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The main changes compared to the previous edition are as follows:

— the limitation of applicability to 46 kV and below has been clarified in the Scope;

— the normative references have been updated;

— the hazard list has been moved to Annex A;

— in Clause 4, the bursting safety factors have been aligned with ISO 16368;

— in Clause 4, the requirements for vacuum flashover have been removed and the work platform requirements have been clarified and re-organized;

— in Clause 5, general requirements for examination and test have been added;

— Table 1 and Table 2 have been updated.

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Introduction

The object of this document is to define rules for safeguarding persons and objects against the risk of accident associated with the operation of special-application mobile elevating work platforms (MEWPs).

This document does not repeat all the general technical rules applicable to every electrical, mechanical or structural component.

The safety requirements of this document have been drawn up on the basis that MEWPs are periodically maintained according to the manufacturer's instructions, working conditions, frequency of use and applicable regulations.

It is assumed that MEWPs will be checked for proper function daily before start of work and that the MEWP will not be put into operation unless all required controls and safety devices are available and in working order. If a MEWP is seldom used, the checks may be made before start of work.

Where, for clarity, an example of a safety measure is given in the text, the example is intended as a possible solution. Any other safety measure solution leading to an equivalent level of safety is permissible.

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Part 2:
MEWPs with non-conductive (insulating) components

1 Scope

This document specifies the design, calculations, safety requirements and test methods for mobile elevating work platforms (MEWPs) with non-conductive (insulating) components. It is intended to be used in conjunction with ISO 16368.

It is applicable to all types and sizes of MEWPs with non-conductive (insulating) components, including dielectric components designed and tested to meet the specific electrical properties consistent with the manufacturer's identification plate. This equipment is intended to move persons, tools and equipment to working positions where they can carry out work from a work platform located above a non-conductive (insulating) boom section.

This document covers structural design calculations and the application of stability criteria, construction, safety examinations and tests done before MEWPs with non-conductive (insulating) components are first put into service. Annex A identifies the hazards arising from the use of MEWPs with non-conductive (insulating) components and describes methods for the elimination or reduction of these hazards.

MEWPs covered in this document are not intended to have any of their components make contact with live parts of electrical installations. The electrical properties of a MEWP's non-conducting (insulating) components can provide electrical protection in case of inadvertent contact above the non-conductive boom component at the platform end. If a MEWP is equipped with a chassis insulating system, it can provide electrical protection for ground personnel in case of inadvertent contact above that system.

This document is not applicable to MEWPs designed for or capable of operating in live working conditions (see IEC 61057). The electrical insulation level is limited to voltages experienced in electrical distribution systems 46 kV and below.

2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements 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.

ISO 12100, *Safety of machinery — General principles for design — Risk assessment and risk reduction*

ISO 16368:2010, *Mobile elevating work platforms — Design, calculations, safety requirements and test methods*

ISO 18893:2014, *Mobile elevating work platforms — Safety principles, inspection, maintenance and operation*

IEC 61057, *Live working — Insulating aerial devices for mounting on a chassis*

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3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in ISO 16368:2010 and the following apply.

ISO and IEC maintain terminology databases for use in standardization at the following addresses:

— ISO Online browsing platform: available at https://www.iso.org/obp

— IEC Electropedia: available at http://www.electropedia.org/

3.1
chassis insulating system
system of non-conductive (insulating) components installed between the chassis and the structure supporting the upper non-conductive (insulating) boom

Note 1 to entry: Such a system, when properly maintained, can provide insulation of the chassis, should the portion of the MEWP between the upper non-conductive (insulating) boom and this system inadvertently contact an energized conductor or other apparatus.

3.2
electrical insulation level
level of phase-to-earth (ground) electrical insulation offered by the non-conductive (insulating) components of the upper boom and expressed by the maximum nominal voltage of an electrical installation (line or equipment) in case of inadvertent contact with this installation above the non-conductive (insulating) components at the platform end of the MEWP

Note 1 to entry: The electrical insulation level is established by the MEWP's responsible entity.

Note 2 to entry: The electrical insulation level is limited to voltages experienced in electrical distribution systems (46 kV and below).

3.3
insulating liner
insert made of non-conductive (insulating) material and designed to fit inside the work platform

3.4
non-destructive examination
examination by various means of devices or their components without alteration of the original components, so that they can function as before the testing

Note 1 to entry: These include acoustic emissions (AE), magnetic particle (MT), liquid penetrant (PT), ultrasonic (UT), radiography (RT), dielectric (DT), and visual (VT).

4 Safety requirements and/or protective/risk reduction measures

4.1 General

4.1.1 The machine shall be designed according to the principles of ISO 12100 for relevant but not significant hazards that are not dealt with by this document.

4.1.2 Except where otherwise specified in this document, the machine shall be in accordance with ISO 16368:2010.

NOTE National or local requirements can apply, which could be more stringent.

4.2 Structural requirements

Structural requirements shall be in accordance with ISO 16368:2010.

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