedance due to wetting of the contact between the human body and the equipment, or wetting of the contact between the human body and the environment

3.5.14

REASONABLY FORESEEABLE MISUSE

use of a product in a way not intended by the supplier, but which may result from readily predictable human behaviour

3.5.15

RISK

combination of the probability of occurrence of harm and the severity of that harm

3.5.16

TOLERABLE RISK

RISK which is accepted in a given context based on the current values of society

[ISO/IEC Guide 51:1999, 3.7]

3.5.17**OVERVOLTAGE CATEGORY**

numeral defining a TRANSIENT OVERVOLTAGE condition (see Annex K)

3.5.18**TRANSIENT OVERVOLTAGE**

short duration overvoltage of a few milliseconds or less, oscillatory or non-oscillatory, usually highly damped

[IEC 60050-604, Amendment 1:1998, 604-03-13]

3.5.19**TEMPORARY OVERVOLTAGE**

power frequency overvoltage of relatively long duration

[IEC 60050-604, Amendment 1:1998, 604-03-12]

3.6 Insulation**3.6.1****BASIC INSULATION**

insulation of HAZARDOUS LIVE parts which provides basic protection

[IEC 60050-195:1998, 195-06-06]

NOTE BASIC INSULATION may serve also for functional purposes.

3.6.2**SUPPLEMENTARY INSULATION**

independent insulation applied in addition to BASIC INSULATION in order to provide protection against electric shock in the event of a failure of BASIC INSULATION

[IEC 60050-195:1998, 195-06-07, modified]

3.6.3**DOUBLE INSULATION**

insulation comprising both BASIC INSULATION and SUPPLEMENTARY INSULATION

[IEC 60050-195:1998, 195-06-08]

3.6.4**REINFORCED INSULATION**

insulation which provides protection against electric shock not less than that provided by DOUBLE INSULATION

NOTE REINFORCED INSULATION may be composed of several layers which cannot be tested singly as SUPPLEMENTARY INSULATION or BASIC INSULATION.

[IEC 60050-195:1998, 195-06-09, modified]

3.6.5**POLLUTION**

addition of foreign matter, solid, liquid or gaseous (ionized gases), that may produce a reduction of dielectric strength or surface resistivity

3.6.6**POLLUTION DEGREE**

numeral indicating the level of POLLUTION that may be present in the environment

3.6.7

POLLUTION DEGREE 1

no POLLUTION or only dry, non-conductive POLLUTION occurs, which has no influence

3.6.8

POLLUTION DEGREE 2

only non-conductive POLLUTION occurs except that occasionally a temporary conductivity caused by condensation is expected

3.6.9

POLLUTION DEGREE 3

conductive POLLUTION occurs, or dry, non-conductive POLLUTION occurs which becomes conductive due to condensation which is expected

NOTE In such conditions, equipment is normally protected against exposure to direct sunlight, precipitation, and full wind pressure, but neither temperature nor humidity is controlled.

3.6.10

POLLUTION DEGREE 4

continuous conductivity occurs due to conductive dust, rain or other wet conditions

3.6.11

CLEARANCE

shortest distance in air between two conductive parts

3.6.12

CREEPAGE DISTANCE

shortest distance along the surface of a solid insulating material between two conductive parts

[IEC 60050-151:2001, 151-15-50]

4 Tests

4.1 General

Tests in this standard are TYPE TESTS to be carried out on samples of equipment or parts. Their only purpose is to check that the design and construction ensure conformity with this standard. In addition, manufacturers shall perform the ROUTINE TESTS of Annex F on 100 % of equipment produced which has both HAZARDOUS LIVE parts and ACCESSIBLE conductive parts.

The equipment shall at least meet the requirements of this standard. It is permissible to exceed the requirements. If, in this standard, a lower limit is specified for a conformity value, then the equipment may demonstrate a larger value. If an upper limit is specified for a conformity value, the equipment may demonstrate a lower value.

Tests on subassemblies that meet the requirements of the relevant standards specified in this standard, and used in accordance with them, need not be repeated during TYPE TESTS of the whole equipment.

Conformity with the requirements of this standard is checked by carrying out all applicable tests, except that a test may be omitted if examination of the equipment and design documentation demonstrates conclusively that the equipment would pass the test. Tests are carried out both under reference test conditions (see 4.3) and under fault conditions (see 4.4).

Where conformity statements in this standard require inspection, this may include examination of the equipment by measurement, examination of the markings on the equipment, examination of the instructions supplied with the equipment, examination of the data sheets of the materials or components from which the equipment is manufactured, etc. In each case,

the inspection will either demonstrate that the equipment meets the applicable requirements, or will indicate that further testing is required.

A1 Tests needed to support a RISK assessment (see Clause 17) are carried out in the combinations of conditions and operations determined during the RISK assessment. **A1**

If, when carrying out a conformity test, there is any uncertainty about the exact value of an applied or measured quantity (for example voltage) due to the tolerance:

- a) manufacturers should ensure that at least the specified test value is applied;*
- b) test houses should ensure that no more than the specified test value is applied.*

4.2 Sequence of tests

The sequence of tests is optional unless otherwise specified. The equipment under test shall be carefully inspected after each test. If the result of a test causes doubt whether any earlier tests would have been passed if the sequence had been reversed, these earlier tests shall be repeated.

4.3 Reference test conditions

4.3.1 Environmental conditions

Unless otherwise specified in this standard, the following environmental conditions shall exist in the test location:

- a) a temperature of 15 °C to 35 °C;
- b) a relative humidity of not more than 75 %, but not exceeding the limits of 1.4.1 d);
- c) an air pressure of 75 kPa to 106 kPa;
- d) no hoar-frost, dew, percolating water, rain, solar radiation, etc.

4.3.2 State of equipment

4.3.2.1 General

Unless otherwise specified, each test shall be carried out on the equipment assembled for NORMAL USE and under the least favourable combination of the conditions given in 4.3.2.2 to 4.3.2.13.

NOTE In case of doubt, tests should be performed in more than one combination of conditions.

If dimensions or mass make it unsuitable to carry out particular tests on completely assembled equipment, tests on sub-assemblies are allowed, provided it is verified that the assembled equipment will meet the requirements of this standard.

4.3.2.2 Position of equipment

The equipment shall be in any position of NORMAL USE and with any ventilation unimpeded. Equipment intended to be built into a wall, recess, cabinet, etc., shall be installed as specified in the manufacturer's instructions.

4.3.2.3 Accessories

Accessories and OPERATOR-interchangeable parts available from, or recommended by, the manufacturer for use with the equipment under test shall be either connected or not connected.

4.3.2.4 Covers and removable parts

Covers or parts which can be removed without using a TOOL shall be removed or not removed.

4.3.2.5 MAINS supply

The following requirements apply.

- a) The supply voltage shall be between 90 % and 110 % of any RATED supply voltage for which the equipment can be set or, if the equipment is RATED for a greater fluctuation, at any supply voltage within the fluctuation range.
- b) The frequency shall be any RATED frequency.
- c) Equipment for both a.c. and d.c. shall be connected to an a.c. or d.c. supply.
- d) Equipment for single-phase a.c. supply shall be connected both with normal and reverse polarity.
- e) If the means of connection permits reversal, battery-operated and d.c. equipment shall be connected with both reverse and normal polarity.

4.3.2.6 Input and output voltages

Input and output voltages, including floating voltages but excluding the MAINS supply voltage, shall be set to any voltage within the RATED voltage range.

4.3.2.7 Earth TERMINALS

PROTECTIVE CONDUCTOR TERMINALS, if any, shall be connected to earth.

FUNCTIONAL EARTH TERMINALS shall be connected or not connected to earth.

4.3.2.8 Controls

Controls which an OPERATOR can adjust without the use of a TOOL shall be set to any position except that:

- a) MAINS selection devices shall be set to the correct value;
- b) combinations of settings shall not be made if they are prohibited by the manufacturer's marking on the equipment.

4.3.2.9 Connections

The equipment shall be connected for NORMAL USE, or not connected.

4.3.2.10 Load on motors

Load conditions of motor-driven parts of equipment shall be in accordance with the NORMAL USE.

4.3.2.11 Output

For equipment giving an electrical output:

- a) the equipment shall be operated in such a way as to provide the RATED output power to the RATED load;
- b) the RATED load impedance of any output shall be connected or not connected.

4.3.2.12 Duty cycle

Equipment for short-term or intermittent operation shall be operated for the longest RATED period and shall have the shortest RATED recovery period consistent with the manufacturer's instructions.

Equipment for short-term or intermittent operation that develops significant heat during the startup phase, and that relies on continued operation to dissipate that heat, shall also be operated for the shortest RATED period followed by the shortest RATED recovery period.

4.3.2.13 Loading and filling

Equipment intended to be loaded with a specific material in NORMAL USE shall be loaded with the least favourable quantity of the materials specified in the instructions for use, including not loaded (empty) if the instructions for use permit this in NORMAL USE.

NOTE If the specified material could cause a HAZARD during test, another material may be used provided that it can be shown that the result of the test is not affected.

4.4 Testing in SINGLE FAULT CONDITION

4.4.1 General

The following requirements apply.

- a) Examination of the equipment and its circuit diagram will generally show the fault conditions which are liable to result in HAZARDS and which, therefore, shall be applied.
- b) Fault tests shall be made as specified for checking conformity, unless it can be demonstrated that no HAZARD could arise from a particular fault condition.
- c) The equipment shall be operated under the least favourable combination of reference test conditions (see 4.3). These combinations may be different for different faults and they shall be recorded for each test.

A1 If the environmental limits of the reference test conditions (see 4.3) do not allow realistic assessment of SINGLE FAULT CONDITIONS, the test shall be conducted at the least favourable RATED environmental conditions of the equipment. **A1**

4.4.2 Application of fault conditions

4.4.2.1 General

Fault conditions shall include those specified in 4.4.2.2 to 4.4.2.14. They shall be applied only one at a time and shall be applied in turn in any convenient order. Multiple simultaneous faults shall not be applied unless they are a consequence of an applied fault.

NOTE For example, fans may be stopped one fan at a time unless they share a common power or control source. In that case, the common fans should be stopped simultaneously by interrupting the power or control source.

After each application of a fault condition, the equipment or part shall pass the applicable tests of 4.4.4.

4.4.2.2 PROTECTIVE IMPEDANCE

The following requirements apply.

- a) If a PROTECTIVE IMPEDANCE is formed by a combination of components, each component shall be short-circuited or disconnected, whichever is less favourable.

A1 Text deleted **A1**

- b) If a PROTECTIVE IMPEDANCE is formed with a single component that meets the requirements of 6.5.4, it need not be short-circuited or disconnected.

4.4.2.3 Protective conductor

The protective conductor shall be interrupted, except for PERMANENTLY CONNECTED EQUIPMENT and equipment utilizing a connector meeting the requirements of IEC 60309.

4.4.2.4 Equipment or parts for short-term or intermittent operation

These shall be operated continuously if continuous operation could occur in a SINGLE FAULT CONDITION. Individual parts may include motors, relays, other electromagnetic devices and heaters.

4.4.2.5 Motors

Motors shall be stopped while fully energized or prevented from starting, whichever is less favourable.

One supply phase of any multi-phase motor shall be interrupted while the motor is operating at its intended full load.

4.4.2.6 Capacitors

Capacitors (except for self-healing capacitors) in the auxiliary winding circuits of motors shall be short-circuited.

4.4.2.7 MAINS transformers

4.4.2.7.1 General

The secondary windings of MAINS transformers shall be short-circuited as specified in 4.4.2.7.2, and overloaded as specified in 4.4.2.7.3.

A transformer damaged during one test may be repaired or replaced before the next test.

Tests for MAINS transformers tested as separate components are specified in 14.6.

4.4.2.7.2 Short circuit

Each untapped output winding, and each section of a tapped output winding, which is loaded in NORMAL USE, shall be tested in turn, one at a time, to simulate short circuits in the load. Overcurrent protection devices remain fitted during the test. All other windings are loaded or not loaded, whichever load condition of NORMAL USE is less favourable.

4.4.2.7.3 Overload

Each untapped output winding, and each section of a tapped output winding, is overloaded in turn one at a time. The other windings are loaded or not loaded, whichever load condition of NORMAL USE is less favourable. If any overloads arise from testing in the fault conditions of 4.4, secondary windings shall be subjected to those overloads.

Overloading is carried out by connecting a variable resistor across the winding. The resistor is adjusted as quickly as possible and readjusted, if necessary, after 1 min to maintain the applicable overload. No further readjustments are then permitted.

If overcurrent protection is provided by a current-breaking device, the overload test current is the maximum current which the overcurrent protection device is just capable of passing for 1 h. Before the test, the device is replaced by a link with negligible impedance. If this value cannot be derived from the specification, it is to be established by test.

For equipment in which the output voltage is designed to collapse when a specified overload current is reached, the overload is slowly increased to a point just before the point which causes the output voltage to collapse.

In all other cases, the loading is the maximum power output obtainable from the transformer.

Transformers with overtemperature protection which meets the requirements of 14.3 during the short-circuit test of 4.4.2.7.2 need not be subjected to overload tests.

4.4.2.8 Outputs

Outputs shall be short-circuited one at a time.

4.4.2.9 Equipment for more than one supply

Equipment which is designed to be operated from more than one type of supply shall be simultaneously connected to these supplies, unless this is prevented by the construction.

4.4.2.10 Cooling

Equipment cooling shall be restricted as follows, one fault at a time:

- a) air-holes with filters shall be closed;
- b) forced cooling by motor-driven fans shall be stopped;
- c) cooling by circulation of water or other coolant shall be stopped;
- d) loss of cooling liquid shall be simulated.

4.4.2.11 Heating devices

In equipment incorporating heating devices, the following faults shall be applied one at a time:

- a) timers which limit the heating period shall be overridden to energize the heating circuit continuously;
- b) temperature controllers, except for overtemperature protection devices meeting the requirements of 14.3, shall be overridden to energize the heating circuit continuously.

4.4.2.12 Insulation between circuits and parts

Insulation between circuits and parts which is below the level specified for BASIC INSULATION shall be bridged to check against the spread of fire if the method of 9.1 a) is used.

4.4.2.13 Interlocks

Each part of an interlock system for the protection of the OPERATOR shall be short-circuited or open-circuited in turn if the system prevents access to HAZARDS when a cover, etc. is removed without the use of a TOOL.

4.4.2.14 Voltage selectors

Voltage selectors which an OPERATOR can set for different RATED supply voltages shall be set for each possible setting with the equipment connected to each of its RATED supply circuits.

4.4.3 Duration of tests

4.4.3.1 General

The equipment shall be operated until further change as a result of the applied fault is unlikely. Each test is normally limited to 1 h since a secondary fault arising from a SINGLE FAULT CONDITION will usually manifest itself within that time. If there is an indication that a HAZARD of electric shock, spread of fire or injury to persons may eventually occur, the test shall be continued for 4 h unless one of these HAZARDS arises before then.

4.4.3.2 Current limiting devices

If a device which interrupts or limits the current during operation is included to limit the temperature of parts which can easily be touched, the maximum temperature attained by those parts shall be measured, whether the device operates or not.

4.4.3.3 Fuses

If a fault is terminated by the opening of a fuse and if the fuse does not operate within approximately 1 s, the current through the fuse under the relevant fault condition shall be measured. The pre-arcing time/current characteristics of the fuse shall be evaluated to find out whether the minimum operating current is reached and what is the maximum time before the fuse operates. The current through the fuse may vary as a function of time.

If the minimum operating current of the fuse is not reached in the test, the equipment shall be operated for a period corresponding to the maximum fusing time or continuously for the duration specified in 4.4.3.1, with the fuse replaced with a short-circuit.

4.4.4 Conformity after application of fault conditions

4.4.4.1 General

Conformity with requirements for protection against electric shock after the application of single faults is checked as follows:

- a) by making the measurements of 6.3.2 to check that no ACCESSIBLE conductive parts have become HAZARDOUS LIVE;*
- b) by performing a voltage test on DOUBLE INSULATION or REINFORCED INSULATION to check that the protection is still at least at the level of BASIC INSULATION. The voltage tests are made as specified in 6.7 and 6.8 (without humidity preconditioning) with the test voltage for BASIC INSULATION;*
- c) by measuring the temperature of transformer windings if the protection against electrical HAZARDS is achieved by DOUBLE INSULATION or REINFORCED INSULATION within the transformer. The temperatures of Table 20 shall not be exceeded.*

4.4.4.2 Temperature

Conformity with requirements for temperature protection is checked by determining the temperature of the outer surface of the ENCLOSURE and of parts which can easily be touched (See Clause 10).

4.4.4.3 Spread of fire

Conformity with requirements for protection against the spread of fire is checked by placing the equipment on white tissue-paper covering a softwood surface and covering the equipment with cheesecloth. No molten metal, burning insulation, flaming particles, etc. shall fall on the surface on which the equipment stands and there shall be no charring, glowing, or flaming of the tissue paper or cheesecloth. Melting of insulation material shall be ignored if no HAZARD could arise.

4.4.4.4 Other HAZARDS

Conformity with other requirements for protection against HAZARDS is checked as specified in Clauses 7 to 16.

5 Marking and documentation

5.1 Marking

5.1.1 General

Equipment shall bear markings as specified in 5.1.2 to 5.2. Except for marking of internal parts, these markings shall be visible from the exterior, or be visible after removing a cover or opening a door without the aid of a TOOL, if the cover or door is intended to be removed or opened by an OPERATOR. Markings applying to the equipment as a whole shall not be put on parts which can be removed by an OPERATOR without the use of a TOOL.

For rack- or panel-mounted equipment, markings are permitted to be on a surface that becomes visible after removal of the equipment from the rack or panel.

Letter symbols for quantities and units shall be as specified in IEC 60027. Graphic symbols shall be in accordance with Table 1 if applicable. There are no colour requirements for symbols. Graphic symbols shall be explained in the documentation.

NOTE 1 IEC or ISO symbols should be used if available.

NOTE 2 Markings should not be on the bottom of the equipment, except on HAND-HELD EQUIPMENT or where space is limited.

Conformity is checked by inspection.

5.1.2 Identification

The equipment shall, as a minimum, be marked with:

- a) the name or trade mark of the manufacturer or supplier;
- b) a model number, name or other means to identify the equipment. If equipment bearing the same distinctive designation (model number) is manufactured at more than one location, equipment from each manufacturing location shall be marked so that the location can be identified.

NOTE The marking of factory location may be in code and need not be on the equipment exterior.

Conformity is checked by inspection.

5.1.3 MAINS supply

The equipment shall be marked with the following information.

- a) Nature of supply:
 - 1) a.c.: RATED MAINS frequency or range of frequencies;
 - 2) d.c.: symbol 1 of Table 1.

NOTE 1 For information purposes it may be useful to mark

- equipment intended for a.c. with symbol 2 of Table 1;
- equipment suitable for both a.c. and d.c. with symbol 3 of Table 1;
- equipment for three-phase supply with symbol 4 of Table 1.

- b) The RATED supply voltage(s) or the RATED range of supply voltages.

NOTE 2 RATED voltage fluctuations may also be marked.

- c) The maximum RATED power in watts (active power) or volt-amperes (apparent power), or the maximum RATED input current, with all accessories or plug-in modules connected. If the equipment can be used on more than one voltage range, separate values shall be

marked for each voltage range unless the maximum and minimum values do not differ by more than 20 % of the mean value. The marked value shall not be less than 90 % of the maximum value.

- d) Equipment which an OPERATOR can set for different RATED supply voltages shall be provided with means for the indication of the voltage for which the equipment is set. For PORTABLE EQUIPMENT the indication shall be visible from the exterior. If the equipment is so constructed that the supply voltage setting can be altered without the use of a TOOL, the action of changing the setting shall also change the indication.
- e) Accessory MAINS socket-outlets accepting standard MAINS plugs shall be marked with the voltage if it is different from the MAINS supply voltage. If the outlet is for use only with specific equipment, it shall be marked to identify the equipment for which it is intended. If not, the maximum RATED current or power shall be marked, or symbol 14 of Table 1 placed beside the outlet with the full details included in the documentation.

A1 *Conformity is checked by inspection and by measurement of power or input current to check that the requirements of 5.1.3 c) have been met. The measurement is made at each RATED voltage range with the equipment in the condition of maximum power or current consumption as applicable with all accessories and plug-in modules connected. If the input current varies during the normal operating cycle, the steady-state current is taken as the mean indication of the highest measured r.m.s. value during a 1 min period of the normal operation cycle. To exclude any initial inrush current, the measurement is not made until the current has stabilized (usually after 1 min). Transients are ignored. **A1***

Table 1 – Symbols

Number	Symbol	Reference	Description
1		IEC 60417-5031 (2002-10)	Direct current
2		IEC 60417-5032 (2002-10)	Alternating current
3		IEC 60417-5033 (2002-10)	Both direct and alternating current
4		IEC 60417-5032-1 (2002-10)	Three-phase alternating current
5		IEC 60417-5017 (2006-08)	Earth (ground) TERMINAL
6		IEC 60417-5019 (2006-08)	PROTECTIVE CONDUCTOR TERMINAL
7		IEC 60417-5020 (2002-10)	Frame or chassis TERMINAL
8			Not used
9		IEC 60417-5007 (2009-02)	On (Power)
10		IEC 60417-5008 (2009-02)	Off (Power)
11		IEC 60417-5172 (2003-02)	Equipment protected throughout by DOUBLE INSULATION or REINFORCED INSULATION
12			Caution, possibility of electric shock
13		IEC 60417-5041 (2002-10)	Caution, hot surface
14		ISO 7000-0434B (2004-01)	Caution ^a
15		IEC 60417-5268 (2002-10)	In position of a bi-stable push control
16		IEC 60417-5269 (2002-10)	Out position of a bi-stable push control
17		ISO 361	Ionizing radiation

^a See 5.4.1 which requires manufacturers to state that documentation must be consulted in all cases where this symbol is marked.

5.1.4 Fuses

For any fuse which may be replaced by an OPERATOR, there shall be a marking beside the fuseholder, which will enable the OPERATOR to identify the correct replacement fuse (see 5.4.5).

Conformity is checked by inspection.

5.1.5 TERMINALS, connections and operating devices

5.1.5.1 General

If necessary for safety, an indication shall be given of the purpose of TERMINALS, connectors, controls, and indicators, including any connections for fluids such as gas, water and drainage. Where there is insufficient space, symbol 14 of Table 1 may be used.

NOTE 1 For additional information, see IEC 60445 and IEC 60447.

NOTE 2 Individual pins of multi-pin connectors need not be marked.

Push-buttons and actuators of emergency stop devices, and indicators used only to indicate a warning of danger or the need for urgent action, shall be coloured red and coded as specified in IEC 60073. If the meaning of colour relates to the safety of persons or the environment, supplementary means of coding shall be provided (see IEC 60073).

NOTE 3 National authorities may require that equipment used in certain environments meet the man-machine interface requirements pertinent to that environment.

Conformity is checked by inspection.

5.1.5.2 TERMINALS

TERMINALS for connection to the MAINS supply shall be identifiable.

The following TERMINALS shall be marked as follows:

- a) FUNCTIONAL EARTH TERMINALS with symbol 5 of Table 1;
- b) PROTECTIVE CONDUCTOR TERMINALS with symbol 6 of Table 1, except when the PROTECTIVE CONDUCTOR TERMINAL is part of an approved MAINS appliance inlet. The symbol shall be placed on the TERMINAL or close to it;
- c) TERMINALS of  *Text deleted*  circuits which are permitted by 6.6.3 to be connected to ACCESSIBLE conductive parts, with symbol 7 of Table 1 unless connection is self-evident;

NOTE This symbol may also be considered as a warning symbol in that it indicates that a HAZARDOUS LIVE voltage must not be connected to the TERMINAL. The symbol should also be used if it is likely that an OPERATOR could make such a connection inadvertently.

- d) TERMINALS supplied from the interior of the equipment and which are HAZARDOUS LIVE, with the voltage, current, charge or energy value or range, or with symbol 14 of Table 1. This requirement does not apply to MAINS supply outlets where a standard MAINS socket outlet is used.

Conformity is checked by inspection.

5.1.6 Switches and circuit-breakers

If the power supply switch or circuit-breaker is used as the disconnecting device, the off-position shall be clearly marked.

NOTE It is recommended that the on-position also be marked.

Symbols 9 and 10 of Table 1 can, in some cases, also be suitable as the device identification (see 6.11.3.1 c)). A lamp alone is not considered to be a satisfactory marking.

If a push-button switch is used as the power supply switch, symbols 9 and 15 of Table 1 may be used to indicate the on-position, or symbols 10 and 16 to indicate the off-position, with the pair of symbols (9 and 15, or 10 and 16) close together.

Conformity is checked by inspection.

5.1.7 Equipment protected by DOUBLE INSULATION or REINFORCED INSULATION

Equipment which is only partially protected by DOUBLE INSULATION or REINFORCED INSULATION shall not be marked with symbol 11 of Table 1.

NOTE Equipment protected throughout by DOUBLE INSULATION or REINFORCED INSULATION may be marked with symbol 11 of Table 1.

Conformity is checked by inspection.

5.1.8 Field-wiring TERMINAL boxes

If the temperature of the TERMINALS or the ENCLOSURE of a field-wiring TERMINAL box or compartment exceeds 60 °C in NORMAL CONDITION at an ambient temperature of 40 °C, or at the maximum RATED ambient temperature if higher, there shall be a marking to warn the installer to consult the installation instructions before determining the temperature RATING of the cable to be connected to the TERMINALS. The marking shall be visible before and during connection, or be beside the TERMINALS. Symbol 14 is an acceptable marking.

Conformity, in case of doubt, is checked by measurement as specified in 10.3 a) and, if applicable, by inspection of markings.

5.2 Warning markings

 Warning markings specified in this standard shall meet the following requirements. 

Warning markings shall be visible when the equipment is ready for NORMAL USE. If a warning applies to a particular part of the equipment, the marking shall be placed on or near that part.

The size of warning markings shall be as follows:

- a) symbols shall be at least 2,75 mm high. Text shall be at least 1,5 mm high and contrast in colour with the background;
- b) symbols or text moulded, stamped or engraved in a material shall be at least 2,0 mm high. If not contrasting in colour, they shall have a depth or raised height of at least 0,5 mm.

If it is necessary for the RESPONSIBLE BODY or OPERATOR to refer to the documentation to preserve the protection afforded by the equipment, the equipment shall be marked with symbol 14 of Table 1. Symbol 14 is not required to be used if other symbols which address the safety aspects are used and explained in the documentation.

 If the instructions for use state that an OPERATOR is permitted to gain access, using a TOOL, to a part or location which in NORMAL USE may present a HAZARD, there shall be a warning marking indicating that the equipment must be placed in a safe state before access. Symbol 14 shall be used for this purpose with the warning text included in the documentation. Additional symbols may be used to indicate the nature of the HAZARD such as symbol 12, 13, or 17 as appropriate.

Symbols are the preferred marking method over text warnings. Supplemental text may be provided adjacent to the symbol. 

Conformity is checked by inspection.

5.3 Durability of markings

Required markings shall remain clear and legible under conditions of NORMAL USE and shall resist the effects of the cleaning agents specified by the manufacturer.

Conformity is checked by performing the following test for durability of markings on the outside of the equipment. The markings are rubbed by hand, without undue pressure, for 30 s with a cloth soaked with each specified cleaning agent (or, if not specified, with 70 % isopropyl alcohol).

After the above treatment the markings shall be clearly legible and adhesive labels shall not have worked loose or become curled at the edges.

5.4 Documentation

5.4.1 General

The following documentation necessary for safety purposes, as needed by the OPERATOR or the RESPONSIBLE BODY, shall be provided with the equipment. Safety documentation for service personnel authorized by the manufacturer shall be made available to such personnel:

- a) intended use of the equipment;
- b) technical specification;
- c) name and address of the manufacturer or supplier from whom technical assistance may be obtained;
- d) the information specified in 5.4.2 to 5.4.6;
- e) information about how to mitigate RISKS remaining after a RISK assessment has been performed (see Clause 17);
- f) for equipment which for safety reasons requires specific accessories (for example probe assemblies) with specific characteristics, the documentation shall indicate that only accessories which meet the manufacturer's specifications shall be used;
- g) if a HAZARD could be caused by an incorrect reading when measuring, indicating or detecting harmful or corrosive substances, or HAZARDOUS LIVE electrical quantities, the instructions shall provide guidance on how to determine that the equipment is functioning correctly;
- h) instructions for lifting and carrying (see  7.5.1 .

Warning symbols and warning statements that are marked on the equipment shall be explained in the documentation. In particular, the documentation shall include a statement that it must be consulted in all cases where symbol 14 of Table 1 is marked, in order to find out the nature of the potential HAZARDS and any actions which have to be taken to avoid them.

NOTE 1 Markings and text on equipment are considered equivalent to the documentation.

NOTE 2 If NORMAL USE involves the handling of harmful or corrosive substances, instruction should be given on correct use and safety provisions. If any harmful or corrosive substance is specified or supplied by the equipment manufacturer, the necessary information on its constituents and the correct disposal procedure should also be given.

Documentation may be provided on printed or electronic media, however printed information is required for all information necessary for safety that might not be available in electronic form at the time it is needed. The documentation shall be delivered with the equipment. Consideration shall be given to the ability of the RESPONSIBLE BODY to read the media.

Conformity is checked by inspection.

5.4.2 Equipment RATINGS

Documentation shall include the following:

- a) the supply voltage or voltage range, frequency or frequency range, and power or current RATING;
- b) a description of all input and output connections as required by 6.6.1 a);

c) the RATING of the insulation of external circuits as required by 6.6.1 b);

A1 d) a statement of the range of environmental conditions for which the equipment is designed including:

- 1) indoor or outdoor use,
- 2) altitude,
- 3) temperature,
- 4) relative humidity,
- 5) MAINS supply voltage fluctuations,
- 6) OVERVOLTAGE CATEGORY, except for cord/plug-connected equipment,
- 7) WET LOCATION, if applicable,
- 8) POLLUTION DEGREE of the intended environment,

e) for equipment RATED for ingress protection according to IEC 60529 the information required in 11.6.1; **A1**

f) for equipment with an impact RATING less than 5 J, the information specified in 8.1 d).

Conformity is checked by inspection.

5.4.3 Equipment installation

A1 The documentation shall include installation and specific commissioning instructions and, if necessary for safety, warnings against HAZARDS which could arise during installation or commissioning or as a result of improper installation or commissioning of the equipment. Such information includes, if applicable: **A1**

- a) assembly, location and mounting requirements;
- b) instructions for protective earthing;
- c) connections to the supply;
- d) for PERMANENTLY CONNECTED EQUIPMENT:
 - 1) supply wiring requirements;
 - 2) requirements for any external switch or circuit-breaker (see 6.11.3.1) and external overcurrent protection devices (see 9.6.2) and a recommendation that the switch or circuit-breaker be near the equipment;
- e) ventilation requirements;
- f) **A1** requirements and safety characteristics for special external services, for example: maximum and minimum temperature, pressure, or flow of air or cooling liquid; **A1**
- g) instructions relating to sound level (see 12.5.1).

NOTE It is recommended to add a statement in the documentation for the installation that the safety of any system incorporating the equipment is the responsibility of the assembler of the system.

Conformity is checked by inspection.

5.4.4 Equipment operation

Instructions for use shall include, if applicable:

- a) identification and description of operating controls and their use in all operating modes;
- b) instructions not to position the equipment so that it is difficult to operate the disconnecting device;
- c) instructions for interconnection to accessories and other equipment, including indication of suitable accessories, detachable parts and any special materials;
- d) specifications of limits for intermittent operation;
- e) explanations of symbols related to safety which are used on the equipment.

