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

- a) restructuring of clauses and subclauses with amending of technical content;
- b) alignment of the terminology with other parts of the IEC 61000 series, for example with IEC TR 61000-2-5;
- c) addition of an overview regarding the IEC 61000-5 series in Annex A.

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INTRODUCTION

IEC 61000 is published in separate parts, according to the following structure:

Part 1: General

General considerations (introduction, fundamental principles)

Definitions, terminology

Part 2: Environment

Description of the environment

Classification of the environment

Compatibility levels

Part 3: Limits

Emission limits

Immunity limits (in so far as they do not fall under the responsibility of the product committees)

Part 4: Testing and measurement techniques

Measurement techniques

Testing techniques

Part 5: Installation and mitigation guidelines

Installation guidelines

Mitigation methods and devices

Part 6: Generic standards

Part 9: Miscellaneous

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These parts of IEC 61000-5 will be published in chronological order and numbered accordingly.

ELECTROMAGNETIC COMPATIBILITY (EMC) –

Part 5-1: Installation and mitigation guidelines – General considerations

1 Scope

This part of IEC 61000-5, which is a technical report, covers general considerations and guidelines on mitigation methods aimed at ensuring electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) among electrical and electronic apparatus or systems used in industrial, commercial, and residential installations. This document is intended for use by all using and installing sensitive electrical or electronic installations and systems, and equipment with high emission levels that could degrade the overall electromagnetic (EM) environment. It applies primarily to new installations, but also applies during modifications or enhancements of legacy installations.

Specific topics, such as recommendations on the design and implementation of the earthing system, including the earth electrode and the earth network, the design and implementation of bonding apparatus or systems to earth or to the earth network, the selection and installation of appropriate cables, and the design and implementation mitigation means involving shielded enclosures, high-frequency filters, isolating transformers, surge-protective devices, etc., will be addressed in other parts of IEC 61000-5. Within this document the fundamental measures will be described.

The practices presented in this document address the EMC concerns of the installation, not the safety aspects of the installation nor the efficient transportation of power within the installation. Nevertheless, these two prime objectives are taken into consideration in the technical observations concerning EMC. These two primary objectives can be implemented concurrently for enhanced EMC of the installed sensitive apparatus or systems without conflict by applying the practices presented in this document and the relevant safety requirements. It is the responsibility of the designer and the installer to select the relevant technique most appropriate to a particular installation.

2 Normative references

There are no normative references in this document.

3 Terms, definitions, and abbreviated terms

3.1 Terms and definitions

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

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- IEC Electropedia: available at <https://www.electropedia.org/>
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bonding

act of connecting together exposed conductive parts and extraneous conductive parts of equipment, systems, or installations that are at essentially the same potential