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- addition of Table 2 in 4.1 for relevance to PDS/CDM/BDM;
- addition of Table 4 summary of decisive voltage class requirements;
- expansion of subclause on protective bonding (4.3.5.3);
- clarification of distinction between touch current and protective conductor current;
- revision of section on insulation (now 4.3.6) to include solid insulation;
- addition of overvoltage categories I and II to HV insulation voltage;
- revision of section on Solid insulation (now 4.3.6.8);
- addition of high-frequency insulation requirements (4.3.6.9, Annex E);
- addition of requirements for liquid-cooled PDS (4.4.5);
- addition of climatic and vibration tests (5.2.6);
- clarification of voltage test procedure to avoid over-stress of basic insulation (5.2.3.2.3);
- revision of short-circuit test requirement for large, high-voltage and one-off PDS (now 5.2.3.6);
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Annex ZA (normative)

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<u>Publication</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>EN/HD</u>	<u>Year</u>
IEC 60034	Series	Rotating electrical machines	EN 60034	Series
IEC 60034-1	-1)	Rotating electrical machines - Part 1: Rating and performance	EN 60034-1	2004 ²⁾
IEC 60034-5	-1)	Rotating electrical machines - Part 5: Degrees of protection provided by the integral design of rotating electrical machines (IP code) - Classification	EN 60034-5	2001 ²⁾
IEC 60050-111	-1)	International Electrotechnical Vocabulary (IEV) - Chapter 111: Physics and chemistry	-	-
IEC 60050-151	-1)	International Electrotechnical Vocabulary (IEV) - Part 151: Electrical and magnetic devices	-	-
IEC 60050-161	-1)	International Electrotechnical Vocabulary (IEV) - Chapter 161: Electromagnetic compatibility	-	-
IEC 60050-191	-1)	International Electrotechnical Vocabulary (IEV) - Chapter 191: Dependability and quality of service	-	-
IEC 60050-441	-1)	International Electrotechnical Vocabulary (IEV) - Chapter 441: Switchgear, controlgear and fuses	-	-
IEC 60050-442	-1)	International Electrotechnical Vocabulary (IEV) - Part 442: Electrical accessories	-	-
IEC 60050-551	-1)	International Electrotechnical Vocabulary (IEV) - Part 551: Power electronics	-	-
IEC 60050-601	-1)	International Electrotechnical Vocabulary (IEV) - Chapter 601: Generation, transmission and distribution of electricity - General	-	-
IEC 60060-1	1989	High-voltage test techniques - Part 1: General definitions and test requirements	HD 588.1 S1	1991

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3) EN 60068-2-2 includes supplement A:1976 to IEC 60068-2-2.

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IEC 60068-2-2	1974	Environmental testing - Part 2: Tests - Tests B: Dry heat	EN 60068-2-2 ³⁾	1993
IEC 60068-2-6	-1)	Environmental testing - Part 2: Tests - Test Fc: Vibration (sinusoidal)	EN 60068-2-6	1995 ²⁾
IEC 60068-2-78	-1)	Environmental testing - Part 2-78: Tests - Test Cab: Damp heat, steady state	EN 60068-2-78	2001 ²⁾
IEC 60112	2003	Method for the determination of the proof and the comparative tracking indices of solid insulating materials	EN 60112	2003
IEC 60204-11	-1)	Safety of machinery - Electrical equipment of machines - Part 11: Requirements for HV equipment for voltages above 1 000 V a.c. or 1 500 V d.c. and not exceeding 36 kV	EN 60204-11	2000
IEC 60309 (mod)	Series	Plugs, socket-outlets and couplers for industrial purposes	EN 60309	Series
IEC 60364-1 (mod)	-1)	Low-voltage electrical installations - Part 1: Fundamental principles, assessment of general characteristics, definitions	-4)	-
IEC 60364-4-41 (mod)	2005	Low-voltage electrical installations - Part 4-41: Protection for safety - Protection against electric shock	HD 60364-4-41 + corr. July	2007 2007
+A1	2016		+A1	201X ⁶⁾
IEC 60364-5-54 (mod)	2002	Electrical installations of buildings - Part 5-54: Selection and erection of electrical equipment - Earthing arrangements, protective conductors and protective bonding conductors	HD 60364-5-54	2007
IEC 60417	Database	Graphical symbols for use on equipment	-	-
IEC 60529	1989	Degrees of protection provided by enclosures (IP Code)	EN 60529 + corr. May	1991 1993
IEC 60617	Database	Graphical symbols for diagrams	-	-
IEC 60664-1	1992	Insulation coordination for equipment within low-voltage systems - Part 1: Principles, requirements and tests	EN 60664-1 ⁵⁾	2003
+A1	2000			
+A2	2002			
IEC 60664-3	2003	Insulation coordination for equipment within low-voltage systems - Part 3: Use of coating, potting or moulding for protection against pollution	EN 60664-3	2003
IEC 60664-4	2005	Insulation coordination for equipment within low-voltage systems - Part 4: Consideration of high-frequency voltage stress	EN 60664-4 + corr. October	2006 2006
IEC 60695-2-10	-1)	Fire hazard testing - Part 2-10: Glowing/hot-wire based test methods - Glow-wire apparatus and common test procedure	EN 60695-2-10	2001 ²⁾
IEC 60695-2-13	-1)	Fire hazard testing - Part 2-13: Glowing/hot-wire based test methods - Glow-wire ignitability test method for materials	EN 60695-2-13	2001 ²⁾

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Publication	Year	Title	EN/HD	Year
IEC 60695-11-10	-1)	Fire hazard testing - Part 11-10: Test flames - 50 W horizontal and vertical flame test methods	EN 60695-11-10	1999 ²⁾
IEC 60695-11-20	-1)	Fire hazard testing - Part 11-20: Test flames - 500 W flame test methods	EN 60695-11-20	1999 ²⁾
IEC/TR 60755	-1)	General requirements for residual current operated protective devices	-	-
IEC 60947-4-1	2009	Low-voltage switchgear and controlgear - Part 4-1: Contactors and motor-starters - Electromechanical contactors and motor-starters	EN 60947-4-1	2010
+A1	2012		+A1	2012
IEC 60947-7-1	2002	Low-voltage switchgear and controlgear - Part 7-1: Ancillary equipment - Terminal blocks for copper conductors	EN 60947-7-1	2002
IEC 60947-7-2	2002	Low-voltage switchgear and controlgear - Part 7-2: Ancillary equipment - Terminal blocks for copper conductors	EN 60947-7-2	2002
IEC 60990	1999	Methods of measurement of touch current and protective conductor current	EN 60990	1999
IEC 61230 (mod)	-1)	Live working - Portable equipment for earthing or earthing and short-circuiting	EN 61230 +A11	1995 ²⁾ 1999
IEC 61800-1	-1)	Adjustable speed electrical power drive systems - Part 1: General requirements - Rating specifications for low voltage adjustable speed d.c. power drive systems	EN 61800-1	1998 ²⁾
IEC 61800-2	-1)	Adjustable speed electrical power drive systems - Part 2: General requirements - Rating specifications for low voltage adjustable frequency a.c. power drive systems	EN 61800-2	1998 ²⁾
IEC 61800-4	-1)	Adjustable speed electrical power drive systems - Part 4: General requirements - Rating specifications for a.c. power drive systems above 1 000 V a.c. and not exceeding 35 kV	EN 61800-4	2003 ²⁾
IEC 62020	-1)	Electrical accessories - Residual current monitors for household and similar uses (RCMs)	-	-
IEC 62271-102	-1)	High-voltage switchgear and controlgear - Part 102: Alternating current disconnectors and earthing switches	EN 62271-102 + corr. March	2002 ²⁾ 2005
ISO 3864	Series	Graphical symbols - Safety colours and safety signs	-	-
ISO 7000	2004	Graphical symbols for use on equipment - Index and synopsis	-	-

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

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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:	Ref. of all Clauses from the CLC/TC 22X Committee standard, that are linked to the Safety Objectives	Remarks & Notes from CLC/TC 22X Secretariat
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	6	
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;	4.3.8 6.1, 6.2, 6.3, 6.4, 6.5	
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.	1, 2, 3 6.2, 6.3, 6.4, 6.5	

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		
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;	4.1, 4.2, 4.3, 4.4, 4.5 Annex C 5.1, 5.2.1, 5.2.2, 5.2.3, 5.2.4	
2 b) temperatures, arcs or radiation which would cause a danger, are not produced;	4.1, 4.2, 4.3, 4.4 5.1, 5.2.3, 5.2.4, 5.2.5, 5.2.8	Hazards arising from electric, magnetic and electromagnetic fields, other ionizing and non-ionizing radiation are covered by separate standards.
2 c) persons, domestic animals and property are adequately protected against non-electrical dangers caused by the electrical equipment which are revealed by experience;	4.1, 4.2, 4.5 5.1, 5.2.1, 5.2.2, 5.2.4	
2 d) the insulation is suitable for foreseeable conditions.	4.1, 4.2, 4.3.6, 4.4. 5.1, 5.2.1, 5.2.3, 5.2.4, 5.2.5	
3. Protection against hazards which may be caused by external influences on the electrical equipment		
3 a) meets the expected mechanical requirements in such a way that persons, domestic animals and property are not endangered;	4.1, 4.2, 4.3, 4.3.7, 4.5, 4.6 5.1, 5.2.1, 5.2.2, 5.2.6.	
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;	4.1, 4.5.3, 4.6 5.1, 5.2.1, 5.2.6, 5.2.7	
3 c) does not endanger persons, domestic animals and property in foreseeable conditions of overload.	4.1, 4.2, 4.4.6 5.1, 5.2.1, 5.2.4, 5.2.8 6	

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- a) addition of alphabetical [Table 1](#) in [Clause 3](#);
- b) addition of [Table 2](#) in [4.1](#) for relevance to PDS/CDM/BDM;
- c) addition of [Table 4](#) summary of decisive voltage class requirements;
- d) expansion of subclause on protective bonding ([4.3.5.3](#));

- e) clarification of distinction between touch current and protective conductor current;
- f) revision of section on insulation (now [4.3.6](#)) to include solid insulation;
- g) addition of overvoltage categories I and II to HV insulation voltage;
- h) revision of section on Solid insulation (now [4.3.6.8](#))
- i) addition of high-frequency insulation requirements ([4.3.6.9](#), [Annex E](#));
- j) addition of requirements for liquid-cooled PDS ([4.4.5](#));
- k) addition of climatic and vibration tests ([5.2.6](#));
- l) clarification of voltage test procedure to avoid over-stress of basic insulation ([5.2.3.2.3](#));
- m) revision of short-circuit test requirement for large, high-voltage and one-off PDS (now [5.2.3.6](#));
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1 Scope

This part of IEC 61800 specifies requirements for adjustable speed *power drive systems*, or their elements, with respect to electrical, thermal and energy safety considerations. It does not cover the driven equipment except for interface requirements. It applies to adjustable speed electric drive systems which include the power conversion, drive control, and motor or motors. Excluded are traction and electric vehicle drives. It applies to d.c. drive systems connected to line voltages up to 1 kV a.c., 50 Hz or 60 Hz and a.c. drive systems with converter input voltages up to 35 kV, 50 Hz or 60 Hz and output voltages up to 35 kV.

Other parts of IEC 61800 cover rating specifications, EMC, functional safety, etc.

The scope of this part of IEC 61800 does not include devices used as component parts of a *PDS* if they comply with the safety requirements of a relevant product standard for the same environment. For example, motors used in *PDS* shall comply with the relevant parts of IEC 60034.

Unless specifically stated, the requirements of this International Standard apply to all parts of the *PDS*, including the *CDM/BDM* (see [Figure 1](#)).

NOTE In some cases, safety requirements of the *PDS* (for example, protection against direct contact) can necessitate the use of special components and/or additional measures.

2 Normative references

The following referenced documents 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.

NOTE This does not mean that compliance is required with all clauses of the referenced documents, but rather that this international standard makes a reference that cannot be understood in the absence of the referenced document.

IEC 60034 (all parts), *Rotating electrical machines*

IEC 60034-1, *Rotating electrical machines — Part 1: Rating and performance*

[IEC 60034-5](#), *Rotating electrical machines — Part 5: Degrees of protection provided by the integral design of rotating electrical machines (IP code) — Classification*

[IEC 60050-111](#), *International Electrotechnical Vocabulary (IEV) — Chapter 111: Physics and chemistry*

IEC 60050-151, *International Electrotechnical Vocabulary (IEV) — Part 151: Electrical and magnetic devices*

IEC 60050-161, *International Electrotechnical Vocabulary (IEV) — Chapter 161: Electromagnetic compatibility*

[IEC 60050-191](#), *International Electrotechnical Vocabulary (IEV) — Chapter 191: Dependability and quality of service*

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[IEC 60050-442](#), *International Electrotechnical Vocabulary (IEV) — Part 442: Electrical accessories*

[IEC 60050-551](#), *International Electrotechnical Vocabulary (IEV) — Part 551: Power electronics*

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[IEC 60068-2-2:1974](#), *Environmental testing — Part 2: Tests. Tests B: Dry heat*

[IEC 60068-2-6](#), *Environmental testing — Part 2: Tests — Test Fc: Vibration (sinusoidal)*

[IEC 60068-2-78](#), *Environmental testing — Part 78: Tests — Test Cab: Damp heat, steady state*

[IEC 60112:2003](#), *Method for the determination of the proof and the comparative tracking indices of solid insulating materials*

[IEC 60204-11](#), *Safety of machinery — Electrical equipment of machines — Part 11: Requirements for HV equipment for voltages above 1 000 V a.c. or 1 500 V d.c. and not exceeding 36 kV*

IEC 60309, *Plugs, socket-outlets and couplers for industrial purposes*

IEC 60364-1, *Low-voltage electrical installations — Part 1: Fundamental principles, assessment of general characteristics, definitions*

[A1] IEC 60364-4-41:2005, *Low-voltage electrical installations — Part 4-41: Protection for safety — Protection against electric shock*

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IEC 60417, *Graphical symbols for use on equipment*

IEC 60529:1989, *Degrees of protection provided by enclosures (IP code)*

IEC 60617, *Graphical symbols for diagrams*

[IEC 60664-1:1992](#), *Insulation coordination for equipment within low-voltage systems — Part 1: Principles, requirements and tests*²⁾ Amendment 1 (2000) Amendment 2 (2002)

[IEC 60664-3:2003](#), *Insulation coordination for equipment within low-voltage systems — Part 3: Use of coating, potting or moulding for protection against pollution*

[IEC 60664-4:2005](#), *Insulation coordination for equipment within low-voltage systems — Part 4: Consideration of high-frequency voltage stress*

[IEC 60695-2-10](#), *Fire hazard testing — Part 2-10: Glowing/hot-wire based test methods — Glow-wire apparatus and common test procedure*

[IEC 60695-2-13](#), *Fire hazard testing — Part 2-13: Glowing/hot-wire based test methods — Glow-wire ignitability test method for materials*

[IEC 60695-11-10](#), *Fire hazard testing — Part 11-10: Test flames — 50 W horizontal and vertical flame test methods*

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IEC 61230, *Live working — Portable equipment for earthing or earthing and short-circuiting*

[IEC 61800-1](#), *Adjustable speed electrical power drive systems — Part 1: General requirements — Rating specifications for low voltage adjustable speed d.c. power drive systems*

[IEC 61800-2](#), *Adjustable speed electrical power drive systems — Part 2: General requirements — Rating specifications for low voltage adjustable frequency a.c. power drive systems*

[IEC 61800-4](#), *Adjustable speed electrical power drive systems — Part 4: General requirements — Rating specifications for a.c. power drive systems above 1 000 V a.c. and not exceeding 35 kV*

[IEC 62020](#), *Electrical accessories — Residual current monitors for household and similar uses (RCMs)*

[IEC 62271-102](#), *High-voltage switchgear and controlgear — Part 102: Alternating current disconnectors and earthing switches*

ISO 3864 (all parts), *Graphical symbols — Safety colours and safety signs*

[ISO 7000:2004](#), *Graphical symbols for use on equipment — Index and synopsis*

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this international standard, the terms and definitions given in [IEC 60050-111](#), IEC 60050-151, IEC 60050-161, [IEC 60050-191](#), IEC 60050-441, [IEC 60050-442](#), [IEC 60050-551](#), IEC 60050-601, [IEC 60664-1](#), [IEC 61800-1](#), [IEC 61800-2](#), IEC 61800-3 and [IEC 61800-4](#) (some of which are repeated below for convenience), and the following definitions apply.

[Table 1](#) provides an alphabetical cross-reference listing of terms.

Table 1 — Alphabetical list of terms

Term	Term number	Term	Term number	Term	Term number
adjacent circuit	3.1	(earth) leakage current	3.16	protective screening	3.31
basic drive module (BDM)	3.2	live part	3.17	protective separation	3.32
basic insulation	3.3	low-voltage PDS	3.18	reinforced insulation	3.33
CDM (complete drive module)	3.4	open-type (product)	3.19	routine test	3.34
closed electrical operating area	3.5	power drive system (PDS)	3.20	safety ELV (SELV) circuit	3.35
commissioning test	3.6	protective ELV (PELV) circuit	3.21	sample test	3.36
decisive voltage class (DVC)	3.7	prospective short-circuit current	3.22	supplementary insulation	3.37
double insulation	3.8	protective bonding	3.23	system voltage	3.38
extra low voltage (ELV)	3.9	protective class 0	3.24	temporary overvoltage	3.39
electrical breakdown	3.10	protective class I	3.25	touch current	3.40
expected lifetime	3.11	protective class II	3.26	type test	3.41
functional insulation	3.12	protective class III	3.27	user terminal	3.42
high-voltage PDS	3.13	protective earthing (PE)	3.28	working voltage	3.43

Table 1 (continued)

Term	Term number	Term	Term number	Term	Term number
installation	3.14	protective earthing conductor	3.29	zone of equipotential bonding	3.44
integrated PDS	3.15	protective impedance	3.30		

3.1**adjacent circuit**

circuit having no galvanic connection to the circuit under consideration

NOTE A protective impedance is not considered to be a galvanic connection.

3.2**basic drive module (BDM)**

drive module, consisting of a converter section and a control section for speed, torque, current or voltage, etc. (see [Figure 1](#))

3.3**basic insulation**

insulation applied to *live parts* to provide basic protection against electrical shock

[SOURCE: IEC 826-12-14, modified]

3.4**complete drive module****CDM**

drive system, without the motor and the sensors which are mechanically coupled to the motor shaft, consisting of, but not limited to, the *BDM*, and extensions such as feeding section and auxiliaries (see [Figure 1](#))

3.5**closed electrical operating area**

room or location for electrical equipment to which access is restricted to skilled or instructed persons by the opening of a door or the removal of a barrier by the use of a key or tool and which is clearly marked by appropriate warning signs

3.6**commissioning test**

test on a device or equipment performed on site, to prove the correctness of installation and operation

[SOURCE: IEC 151-16-24, modified]

3.7**decisive voltage class****DVC**

classification of voltage range used to determine the protective measures against electric shock

3.8**double insulation**

insulation comprising both *basic insulation* and *supplementary insulation*

[SOURCE: IEC 826-12-16]

NOTE *Basic* and *supplementary insulation* are separate, each designed for basic protection against electric shock.

3.9 extra low voltage ELV

any voltage not exceeding 50 V a.c. r.m.s. and 120 V d.c.

NOTE 1 R.M.S. ripple voltage of not more than 10 % of the d.c. component.

NOTE 2 In this international standard, protection against electric shock is dependent on the *decisive voltage classification*. DVC A and B are contained in the voltage range of ELV.

3.10 electrical breakdown

failure of insulation under electric stress when the discharge completely bridges the insulation, thus reducing the voltage between the electrodes almost to zero

[SOURCE: IEC 60664-1:1992, definition 1.3.20]

3.11 expected lifetime

minimum duration for which the safety performance characteristics are valid at rated conditions of operation

3.12 functional insulation

insulation between conductive parts within a circuit, which is necessary for the proper functioning of the circuit, but which does not provide protection against electric shock

3.13 high-voltage PDS

product with rated supply voltage between 1 kV and 35 kV a.c., 50 Hz or 60 Hz

NOTE These products fall into the scope of [IEC 61800-4](#)

3.14 installation

equipment or equipments including at least the PDS and the driven equipment (see [Figure 1](#))

NOTE The word “installation” is also used in this international standard to denote the process of installing a PDS/CDM/BDM. In these cases, the word does not appear in italics.

3.15 integrated PDS

PDS where motor and CDM/BDM are mechanically integrated into a single unit

3.16 (earth) leakage current

current flowing from the *live parts* of the *installation* to earth, in the absence of an insulation fault

[SOURCE: IEC 442-01-24]

3.17 live part

conductor or conductive part intended to be energized in normal use, including a neutral conductor but not a protective earth neutral

3.18 low-voltage PDS

product with rated supply voltage up to 1 000 V a.c., 50 Hz or 60 Hz

NOTE These products fall into the scope of [IEC 61800-1](#) or [IEC 61800-2](#).

3.19

open type (product)

(product) intended for incorporation within enclosure or assembly which will provide access protection

3.20

power drive system

PDS

system for the speed control of an electric motor, including the *CDM* and motor but not the driven equipment (see [Figure 1](#))

3.21

protective *ELV* (*PELV*) circuit

electrical circuit with the following characteristics:

- the voltage does not continuously exceed *ELV* under single fault as well as normal conditions;
- *protective separation* from circuits other than *PELV* or *SELV*;
- provisions for earthing of the *PELV circuit*, or its accessible conductive parts, or both

3.22

prospective short-circuit current

current which flows when the supply conductors to the circuit are short-circuited by a conductor of negligible impedance located as near as possible to the supply terminals of the *PDS/CDM/BDM*

3.23

protective bonding

electrical connection of conductive parts for safety purposes

3.24

protective class 0

equipment in which protection against electric shock relies only upon *basic insulation*

NOTE Equipment of this class becomes hazardous in the event of a failure of the *basic insulation*.

3.25

protective class I

equipment in which protection against electric shock does not rely on *basic insulation* only, but which includes an additional safety precaution in such a way that means are provided for the connection of accessible conductive parts to the *protective (earthing) conductor* in the fixed wiring of the *installation*, so that accessible conductive parts cannot become live in the event of a failure of the *basic insulation*

3.26

protective class II

equipment in which protection against electric shock does not rely on *basic insulation* only, but in which additional safety precautions such as *supplementary insulation* or *reinforced insulation* are provided, there being no provision for *protective earthing* or reliance upon installation conditions

3.27

protective class III

equipment in which protection against electric shock relies on supply at *ELV* and in which voltages higher than those of *ELV* are not generated and there is no provision for *protective earthing*

[SOURCE: see IEC 61140, subclause 7.4]

3.28

protective earthing (PE)

earthing of a point in a system, or equipment, for protection against electric shock in case of a fault

3.29**protective earthing conductor**

protective conductor provided for *protective earthing*

[SOURCE: IEC 195-02-11]

3.30**protective impedance**

impedance connected between *live parts* and accessible conductive parts, of such value that the current, in normal use and under likely fault conditions, is limited to a safe value, and which is so constructed that its reliability is maintained throughout the life of the equipment

[SOURCE: IEC 442-04-24, modified]

3.31**protective screening**

separation of circuits from hazardous live-parts by means of an interposed conductive screen, connected to the means of connection for a *protective earthing conductor*

3.32**protective separation**

separation between circuits by means of basic and supplementary protection (*basic insulation* plus *supplementary insulation* or *protective screening*) or by an equivalent protective provision (for example, *reinforced insulation*)

3.33**reinforced insulation**

single insulation system, applied to *live parts*, which provides a degree of protection against electric shock equivalent to *double insulation* under the conditions specified in the relevant IEC standard

[SOURCE: IEC 60664-1: 1992, definition 1.3.17.5]

3.34**routine test**

test to which each individual device is subjected during or after manufacture to ascertain whether it complies with certain criteria

[SOURCE: IEC 151-16-17]

3.35**Safety ELV (SELV) circuit**

electrical circuit with the following characteristics:

- the voltage does not exceed *ELV*;
- *protective separation* from circuits other than *SELV* or *PELV*;
- no provisions for earthing of the *SELV circuit*, or its accessible conductive parts;
- *basic insulation* of the *SELV circuit* from earth and from *PELV circuits*

3.36**sample test**

test on a number of devices taken at random from a batch

[SOURCE: IEC 151-16-20, modified]

3.37

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*

[SOURCE: IEC 60664-1: 1992, definition 1.3.17.3]

NOTE *Basic* and *supplementary insulation* are separate, each designed for basic protection against electric shock.

3.38

system voltage

voltage used to determine insulation requirements

NOTE See [4.3.6.2.1](#) for further consideration of *system voltage*.

3.39

temporary overvoltage

overvoltage at the supply frequency of relatively long duration

[SOURCE: IEC 60664-1:1992, definition 1.3.7.1, modified]

3.40

touch current

electric current passing through a human body or through an animal body when it touches one or more accessible parts of an electrical installation or electrical equipment

[SOURCE: IEC 826-11-12]

3.41

type test

test of one or more devices made to a certain design to show that the design meets certain specifications

[SOURCE: IEC 151-16-16, modified]

3.42

user terminal

terminal provided for external connection to the *PDS/CDM/BDM*

3.43

working voltage

voltage, at rated supply conditions (without tolerances) and worst case operating conditions, which occurs by design in a circuit or across insulation

NOTE The *working voltage* can be d.c. or a.c. Both the r.m.s. and recurring peak values are used.

3.44

zone of equipotential bonding

zone where all simultaneously accessible conductive parts are electrically connected to prevent hazardous voltages appearing between them

NOTE For equipotential bonding, it is not necessary for the parts to be earthed.

3.45

electronic motor overload protection

PDS/CDM/BDM circuitry which protects a motor during overload conditions by reducing current to the motor

Note 1 to entry: The protection circuitry is usually a combination of hardware and software.

Note 2 to entry: This protection is typically achieved through an algorithm based on the I^2t of the current to the motor.

3.46**electronic power output short-circuit protection circuitry**

circuitry integral to *PDS/CDM/BDM* that acts to significantly reduce current flow to the power output upon sensing a short-circuit condition

Note 1 to entry: The protection circuitry is usually a combination of hardware and software.

3.47**thermal memory**

ability of an overload protective system to approximate the heating and cooling of a protected motor during operation

3.48**thermal memory retention**

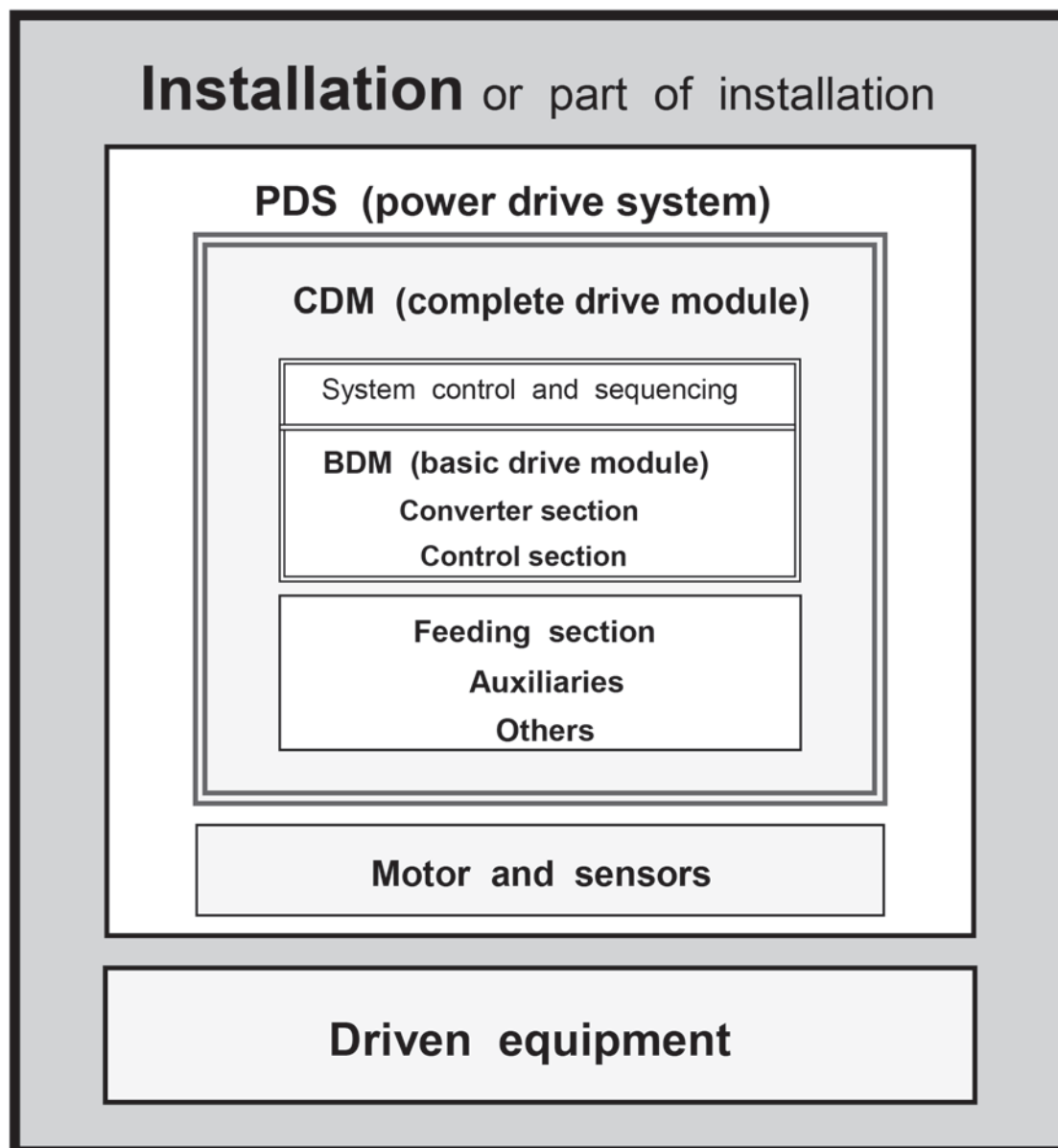
ability to retain a representation of the thermal state of a motor prior to shutdown or loss of power

Note 1 to entry: Typically, this information will be used by the overload protective system to approximate the thermal state of the motor upon restart.

Note 2 to entry: This may include an ongoing reduction of the thermal representation to reflect cooling of the motor during shutdown or loss of power.

3.49**trip**

controlled rapid reduction or elimination of the transfer of energy to any device or process initiated by a detected fault or abnormal operating condition



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Figure 1 — *PDS* hardware configuration within an *installation*

4 Protection against electric shock, thermal, and energy hazards

4.1 General

This [Clause 4](#) defines the minimum requirements for the design and construction of a *PDS*, to ensure its safety during installation, normal operating conditions and maintenance for the *expected lifetime* of the *PDS*. Consideration is also given to minimising hazards resulting from reasonably foreseeable misuse.

[Table 2](#) shows the application of the requirements of this [Clause 4](#) to *PDS*, *CDM* or *BDM*.

Table 2 — Relevance of requirements to *PDS/CDM/BDM*

Subclause	Title	<i>PDS</i> ^a	<i>CDM/</i> <i>BDM</i>
4.2	(Protection against electric shock, thermal, and energy hazards) - Fault conditions	A	A
4.3.1	<i>Decisive voltage classification</i>	A	A
4.3.2	<i>Protective separation</i>	A	A
4.3.3	Protection against direct contact	A	C
4.3.4	Protection in case of direct contact	A	C
4.3.5.1	(Protection against indirect contact) - General	A	A
4.3.5.2	Insulation between <i>live parts</i> and accessible conductive parts	A	C
4.3.5.3	<i>Protective bonding circuit</i>	A	C
4.3.5.4	<i>Protective earthing conductor</i>	A	A
4.3.5.5	Means of connection for the <i>protective earthing conductor</i>	A	A
4.3.5.6	Special features in equipment for <i>protective class II</i>	A	C
4.3.6	Insulation	A	A
4.3.7	Enclosures	A	C
4.3.8	Wiring and connections	A	A
4.3.9	Output short-circuit requirements	A	A
4.3.10	Residual current-operated protective (RCD) or monitoring (RCM) device compatibility	A	C
4.3.11	Capacitor discharge	A	A
4.3.12	Access conditions for <i>high-voltage PDS</i>	A	C
4.4	Protection against thermal hazards	A	A
4.4.3	Flammability of enclosure materials	A	C
4.4.5	Specific requirements for liquid cooled <i>PDS</i>	A	A
4.5	Protection against energy hazards	A	A
4.5.2	Mechanical energy hazards	A	C
4.6	Protection against environmental stresses	A	A
<p>A Requirement always relevant.</p> <p>C Requirement relevant unless <i>CDM</i> or <i>BDM</i> is incorporated into an assembly that provides the required protection.</p> <p>^a <i>Integrated PDS</i> shall meet the requirement for <i>PDS</i>.</p>			

4.2 Fault conditions

PDS shall be designed to avoid operating modes or sequences that can cause a fault condition or component failure leading to a hazard, unless other measures to prevent the hazard are provided by the *installation*.

Protection against thermal hazards and electric shock shall be maintained in single fault conditions as well as under normal conditions.

Circuit analysis shall be performed to identify components (including insulation systems) whose failure would result in a thermal or electric shock hazard. The analysis shall include the effect of short-circuit and open-circuit conditions of the component. The analysis need not include power semiconductor devices if equivalent testing is accomplished during short-circuit tests, or components which have been determined to have an insignificant probability of failure during the *expected lifetime* of the *PDS*. See [5.2.3.6.4](#) for test.

NOTE It is possible that no critical components will be revealed by the analysis. In this case, no component failure testing is required.

Consideration shall be given to potential safety hazards associated with major component parts of the PDS, such as motor rotating parts and flammability of transformer and capacitor oils.

4.3 Protection against electric shock

4.3.1 Decisive voltage classification

4.3.1.1 Use of decisive voltage class (DVC)

Protective measures against electric shock depend on the *decisive voltage classification* of the circuit according to [Table 3](#), which correlates the limits of the *working voltage* within the circuit with the DVC. The DVC in turn determines the minimum required level of protection for the circuit.

4.3.1.2 Limits of DVC

Table 3 — Summary of the limits of the decisive voltage classes

DVC	Limits of working voltage (V)			Subclause
	a.c. voltage (r.m.s.) U_{ACL}	a.c. voltage (peak) U_{ACPL}	d.c. voltage (mean) U_{DCL}	
A ^a	25	35,4	60	4.3.4.2, 4.3.4.4
B	50	71	120	4.3.5.3.1 a), b)
C	1 000	4 500 ^b	1 500	
D	> 1 000	> 4 500	> 1 500	

^a For equipment having only one DVC A circuit, the r.m.s. and peak voltage limits are 30 V and 42,4 V respectively.

^b The value of 4 500 V allows all *low-voltage PDS* to be covered by [Table 7](#) (possible reflections up to $3 \times \sqrt{2} \times 1\,000\text{ V} = 4\,242\text{ V}$).

4.3.1.3 Requirements for protection

[Table 4](#) shows the requirements for the application of *basic insulation* or *protective separation*, dependent on the DVC of the circuit under consideration and of *adjacent circuits*.

Table 4 — Protection requirements for considered circuit

DVC of considered circuit	Protection required against direct contact	Insulation to earthed parts	Insulation to accessible conductive parts that are not earthed	Insulation to adjacent circuit of DVC:			
				A	B	C	D
A	No	a [*]	a	f [*]	b	p [‡]	p
B	Yes	b	p		b	p [‡]	p
C	Yes	b	p			b	p
D	Yes	b	p				b

^a Insulation is not necessary for safety, but may be required for functional reasons.

^{*} If the considered circuit is designated as a *SELV circuit*, *basic insulation* is required from earth and from *PELV circuits*.

^f *Functional insulation* for circuit of higher voltage.

^b *Basic insulation* for circuit of higher voltage.

^p *Protective separation* for circuit of higher voltage.

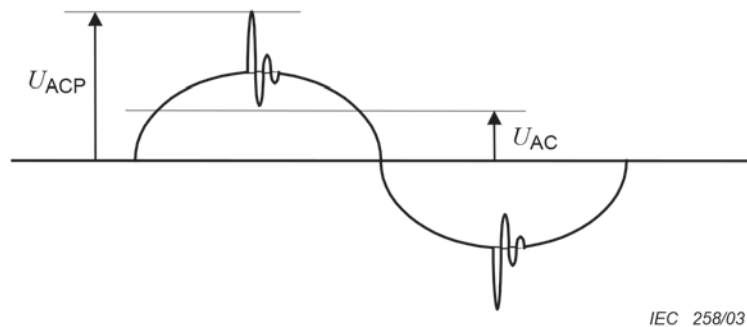
[‡] It is permitted to use *basic insulation* for the circuit of higher voltage if protection against direct contact is applied to the considered circuit by *basic* or *supplementary insulation* for the circuit of higher voltage.

4.3.1.4 Circuit evaluation

4.3.1.4.1 General

The *DVC* of a given circuit is evaluated by the method set out below, three cases of waveforms being considered.

4.3.1.4.2 A.C. working voltage (see Figure 2)



Key

U_{AC}	r.m.s. voltage
U_{ACP}	recurring peak voltage

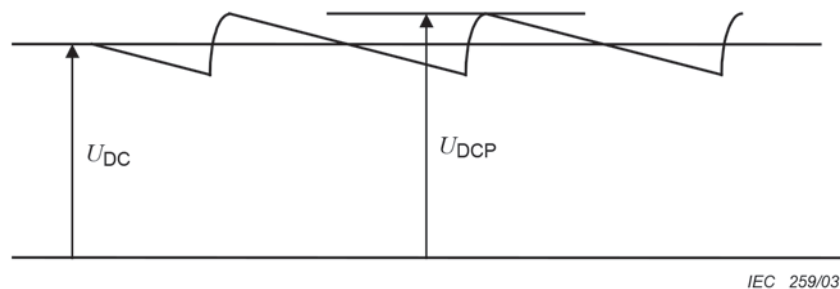
Figure 2 — Typical waveform for a.c. working voltage

The *working voltage* has an r.m.s. value U_{AC} and a recurring peak value U_{ACP} .

The *DVC* is that of the lowest voltage row of [Table 3](#) for which both of the following conditions are satisfied.

- $U_{AC} \leq U_{ACL}$
- $U_{ACP} \leq U_{ACPL}$

4.3.1.4.3 D.C. working voltage (see Figure 3)



Key

U_{DC}	mean voltage
U_{DCP}	recurring peak voltage

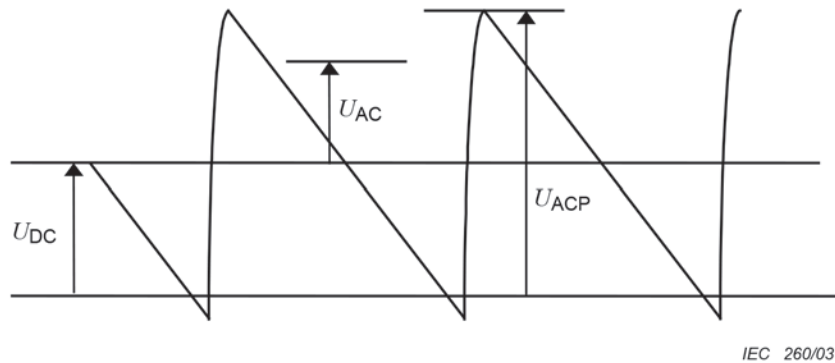
Figure 3 — Typical waveform for d.c. working voltage

The *working voltage* has a mean value U_{DC} and a recurring peak value U_{DCP} , caused by a ripple voltage of r.m.s. value not greater than 10 % of U_{DC} .

The *DVC* is that of the lowest voltage row of [Table 3](#) for which both of the following conditions are satisfied.

- $U_{DC} \leq U_{DCL}$
- $U_{DCP} \leq 1,17 \times U_{DCL}$

4.3.1.4.4 Pulsating working voltage (see [Figure 4](#))



Key

U_{DC}	mean voltage
U_{DCP}	recurring peak voltage

Figure 4 — Typical waveform for pulsating working voltage

The *working voltage* has a mean value U_{DC} and a recurring peak value U_{ACP} , caused by a ripple voltage of r.m.s. value U_{AC} greater than 10 % of U_{DC} .

The *DVC* is that of the lowest voltage row of [Table 3](#) for which both of the following conditions are satisfied.

- $U_{AC}/U_{ACL} + U_{DC}/U_{DCL} \leq 1$
- $U_{ACP}/U_{ACPL} + U_{DC}/(1,17 \times U_{DCL}) \leq 1$

4.3.2 Protective separation

Protective separation shall be achieved by application of materials resistant to degradation, as well as by special constructive measures; and

- by *double or reinforced insulation*,
- or
- by *protective screening*, i.e. by a conductive screen connected to earth by *protective bonding* of the *PDS*, or connected to the protective earth conductor itself, whereby the screen is separated from *live parts* by at least *basic insulation*,
- or
- by *protective impedance* according to [4.3.4.3](#) comprising limitation of discharge energy and of current, or by limitation of voltage according to [4.3.4.4](#).

The *protective separation* shall be fully and effectively maintained under all conditions of intended use of the *PDS*.

4.3.3 Protection against direct contact

4.3.3.1 General

Protection against direct contact is employed to prevent persons from touching *live parts* which do not meet the requirements of 4.3.4. It shall be provided by one or more of the measures given in 4.3.3.2 and 4.3.3.3.

For *integrated PDS* the motor shall meet the requirements of IEC 60034-5. For the *BDM* the protection shall be provided by one or more of the measures given in 4.3.3.2 and 4.3.3.3.

4.3.3.2 Protection by means of insulation of *live parts*

Live parts shall be completely surrounded with insulation if their *working voltage* is greater than the maximum limit of DVC A or if they do not have *protective separation* from *adjacent circuits* of DVC C or D. The insulation shall be rated according to the impulse voltage, *temporary overvoltage* or *working voltage* (see 4.3.6.2.1), whichever gives the most severe requirement. It shall not be possible to remove the insulation without the use of a tool.

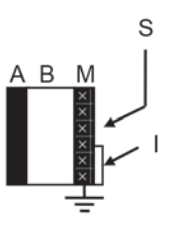
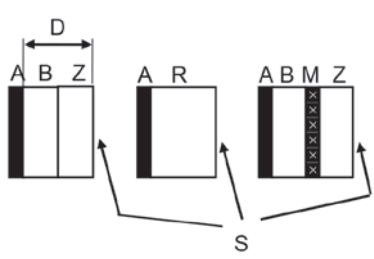
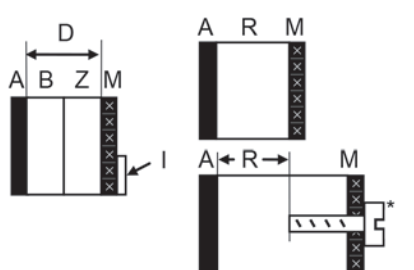
Any conductive part which is not separated from the *live parts* by at least *basic insulation* is considered to be a *live part*. A metallic accessible part is considered to be conductive if its surface is bare or is covered by an insulating layer which does not comply with the requirements of *basic insulation*.

As an alternative to solid or liquid insulation, a clearance according to 4.3.6.4, shown by L_1 and L_2 in Figure 5, may be provided.

The grade of insulation - *basic*, *double* or *reinforced* - depends on:

- the DVC of the *live parts* or *adjacent circuits*,
- and
- the connection of conductive parts to earth by *protective bonding*.

Examples of insulation configurations are given in Figure 5, which also shows the requirements for apertures.

Type of insulation	Insulation configuration		
	a	b	c
	Accessible parts conductive and connected to earth by <i>protective bonding</i>	Accessible parts not conductive	Accessible parts conductive, but NOT connected to earth by <i>protective bonding</i>
1) Solid or liquid			

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	Accessible parts conductive and connected to earth by <i>protective bonding</i>	Accessible parts not conductive	Accessible parts conductive, but NOT connected to earth by <i>protective bonding</i>		
2) Totally or partially by air clearance					
3) Insulation for adjacent circuits: Circuit A: lower voltage circuit Circuit C: higher voltage circuit; upper row - DVC C only, lower row - DVC C or D					
4) Requirements for apertures in enclosures					
A	live part	L1	clearance for <i>basic insulation</i>	T	test finger (Clause 12 of IEC 60529)
B	basic insulation for circuit A	L2	clearance for <i>reinforced insulation</i>	Z	<i>supplementary insulation</i> for circuit A
Bc	basic insulation for circuit C	M	conductive part	Zc	<i>supplementary insulation</i> for circuit C
C	adjacent circuit	R	<i>reinforced insulation</i> for circuit A	*	also applies to plastic screws
D	double insulation for circuit A	Rc	<i>reinforced insulation</i> for circuit C	F	<i>functional insulation</i> for circuit A
I	insulation less than B	S	surface of equipment		

NOTE 1: In column c a plastic screw is treated like a metal screw because a user could replace it with a metal screw during the life of the equipment.

NOTE 2: In row 4), the insertion of the test finger is considered to represent the first fault.

Figure 5 — Examples for protection against direct contact

Three cases are considered:

Case a): Accessible parts are conductive and are connected to earth by *protective bonding*.

- *Basic insulation* is required between accessible parts and the *live parts*. The relevant voltage is that of the *live parts* (see [Figure 5](#), cells 1)a), 2)a), 3)a)).

Cases b) and c): Accessible parts are non-conductive (case b)) or conductive but not connected to earth by *protective bonding* (case c)). The required insulation is:

- *double or reinforced insulation* between accessible parts and *live parts* of DVC C or D. The relevant voltage is that of the *live parts* (see [Figure 5](#), cells 1)b), 1)c), 2)b), 2)c)).
- *supplementary insulation* between accessible parts and *live parts* of circuits of DVC A or B which are separated by *basic insulation* from *adjacent circuits* of DVC C. The relevant voltage is the highest voltage of the *adjacent circuits* (see [Figure 5](#), upper cells 3)b), 3)c)).
- *basic insulation* between accessible parts and *live parts* of circuits of DVC B which have *protective separation* from *adjacent circuits* of DVC C or D. The relevant voltage is that of the *live parts* (see [Figure 5](#), lower cells 3)b), 3)c)).

4.3.3.3 Protection by means of enclosures and barriers

Live parts of DVC B, C or D shall be arranged in enclosures or located behind enclosures or barriers, which meet at least the requirements of the Protective Type IPXXB according to 15.1 of [IEC 60529](#). The top surfaces of enclosures or barriers which are accessible when the equipment is energized shall meet at least the requirements of the Protective Type IP3X with regard to vertical access only. See [5.2.2.3](#) for test. It shall only be possible to open enclosures or remove barriers with the use of a tool or after de-energization of these *live parts*.

Where the enclosure is required to be opened and the PDS energised during installation or maintenance:

- accessible *live parts* of DVC B, C or D shall be protected to at least IPXXA;
- live parts* of DVC B, C or D that are likely to be touched when making adjustments shall be protected to at least IPXXB;
- it shall be ensured that persons are aware that *live parts* of DVC B, C or D are accessible.

Open type sub-assemblies and devices do not require protective measures against direct contact.

Products containing circuits of DVC A, B or C, intended for installation in *closed electrical operating areas*, as defined in [3.5](#), need not have protective measures against direct contact.

Products containing circuits of DVC D, intended for installation within a *closed electrical operating area*, have additional requirements (see [4.3.12](#)).

4.3.4 Protection in case of direct contact

4.3.4.1 General

Protection in case of direct contact is required to ensure that contact with *live parts* does not produce a shock hazard.

The protection against direct contact according to [4.3.3](#) is not required if the circuit contacted is separated from all other circuits according to [4.3.1.3](#), and:

- is of DVC A and complies with [4.3.4.2](#),
- or
- is current limited via a *protective impedance* according to [4.3.4.3](#),
- or

- is limited in voltage according to [4.3.4.4](#).

See [Annex A](#) for examples of these measures.

NOTE The requirements of these subclauses apply to the entire circuit including power supplies and any associated peripheral devices.

Compliance with *protective separation* requirements shall be verified according to [5.2.1](#), [5.2.2](#), and [5.2.3](#) as appropriate.

4.3.4.2 Protection using DVC A

Unearthed circuits of DVC A, and earthed circuits of DVC A used within a *zone of equipotential bonding* (see [3.44](#)), do not require protection in case of direct contact.

Earthed circuits of DVC A that are not within a *zone of equipotential bonding* require additional protection in case of direct contact, by one of the measures given in [4.3.4.3](#) or [4.3.4.4](#), in order to provide protection in cases where the earth reference potentials of the DVC A circuits are not the same. The instruction manual shall provide information concerning the use of these circuits (see [6.3.6.5](#)).

4.3.4.3 Protection by means of *protective impedance*

The connection of accessible *live parts* to circuits of DVC B, C or D, or to earthed circuits of DVC A not used within a *zone of equipotential bonding*, shall only be made through *protective impedances* (unless [4.3.4.4](#) applies).

The same constructional provisions as those for *protective separation* shall be applied for the construction and arrangement of a *protective impedance*. The current value stated below shall not be exceeded in the event of failure of a single component. The stored charge available between simultaneously accessible parts protected by the *protective impedance* shall not exceed 50 µC.

The *protective impedances* shall be designed so that the current available through them to earth at the accessible *live part* does not exceed a value of 3,5 mA a.c. or 10 mA d.c. See [5.2.3.4](#) for test.

The *protective impedances* shall be designed and tested to withstand the impulse voltages and *temporary overvoltages* for the circuits to which they are connected. See [5.2.3.1](#) and [5.2.3.2](#) for tests.

4.3.4.4 Protection by means of limited voltages

This type of protection implies a voltage division technique from a circuit protected against direct contact, resulting in a voltage to earth not greater than that of DVC A.

This circuit shall be designed so that, even in the event of failure of a single component in the voltage division circuit, the voltage across output terminals as well as the voltage to earth will not become greater than that of DVC A. The same constructional measures as in *protective separation* shall be employed in this case.

This type of protection shall not be used in case of *protective class II*, because it relies on protective earth being connected.

4.3.5 Protection against indirect contact

4.3.5.1 General

Protection against indirect contact is required to prevent shock currents which can result from accessible conductive parts during an insulation failure. This protection shall comply with the requirements for *protective class I*, *class II* or *class III*.

That part of a PDS which meets the requirements of [4.3.5.2](#), [4.3.5.3](#) and [4.3.5.3.2](#) is defined as *protective class I*.

That part of a *PDS* which meets the requirements of [4.3.5.6](#) is defined as *protective class II*.

That part of a *PDS* which meets the requirements of *SELV* is defined as *protective class III*.

Protective class 0 is only acceptable for parts of the *PDS* when instructions are provided to meet the requirements of [4.3.3.3](#) (*closed electrical operating areas*) (see [6.3.6.5](#)). In the case of *high-voltage PDS*, special requirements exist (see [4.3.12](#)).

4.3.5.2 Insulation between *live parts* and accessible conductive parts

Accessible conductive parts of equipment shall be separated from *live parts* at least by *basic insulation* or by clearances as in [4.3.6.4](#).

4.3.5.3 Protective bonding circuit

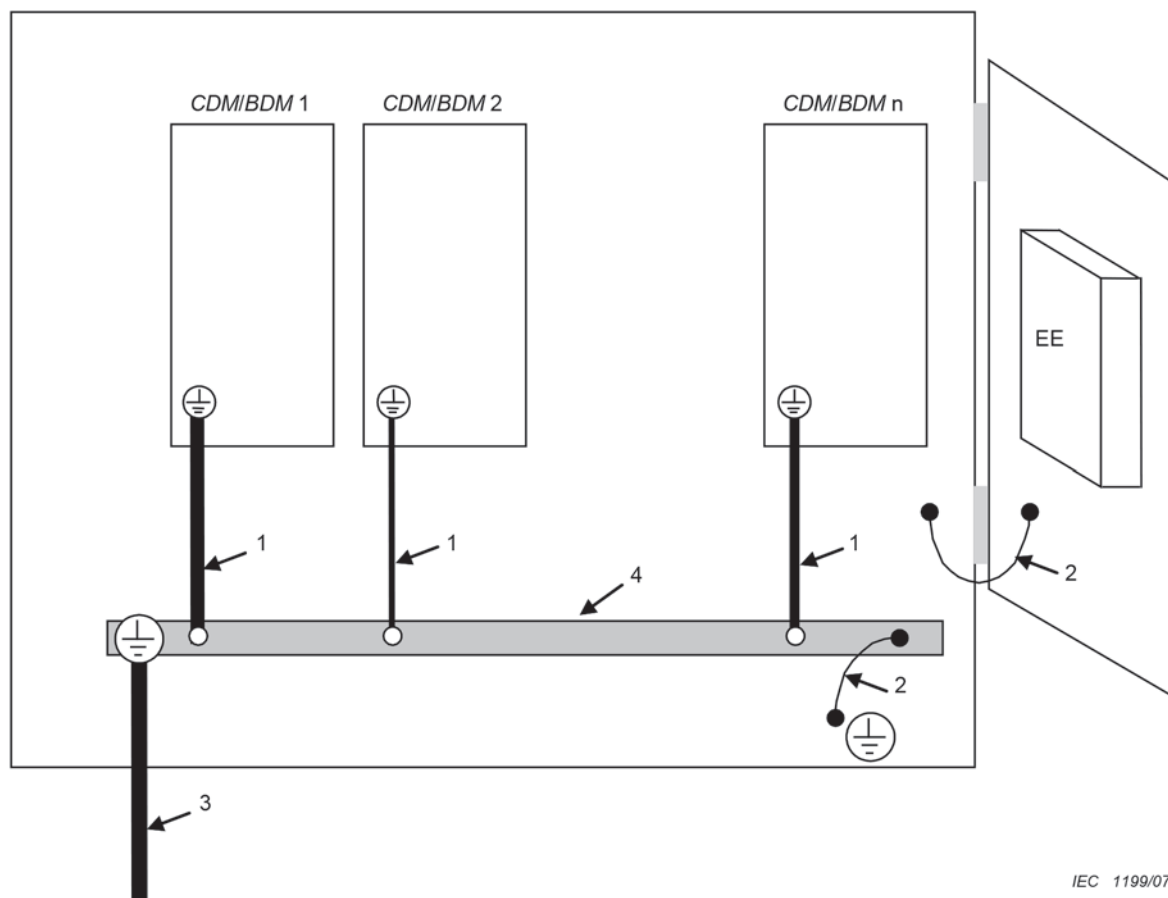
4.3.5.3.1 General

Other than in a) or b) below, *protective bonding* shall be provided between accessible conductive parts of equipment and the means of connection for the *protective earthing conductor*:

- a) when accessible conductive parts are protected by one of the measures in [4.3.4.2](#) to [4.3.4.4](#);
- b) when accessible conductive parts are separated from *live parts* using *double* or *reinforced insulation*.

NOTE Some examples of such parts are magnetic cores, screws, rivets, nameplates and cable clamps.

Figure 6 shows an example *CDM/BDM* assembly and its associated *protective bonding*.



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- 1 *CDM/BDM protective earthing conductor* (dimensioned according to *CDM/BDM* requirements)
 2 *Protective bonding*
 3 *PDS protective earthing conductor* (dimensioned according to *PDS* requirements) to *installation* earthing point
 4 *Earth bar*
 EE other *electrical equipment* (bonded as relevant for that equipment)

Figure 6 — Example of *protective bonding*

Electrical contact to the means of connection of the *protective earthing conductor* shall be achieved by one or more of the following means:

- through direct metallic contact;
- through other accessible conductive parts which are not removed when the *PDS/CDM/BDM* is used as intended;
- through a dedicated *protective bonding* conductor;
- through other metallic components of the *PDS/CDM/BDM*.

NOTE When painted surfaces (in particular powder painted surfaces) are joined together, then a separate connection should be made for reliable contact.

Where electrical equipment is mounted on lids, doors, or cover plates, continuity of the *protective bonding* circuit shall be ensured and it is recommended that a dedicated conductor be used. Otherwise fastenings, hinges or sliding contacts designed and maintained to have a low resistance shall be used.

Metal ducts of flexible or rigid construction and metallic sheaths shall not be used as protective conductors.

For *high-voltage PDS*, metal ducts and metal sheathing of all connecting cables (e.g. cable armouring, lead sheath) shall be connected to earth by the *protective bonding* circuit. If only one end of such ducting or sheathing is so connected, it shall not be possible to touch the other end. This shall be connected to earth by the *protective bonding* circuit via an impedance to limit any induced voltage to a maximum of 50 V a.c.

The *protective bonding* circuit shall not incorporate a switching device, an overcurrent device (e.g. switch, fuse) or means of current detection for such devices.

4.3.5.3.2 Rating of protective bonding

Protective bonding shall withstand the highest thermal and dynamic stresses that can occur to the *PDS/CDM/BDM* item(s) concerned when they are subjected to a fault connecting to accessible conductive parts.

The *protective bonding* shall remain effective for as long as a fault to the accessible conductive parts persists or until an upstream protective device removes power from the part.

NOTE In cases where the *protective bonding* is routed through conductors of low cross-section (for example, PWB tracks), particular care should be taken to ensure that no undetected damage to the bonding circuit can occur in the event of a fault.

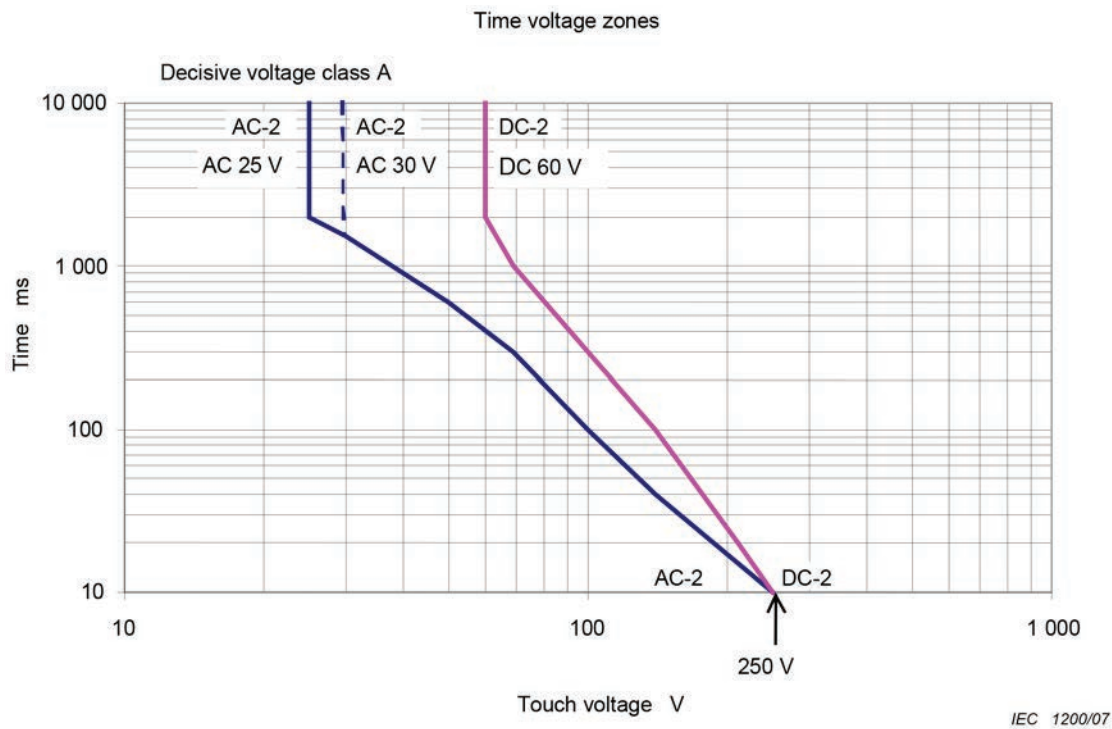
These conditions will be satisfied if the cross-section of the *protective bonding* conductor is the same as that for the *protective earthing conductor* according to [4.3.5.4](#). For testing, see [5.2.3.9](#).

Alternatively, *protective bonding* may be designed to meet the impedance requirements of [4.3.5.3.3](#).

4.3.5.3.3 Protective bonding impedance

The impedance of the *protective bonding* shall be sufficiently low that:

- during normal operation, no voltage exceeding continuously 5 V a.c. or 12 V d.c. can persist between the accessible conductive parts and the means of connection for the *protective earthing conductor*,
and
- under fault conditions, no voltage exceeding AC-2 or DC-2 in [Figure 7](#) can persist between accessible conductive parts and the means of connection for the *protective earthing conductor* until an upstream protective device removes power from the part. The upstream protective device considered for this requirement shall have the characteristics required by the installation manual according to [6.3.7](#).



NOTE The dashed line of AC-2 applies if only a single *DVC* A circuit is present; the solid line applies if more than one *DVC* A circuit is present.

Figure 7 — Voltage limits under fault conditions

For testing, see 5.2.3.9.

4.3.5.4 Protective earthing conductor

A *protective earthing conductor* shall be connected at all times when power is supplied to the *PDS/CDM/BDM*, unless the *PDS/CDM/BDM* complies with the requirements of *protective class II* (see 4.3.5.6). Unless local wiring regulations state otherwise, the *protective earthing conductor* cross-sectional area shall be determined from Table 5 or by calculation according to 543.1 of IEC 60364-5-54.

If the *protective earthing conductor* is routed through a plug and socket, or similar means of disconnection, it shall not be possible to disconnect it unless power is simultaneously removed from the part to be protected.

Table 5 — Protective earthing conductor cross-section

Cross-sectional area of phase conductors of the <i>PDS/CDM/BDM</i> <i>S</i> (mm ²)	Minimum cross-sectional area of the corresponding <i>protective earthing conductor</i> <i>S_p</i> (mm ²)
$S \leq 16$	<i>S</i>
$16 < S \leq 35$	16
$35 < S$	<i>S</i> /2

The values in Table 5 are valid only if the *protective earthing conductor* is made of the same metal as the phase conductors. If this is not so, the cross-sectional area of the *protective earthing conductor* shall be determined in a manner which produces a conductance equivalent to that which results from the application of Table 5.

The cross-sectional area of every *protective earthing conductor* which does not form part of the supply cable or cable enclosure shall, in any case, be not less than:

- 2,5 mm² if mechanical protection is provided,