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

Annex ZA of Part 1 is applicable.

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This edition includes the following significant technical changes with respect to the previous edition:

- a) adoption to IEC 60730-1:2022 with all of its significant changes to IEC 60730-1:2013, IEC 60730-1:2013/AMD1:2015 and IEC 60730-1:2013/AMD2:2020.

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A list of all parts of the IEC 60730 series, under the general title: *Automatic electrical controls*, can be found on the IEC website.

This part 2-13 is intended to be used in conjunction with IEC 60730-1. It was established on the basis of the sixth edition of that standard (2022). Consideration may be given to future editions of, or amendments to, IEC 60730-1.

This part 2-13 supplements or modifies the corresponding clauses in IEC 60730-1, so as to convert that publication into the IEC standard: Particular requirements for humidity sensing controls.

Where this part 2-13 states "addition", "modification" or "replacement", the relevant requirement, test specification or explanatory matter in Part 1 should be adapted accordingly.

When a particular subclause of Part 1 is not mentioned in this Part 2, that subclause applies.

In the development of a fully international standard it has been necessary to take into consideration the differing requirements resulting from practical experience in various parts of the world and to recognize the variation in national electrical systems and wiring rules.

The reader's attention is drawn to the fact that Annex Q, Annex R, Annex S and Annex T list all of the "in-some-country" clauses on differing practices of a less permanent nature relating to the subject of this document.

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- reconfirmed,
- withdrawn, or
- revised.

1 Scope

This clause of Part 1 is replaced by the following:

This document applies to automatic **electrical humidity sensing controls**

- for use in, on, or in association with equipment for household appliance and similar use;

NOTE 1 Throughout this document, the word "equipment" means "appliance and equipment" and "controls" means "**humidity sensing control**".

- for building automation within the scope of ISO 16484 series and IEC 63044 series (HBES/BACS);
- for equipment that is used by the public, such as equipment intended to be used in shops, offices, hospitals, farms and commercial and industrial applications;

EXAMPLE 1 **Humidity sensing controls** for commercial catering, heating and air-conditioning equipment.

- that are **smart enabled controls**;

EXAMPLE 2 Smart grid control, remote interfaces/control of energy-consuming equipment including computer or smart phone.

- that are AC or DC powered controls with a rated voltage not exceeding 690 V AC or 600 V DC;
- used in, on, or in association with equipment that use electricity, gas, oil, solid fuel, solar thermal energy, etc., or a combination thereof;
- utilized as part of a control system or controls which are mechanically integral with multifunctional controls having non-electrical outputs;
- using NTC or **PTC thermistors** and to discrete **thermistors**, requirements for which are contained in Annex J;
- that are mechanically or electrically operated, responsive to or controlling such characteristics as temperature, pressure, passage of time, humidity, light, electrostatic effects, flow, or liquid level, current, voltage, acceleration, or combinations thereof;
- as well as manual controls when such are electrically and/or mechanically integral with automatic controls.

NOTE 2 Requirements for manually actuated mechanical switches not forming part of an automatic control are contained in IEC 61058-1-1.

This document applies to

- the inherent safety of automatic **electrical humidity sensing controls**, and
- functional safety of automatic **electrical humidity sensing controls** and safety related systems,
- **humidity sensing controls** where the performance (for example the effect of EMC phenomena) of the product can impair the overall safety and performance of the controlled system,
- the operating values, operating times, and operating sequences where such are associated with equipment safety.

This document specifies the requirements for construction, operation and testing of automatic electrical **humidity sensing controls** used in, on, or in association with an equipment.