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## Preface (UL)

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Requirements of this Part 2 Standard, where stated, amend the requirements of UL 61010-1.

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National Differences from the text of International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC) Publication 61010-2-034, Safety Requirements for Electrical Equipment for Measurement, Control, and Laboratory Use – Part 2-034: Particular Requirements for Measurement Equipment for Insulation Resistance and Test Equipment for Electric Strength, copyright 2023, are indicated by notations (differences) and are presented in bold text.

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This second edition cancels and replaces the first edition published in 2017. This edition constitutes a technical revision.

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

- a) in 1.2.1, requirements for protection against hazards which could occur from reading a voltage have been added to the scope;
- b) Clause 2, all normative references have been dated; new normative references have been added;
- c) in 4.3.2.5, requirements for power supply have been modified;
- d) in 4.3.2.6, requirements for inputs/outputs have been modified;
- e) in 5.1.5.101.2, minimum ratings for voltage of measuring terminals are required;
- f) in 5.4.2, new ratings for documentation have been added;
- g) in 5.4.4, new instructions for operation have been added;
- h) in 5.101.1, hazard indicators shall be functional in normal condition and in single fault condition;
- i) in 6.6.101.1, insulating material of group I may be allowed for determination of creepage distances of measuring circuit terminals;
- j) in 6.6.101.2, Clearances and creepage distances above 1 000 V a.c. and 1 500 V d.c. for measuring circuit terminals in unmated position have been defined;
- k) in 6.6.101.3, requirements for measuring circuit terminals in partially mated position have been specified;
- l) in 6.6.101.4, requirements for measuring circuit terminals in mated position have been specified;
- m) Subclause 6.102 replaces 6.9.103 and has been rephrased;
- n) new Subclause 9.101 to consider the protection of measuring circuits against the spread of fire and arc flash has been added. Table 102 has been replaced by Table K.101;
- o) In 9.101.2, relocation of 101.3 of previous edition;
- p) In 9.101.3, relocation of 101.4 of previous edition, extension to measurement category II and reference to IEC 61000-4-5 for tests;
- q) in 9.101.4, requirements for measuring circuit terminals in mated position have been specified;
- r) in 9.101.5, relocation of K.103 of previous edition with numerous technical changes;
- s) in 14.101, relocation of 14.102. 14.101 of previous edition has been removed;
- t) in 101.3, relocation of 101.5 of previous edition, and more requirements added against hazard occurring from reading a voltage value;
- u) in K.2.1, another method for determination of clearances of secondary circuits is proposed;
- v) in K.3.2, new Table K.15 and Table K.16 for clearance calculation;
- w) in K.3.101, relocation of 6.9.104 of previous edition;

- x) in K.101.4.1, new Table K.103 and Table K.104 replace Table K.102, Table K.103 and Table K.104;
- y) in K.101.4, the subclause has been reviewed. Tables and tests for solid insulation have been modified. Table K.105 replaces Table K.9;
- z) Table K.101, replacement of Table K.106;
- aa) Clause K.4, redraft of the clause to propose a method for determination of  $U_t$  for circuits which reduce transient overvoltage;
- bb) Annex EE: addition of a new informative annex for determination of clearances for Table 101.

The text of this International Standard is based on the following documents:

| Draft       | Report on voting |
|-------------|------------------|
| 66/778/FDIS | 66/784/RVD       |

Full information on the voting for its approval can be found in the report on voting indicated in the above table.

The language used for the development of this International Standard is English.

This document was drafted in accordance with ISO/IEC Directives, Part 2, and developed in accordance with ISO/IEC Directives, Part 1 and ISO/IEC Directives, IEC Supplement, available at [www.iec.ch/members\\_experts/refdocs](http://www.iec.ch/members_experts/refdocs). The main document types developed by IEC are described in greater detail at [www.iec.ch/publications](http://www.iec.ch/publications).

A list of all parts of the IEC 61010 series, under the general title *Safety requirements for electrical equipment for measurement, control, and laboratory use*, can be found on the IEC website.

This document is to be used in conjunction with IEC 61010-1:2010 and IEC 61010-1:2010/AMD1:2016.

This document supplements or modifies the corresponding clauses in IEC 61010-1 so as to convert that publication into the IEC standard: *Particular requirements for measurement equipment for insulation resistance and test equipment for electric strength*.

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**102DV DE *Modification to add the following to the IEC Foreword:***

For this Standard, all references to “IEC 61010-1:2010” or “IEC 61010-1:2010/AMD1:2016 ” refer to UL 61010-1.

For this Standard, all references to IEC 61010-2-030, IEC 61010-2-032 and IEC 61010-2-033 refer to UL versions of the particulars.

For this Standard, all references to IEC 61010-031 refer to UL 61010-031.

## INTRODUCTION

IEC 61010-1 specifies the safety requirements that are generally applicable to all equipment within its scope. For certain types of equipment, the requirements of IEC 61010-1 and its amendment will be supplemented or modified by the special requirements of one or more standard from the IEC 61010-2 series which is/are read in conjunction with the requirements of IEC 61010-1.

1) IEC 61010-2-030 specifies the safety requirements for equipment with testing or measuring circuits which are connected for test or measurement purposes to devices or circuits outside the measurement equipment itself.

2) IEC 61010-2-032 specifies the safety requirements for hand-held and hand manipulated current sensors for measuring, detecting or injecting current, or indicating current waveforms on circuits without physically opening the current path of the circuit being measured.

Most of the requirements of IEC 61010-2-030 have been included in IEC 61010-2-032. Equipment within the scopes of both IEC 61010-2-030 and IEC 61010-2-032 are considered to be covered by the requirements of IEC 61010-2-032.

However, for current sensors in combined equipment with protective bonding and automatic disconnection of the supply, IEC 61010-2-030 and IEC 61010-2-032 are read in conjunction.

3) IEC 61010-2-033 specifies the safety requirements for hand-held multimeters and other meters for domestic and professional use, capable of measuring mains voltage, intended to measure voltage and other electrical quantities such as resistance or current.

All relevant requirements of IEC 61010-2-030 have been included in IEC 61010-2-033.

4) This document specifies the safety requirements for measurement equipment for insulation resistance and test equipment for electric strength which are connected to units, lines or circuits for test or measurement purposes.

All relevant requirements of IEC 61010-2-030 have been included in this document. However, for equipment within the scope of IEC 61010-2-032 and of this document, these standards are read in conjunction.

IEC 61010-031 specifies the safety requirements for hand-held and hand-manipulated probe assemblies and their related accessories intended to be used in particular with equipment in the scope of IEC 61010-2-030, IEC 61010-2-032, IEC 61010-2-033 and this document. These probe assemblies are for non-contact or direct electrical connection between a part and electrical test and measurement equipment. They may be fixed to the equipment or be detachable accessories for the equipment.

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# SAFETY REQUIREMENTS FOR ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT FOR MEASUREMENT, CONTROL, AND LABORATORY USE – Part 2-034: Particular requirements for measurement equipment for insulation resistance and test equipment for electric strength

## 1 Scope and object

IEC 61010-1:2010, Clause 1 and IEC 61010-1:2010/AMD1:2016, Clause 1 apply except as follows:

### 1.1.1 Equipment included in scope

*Replace the existing text with the following:*

This document specifies safety requirements to equipment for measuring insulation resistance and to equipment for testing electric strength which have an output voltage exceeding 50 V a.c. or 120 V d.c.

This document also applies to combined measuring equipment which has an insulation resistance measurement function or an electric strength test measurement function.

This group safety publication focusing on safety essential requirements 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 technical committees in the preparation of publications for products similar to those mentioned in the scope of this document, in accordance with the principles laid down in IEC Guide 104 and ISO/IEC Guide 51.

One of the responsibilities of a technical committee is, wherever applicable, to make use of basic safety publications and/or group safety publications in the preparation of its publications.

### 1.1.2 Equipment excluded from scope

*Add the following new items to the list:*

aa) IEC 61557-8 (Electrical safety in low voltage distribution systems up to 1 000 V a.c. and 1 500 V d.c. – Equipment for testing, measuring or monitoring of protective measures – Part 8: Insulation monitoring devices for IT systems);

bb) IEC 61557-9 (Electrical safety in low voltage distribution systems up to 1 000 V a.c. and 1 500 V d.c. – Equipment for testing, measuring or monitoring of protective measures – Part 9: Equipment for insulation fault location in IT systems).

### 1.2.1 Aspects included in scope

*Replace item c) of the second paragraph with the following new item c):*

c) spread of fire or arc flash from the equipment (see Clause [9](#));

*Replace the third paragraph with the following two new paragraphs:*

Requirements for protection against HAZARDS arising from NORMAL USE, REASONABLY FORESEEABLE MISUSE and ergonomic factors are specified in Clause [16](#) and Clause [101](#).

Annex [BB](#) provides guidance to equipment manufacturers on HAZARDS that should be considered for equipment intended for performing tests and measurements on hazardous conductors, including MAINS conductors and telecommunication network conductors.

## 2 Normative references

IEC 61010-1:2010, Clause 2 and IEC 61010-1:2010/AMD1:2016, Clause 2 apply except as follows:

*Replace the following existing normative references:*

IEC 60364-4-44:2007, *Low-voltage electrical installations – Part 4-44: Protection for safety – Protection against voltage disturbances and electromagnetic disturbances*

IEC 60364-4-44:2007/AMD1:2015

IEC 61010-031, *Safety requirements for electrical equipment for measurement, control, and laboratory use – Part 031: Safety requirements for hand-held probe assemblies for electrical measurement and test*

IEC 61180 (all parts), *High-voltage test techniques for low-voltage equipment*

IEC 61180-1, *High-voltage test techniques for low-voltage equipment – Part 1: Definitions, test and procedure requirements*

IEC 61180-2, *High-voltage test techniques for low-voltage equipment – Part 2: Test equipment*

IEC 61672-1, *Electroacoustics – Sound level meters – Part 1: Specifications*

IEC 61672-2, *Electroacoustics – Sound level meters – Part 2: Pattern evaluation tests*

*with the following new normative references:*

IEC 60364-4-44:2007, *Low-voltage electrical installations – Part 4-44: Protection for safety – Protection against voltage disturbances and electromagnetic disturbances*

IEC 60364-4-44:2007/AMD1:2015

IEC 60364-4-44:2007/AMD2:2018

IEC 61010-031:2022, *Safety requirements for electrical equipment for measurement, control and laboratory use – Part 031: Safety requirements for hand-held and hand-manipulated probe assemblies for electrical test and measurement*

IEC 61180:2016, *High-voltage test techniques for low-voltage equipment – Definitions, test and procedure requirements, test equipment*<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> IEC 61180:2016 replaces everywhere IEC 61180, IEC 61180-1 and IEC 61180-2 are referenced in IEC 61010-1.

IEC 61672-1:2013, *Electroacoustics – Sound level meters – Part 1: Specifications*

IEC 61672-2:2013, *Electroacoustics – Sound level meters – Part 2: Pattern evaluation tests*

IEC 61672-2:2013/AMD1:2017

*Add the following new normative references:*

IEC 61000-4-5:2014, *Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) – Part 4-5: Testing and measurement techniques – Surge immunity test*  
IEC 61000-4-5:2014/AMD1:2017

IEC 61010-2-032, *Safety requirements for electrical equipment for measurement, control, and laboratory use – Part 2-032: Particular requirements for hand-held and hand-manipulated current sensors for electrical test and measurement*

**2DV DR Modification: Add the following**

**The requirements of this UL Standard shall take precedence over the International Standard on which it is based; any reference within this standard to the International Standard shall be replaced by a reference to the equivalent US Standard.**

### **3 Terms and definitions**

IEC 61010-1:2010, Clause 3 and IEC 61010-1:2010/AMD1:2016, Clause 3 apply except as follows:

#### **3.5 Safety terms**

Replace the definition of 3.5.4 with the following new definition:

##### **3.5.4**

##### **MAINS**

electricity supply system

*Add the following new term and definition:*

##### **3.5.101**

##### **MEASUREMENT CATEGORY**

classification of testing and measuring circuits according to the type of MAINS to which they are intended to be connected

### **4 Tests**

IEC 61010-1:2010, Clause 4 and IEC 61010-1:2010/AMD1:2016, Clause 4 apply except as follows:

#### **4.3.2.5 MAINS supply**

*Replace the existing title and text with the following:*

#### **4.3.2.5 Power supply**

The following requirements apply:

a) the voltage of the power supply connected to the mains shall be between 90 % and 110 % of any RATED supply voltage for which the equipment can be set or, if the equipment is RATED for a greater fluctuation, at any supply voltage within the fluctuation range;

b) the MAINS frequency shall be any RATED frequency;

- c) equipment for both a.c. and d.c. shall be connected to an a.c. or d.c. supply;
- d) equipment powered from MAINS by single-phase a.c. shall be connected both with normal and reverse polarity;
- e) if the means of connection permit reversal, battery-operated and d.c. equipment shall be connected with both reverse and normal polarity.

#### **4.3.2.6 Input and output voltages**

*Replace the existing title and text with the following:*

#### **4.3.2.6 Input and output voltages or currents**

Input and output voltages or currents, including floating voltages but excluding the supply voltage connected to the MAINS, shall be set to any voltage or current within their RATED range, in normal and reverse polarity if possible.

*Add the following new subclause:*

#### **4.4.2.101 Surge protective devices**

Surge protective devices used in MAINS circuits or the circuits measuring MAINS shall be short-circuited and open-circuited.

### **5 Marking and documentation**

*Replace the existing title with the following:*

### **5 Marking, documentation and HAZARD indicator**

IEC 61010-1:2010, Clause 5 and IEC 61010-1:2010/AMD1:2016, Clause 5 apply except as follows:

#### **5.1.5 TERMINALS, connections and operating devices**

*Add the following new subclause:*

#### **5.1.5.101 Measuring circuit TERMINALS**

##### **5.1.5.101.1 General**

Some measuring circuit TERMINALS for the equipment within the scope of this document also serve as output TERMINALS.

Except as permitted in [5.1.5.101.5](#):

- a) the value of the nominal a.c. r.m.s. line-to-neutral or d.c. voltage of MAINS being measured shall be marked for measuring circuit TERMINALS RATED for MEASUREMENT CATEGORIES, or the value of the RATED voltage to earth for other measuring circuit TERMINALS, and

NOTE CLEARANCES and solid insulation for MEASUREMENT CATEGORIES are specified for a nominal a.c. r.m.s. line-to-neutral or d.c. voltage of MAINS being measured. Neutral is considered to be earthed (see Annex I).

