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Part 3: Special requirements for wattmeters and varimeters

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## INTERNATIONAL ELECTROTECHNICAL COMMISSION

### **DIRECT ACTING INDICATING ANALOGUE ELECTRICAL MEASURING INSTRUMENTS AND THEIR ACCESSORIES –**

### **Part 3: Special requirements for wattmeters and varmeters**

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

- a) updating of content in line with new editions of IEC 60051-1 and IEC 60051-9;
- b) addition of Annex A to specify the nonconformity classification of test items.

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This document has been drafted in accordance with the ISO/IEC Directives, Part 2.

This International Standard is to be used in conjunction with IEC 60051-1:2016.

A list of all parts in the IEC 60051 series, published under the general title *Direct acting indicating analogue electrical measuring instruments and their accessories*, can be found on the IEC website.

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## INTRODUCTION

IEC 60051 is published in separate parts according to the following structure and under the general title: *Direct acting indicating analogue electrical measuring instruments and their accessories*.

Part 1: Definitions and general requirements common to all parts

Part 2: Special requirements for ammeters and voltmeters

Part 3: Special requirements for wattmeters and varmeters

Part 4: Special requirements for frequency meters

Part 5: Special requirements for phase meters, power factor meters and synchrosopes

Part 6: Special requirements for ohmmeters (impedance meters) and conductance meters

Part 7: Special requirements for multi-function instruments

Part 8: Special requirements for accessories

Part 9: Recommended test methods

IEC 60051-3 is not complete in itself and is read in conjunction with IEC 60051-1.

All of these parts are arranged in the same format and a standard relationship between subject and clause number is maintained throughout these parts. This arrangement will assist the reader of IEC 60051 to distinguish information relating to the different types of instruments.

# **DIRECT ACTING INDICATING ANALOGUE ELECTRICAL MEASURING INSTRUMENTS AND THEIR ACCESSORIES –**

## **Part 3: Special requirements for wattmeters and varmeters**

### **1 Scope**

This part of IEC 60051 applies to direct acting indicating wattmeters and varmeters having an analogue display.

NOTE For multi-function instruments, see IEC 60051-7.

It also applies to:

- non-interchangeable accessories (as defined in 3.1.23 of IEC 60051-1:2016) used with wattmeters and varmeters;
- a combination of the instruments and the accessories provided that the adjustments have been made for the combination;
- direct acting indicating electrical measuring instruments whose scale marks do not correspond directly to their electrical input quantity, provided that the relationship between them is known;
- instruments and accessories having electronic devices in their measuring and/or auxiliary circuits.

This document does not apply to:

- special purpose instruments which are covered by their own IEC standards;
- special purpose devices which are covered by their own IEC standards when they are used as accessories.

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IEC 60051-9, *Direct acting indicating analogue electrical measuring instruments and their accessories – Part 9: Recommended test methods*

### **3 Terms and definitions**

See IEC 60051-1:2016.

### **4 Description, classification and compliance**

#### **4.1 Description**

See IEC 60051-1:2016.