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

a) adjustment of structure and references in accordance with IEC 61558-1:2017;

b) description of constructions moved to IEC 61558-1:2017;

c) a new symbol for power supply unit with linearly regulated output voltage.

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It has the status of a group safety publication in accordance with IEC Guide 104.

This International Standard is to be used in conjunction with IEC 61558-1:2017.

NOTE When “Part 1” is mentioned in this standard, it refers to IEC 61558-1:2017.

This document supplements or modifies the corresponding clauses in IEC 61558-1:2017, so as to convert that publication into the IEC standard: *Particular requirements and tests for isolating transformers and power supply units incorporating isolating transformers for general applications.*

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INTRODUCTION

IEC/TC 96 has group safety function in accordance with IEC Guide 104 for transformers other than those intended to supply distribution networks, in particular transformers and power supply units intended to allow the application of protective measures against electric shock as defined by TC 64, but in certain cases including limitation of voltage and horizontal safety function for SELV in accordance with IEC 60364-4-41.

The group safety function (GSF) is necessary because of responsibility e.g. for safety extra-low voltage (SELV) in accordance with IEC 61140:2016, 5.2.6 and IEC 60364-4-41:2017, 414.3.1 or control circuits in accordance with IEC 60204-1:2016, 7.2.4.

The group safety function is needed for each part of IEC 61558-2 because different standards of the IEC 61558 series can be combined in one construction but in certain cases with no limitation of rated output power.

For example an auto-transformer in accordance with IEC 61558-2-13 can be designed with a separate SELV-circuit in accordance with the particular requirements for IEC 61558-2-6 relating to the general requirements of IEC 61558-1.

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1 Scope

Replacement

This part of IEC 61558 deals with the safety of **isolating transformers** for general applications and **power supply units** incorporating **isolating transformers** for general applications. **Transformers** incorporating **electronic circuits** are also covered by this document.

NOTE 1 Safety includes electrical, thermal and mechanical aspects.

Unless otherwise specified, from here onward, the term **transformer** covers **isolating transformers** for general applications and **power supply units** incorporating **isolating transformers** for general applications.

~~NOTE 2~~ For **power supply units** (linear) this document is applicable. For **switch mode power supply units**, IEC 61558-2-16 is applicable ~~together with this part~~.

This document is applicable to **stationary** or **portable**, single-phase or polyphase, air-cooled (natural or forced) **independent** or **associated dry- type transformers**. The windings ~~may~~ can be encapsulated or non-encapsulated.

The **rated supply voltage** does not exceed ~~1 100~~ 1 000 V AC and the **rated supply frequency** and the **internal operating frequencies** do not exceed 500 Hz.

The **rated output** does not exceed:

- 25 kVA for single-phase **transformers**;
- 40 kVA for polyphase **transformers**.

This document is applicable to **transformers** without limitation of the **rated output** subject to an agreement between the purchaser and the manufacturer.

NOTE ~~3~~2 **Transformers** intended to supply distribution networks are not included in the scope.

The **no-load output voltage** or the **rated output voltage** does exceed 50 V AC or 120 V ripple-free DC, and where applicable, does not exceed 500 V AC or 708 V ripple-free DC.

The **no-load output voltage** and the **rated output voltage** may be up to 1 000 V AC or 1 415 V ripple-free DC for special applications.

This document is not applicable to external circuits and their components intended to be connected to the input terminals and output terminals of the **transformers**.

NOTE 3 **Transformers** covered by this document are used in applications where **double or reinforced insulation** between circuits is required by the installation rules or by the end product standard.

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~~NOTE 4~~ Attention is drawn to the following:

- additional requirements for **transformers** intended to be used in vehicles, on board ships, and aircraft (from other applicable standards, national rules, etc.)~~ may be necessary~~;
- measures to protect the **enclosure** and the components inside the enclosure against external influences such as fungus, vermin, termites, solar-radiation, and icing~~ should also be considered~~;
- the different conditions for transportation, storage, and operation of the **transformers** ~~should also be considered~~;
- additional requirements in accordance with other appropriate standards and national rules ~~may~~ can be applicable to **transformers** intended for use in special environments.

~~NOTE 5~~ Future technological development of **transformers**~~ may~~ can necessitate a need to increase the upper limit of the frequencies. Until then, this document may be used as a guidance document.

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

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2 Normative references

This clause of Part 1 is applicable except as follows:

Addition

IEC 61558-1:~~2005~~2017,~~ *Safety of power transformers, power supplies, reactors and similar products*~~ *Safety of transformers, reactors, power supply units and combinations thereof – Part 1: General requirements and tests*

3 Terms and definitions

~~This clause of Part 1 is applicable.~~

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in Part 1 apply.

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

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4 General requirements

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5 General notes on tests

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6 Ratings

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6.101 The rated output voltage shall exceed 50 V AC or 120 V ripple-free DC but not exceed:

- 250 V AC for single-phase **portable transformers**;
- 400 V AC for polyphase **portable transformers**; and
- 500 V AC or 708 V ripple-free DC for other **transformers**. In this case, the **rated output voltage** may be up to 1 000 V AC or 1 415 V ripple-free DC to be in accordance with the national wiring rules or for a special purpose. This output voltage limitation applies even when output windings, not intended for interconnection, are connected in series.

6.102 The **rated output** shall not exceed:

- 25 kVA for single-phase **transformers;**
- 40 kVA for polyphase **transformers.**

Transformers without limitation of the **rated output** shall be subject to agreement between the purchaser and the manufacturer.

6.103 The **rated supply frequency** and the **internal operating frequencies** shall not exceed 500 Hz.

6.104 The **rated supply voltage** shall not exceed ~~1 100~~ 1 000 V AC.

Compliance with the requirements of 6.101 to 6.104 is checked by inspection of the marking.

7 Classification

This clause of Part 1 is applicable.

8 Marking and other information

This clause of Part 1 is applicable except as follows:

8.1 h)

Replacement

Replace the content up to the first ~~sentence~~ semi-colon by the following:

relevant graphical symbols shown in Table 101 that indicate the kind of **transformer**.

8.11

Addition

The symbol for linear **power supply units** shall be used in conjunction with the symbol indicating the kind of **transformer**.

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