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(IEC 61293:2019)

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European foreword

The text of document 3/1404/FDIS, future edition 2 of IEC 61293, prepared by IEC/TC 3 "Information structures and elements, identification and marking principles, documentation and graphical symbols" was submitted to the IEC-CENELEC parallel vote and approved by CENELEC as EN IEC 61293:2020.

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In the official version, for Bibliography, the following notes have to be added for the standards indicated:

IEC 60038	NOTE	Harmonized as EN 60038
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(normative)

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NOTE 1 Where an International Publication has been modified by common modifications, indicated by (mod), the relevant EN/HD applies.

NOTE 2 Up-to-date information on the latest versions of the European Standards listed in this annex is available here: www.cenelec.eu.

<u>Publication</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>EN/HD</u>	<u>Year</u>
IEC 60027	series	Letters symbols to be used in electrical technology	EN 60027	series
IEC 60417	1973 ¹	Graphical symbols for use on equipment. Index, survey and compilation of the single sheets.	-	-
IEC 60445	-	Basic and safety principles for man-machine interface, marking and identification - Identification of equipment terminals, conductor terminations and conductors	EN 60445	2017
IEC 60529	-	Degrees of protection provided by enclosures (IP Code)	EN 60529	1991
			/corrigendum May 1993	1993
-	-		+A1	2000
-	-		/AC	2016
-	-		+A2	2013
-	-		+A2/AC	2019
IEC 60617	2005 ¹	Standard data element types with associated classification scheme for electric components -- Part 4: IEC reference collection fo standard data element types and component classes	-	-
IEC 61082-1	2014	Preparation of documents used in electrotechnology - Part 1: Rules	EN 61082-1	2015
IEC 61140	-	Protection against electric shock - Common aspects for installation and equipment	EN 61140	2016
IEC 80000	series	Quantities and units	EN 80000	series

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ISO 7000	2019 ¹	Graphical symbols for use on equipment - Registered symbols	-	-
ISO 80000	series	Quantities and units	EN ISO 80000	series

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Relationship between this European Standard and the safety objectives of Directive 2014/35/EU [2014 OJ L96] aimed to be covered

This European Standard has been prepared under a Commission's standardization request relating to harmonized standards in the field of the Low Voltage Directive, M/511, to provide one voluntary means of conforming to safety objectives of Directive 2014/35/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 February 2014 on the harmonization of the laws of the Member States relating to the making available on the market of electrical equipment designed for use within certain voltage limits [2014 OJ L96].

Once this standard is cited in the Official Journal of the European Union under that Directive, compliance with the normative clauses of this standard given in Table ZZ.1 confers, within the limits of the scope of this standard, a presumption of conformity with the corresponding safety objectives of that Directive, and associated EFTA regulations.

Table ZZ.1 – Correspondence between this European Standard and Annex I of Directive 2014/35/EU [2014 OJ L96]

Safety objectives of Directive 2014/35/EU	Clause(s) / sub-clause(s) of this EN	Remarks / Notes
Annex 1,1(a)	Clause 4	

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INTERNATIONAL ELECTROTECHNICAL COMMISSION

MARKING OF ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT WITH RATINGS RELATED TO ELECTRICAL SUPPLY – SAFETY REQUIREMENTS

FOREWORD

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International Standard IEC 61293 has been prepared by IEC technical committee 3: Information structures and elements, identification and marking principles, documentation and graphical symbols.

This second edition cancels and replaces the first edition published in 1994. This edition constitutes a technical revision.

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

- a) its status as a basic safety publication has been removed, and it has become a horizontal publication in accordance with IEC Guide 108;
- b) the scope is extended to include the applicability of this document to product manufacturers;
- c) the addition of a provision that the visibility of the marking during normal operation should be considered;

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- d) more detailed requirements where equipment has a set or range of rated values for a given characteristic;
- e) requirements regarding the provision of the markings also in the technical documentation have been added;
- f) some notes have been converted to normative text;
- g) normative references and references to other standards have been updated.

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

FDIS	Report on voting
3/1404/FDIS	3/1414/RVD

Full information on the voting for the approval of this International Standard can be found in the report on voting indicated in the above table.

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

It has the status of a horizontal standard in accordance with IEC Guide 108.

The reader's attention is drawn to the fact that Table B.1 of Annex B lists all of the "in-some-country" clauses on differing practices of a less permanent nature relating to the subject of this standard.

The committee has decided that the contents of this document will remain unchanged until the stability date indicated on the IEC website under "<http://webstore.iec.ch>" in the data related to the specific document. At this date, the document will be

- reconfirmed,
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- replaced by a revised edition, or
- amended.

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1 Scope

This International Standard establishes minimum requirements and general rules on marking electric equipment with ratings and other characteristics to enable the proper and safe selection and installation of electric equipment related to any supply of electricity.

The object of this document is to:

- provide general requirements for the marking of the characteristics related to any supply system, such as voltage, current, frequency and power, without any restrictions;
- provide technical committees with uniform methods for the marking of electrical ratings of products.

This document is primarily intended for application by technical committees when specifying minimum markings of ratings related to any electrical supply of equipment, sub-assemblies and components, but it is also for application by product manufacturers for marking their products.

NOTE For further markings see ISO/IEC Guide 51.

This horizontal standard is primarily intended for use by technical committees in the preparation of standards in accordance with the principles laid down in IEC Guide 108.

One of the responsibilities of a technical committee is, wherever applicable, to make use of horizontal standards in the preparation of its publications. The contents of this horizontal standard will not apply unless specifically referred to or included in the relevant publications.

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IEC 60027 (all parts), *Letter symbols to be used in electrical technology*

IEC 60417, *Graphical symbols for use on equipment* (available at <http://www.graphical-symbols.info/equipment>)

IEC 60445, *Basic and safety principles for man-machine interface, marking and identification – Identification of equipment terminals, conductor terminations and conductors*

IEC 60529, *Degrees of protection provided by enclosures (IP Code)*

IEC 60617, *Graphical symbols for diagrams* (available at <http://std.iec.ch/iec60617>)

IEC 61082-1:2014, *Preparation of documents used in electrotechnology – Part 1: Rules*

IEC 61140, *Protection against electric shock – Common aspects for installation and equipment*