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Safety requirements for power electronic converter systems and equipment

Part 1: General

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Exigences de sécurité applicables
aux systèmes et matériels électroniques
de conversion de puissance -
Partie 1: Généralités
(CEI 62477-1:2012)

Sicherheitsanforderungen an
Leistungshalbleiter-Umrichtersysteme
und -betriebsmittel -
Teil 1: Allgemeines
(IEC 62477-1:2012)

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IEC 60309-1	NOTE	Harmonised as EN 60309-1.
IEC 60664-5:2007	NOTE	Harmonised as EN 60664-5:2007 (not modified).
IEC 60695-11-5	NOTE	Harmonised as EN 60695-11-5.
IEC 60721 Series	NOTE	Harmonised as EN 60721 Series (not modified).
IEC 60947-7-1	NOTE	Harmonised as EN 60947-7-1.
IEC 60947-7-2	NOTE	Harmonised as EN 60947-7-2.
IEC 60950-1	NOTE	Harmonised as EN 60950-1.
IEC 61008 Series	NOTE	Harmonised as EN 61008 Series (partly modified).
IEC 61009 Series	NOTE	Harmonised as EN 61009 Series (partly modified).
IEC 61082-1	NOTE	Harmonised as EN 61082-1.
IEC 61140:2001	NOTE	Harmonised as EN 61140:2002 (not modified).
IEC 61508 Series	NOTE	Harmonised as EN 61508 Series (not modified).
IEC 61558-1	NOTE	Harmonised as EN 61558-1.
IEC 61558-2-16	NOTE	Harmonised as EN 61558-2-16.
IEC 61643-12	NOTE	Harmonised as CLC/TS 61643-12.
IEC 62079:2001	NOTE	Harmonised as EN 62079:2001 (not modified).
IEC 62423:2009	NOTE	Harmonised as EN 62423:2012 (modified).

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This document (EN 62477-1:2012/A11:2014) has been prepared by CLC/TC 22X "Power electronics".

The aim behind this Amendment is to link EN 62477-1:2012 to the Low Voltage Directive 2006/95/EC, further to a CLC/TC 22X request, approved by the Technical Board by the decision D146/C017.

In addition, a recent Technical Board decision (D147/C061), confirmed that EN 62477-1:2012 partially supersedes EN 50178:1997.

Add to the Foreword of EN 62477-1:2012:
"This document partially supersedes EN 50178:1997."

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This standard covers the Principle Elements of the Safety Objectives for Electrical Equipment Designed for Use within Certain Voltage Limits (LVD - 2006/95/EC).

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Foreword to amendment A1

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Addition:

IEC 60865 (series)	NOTE	Harmonized as EN 60865 (series).
IEC 60865-1	NOTE	Harmonized as EN 60865-1.
IEC 60909 (series)	NOTE	Harmonized as EN 60909 (series).
IEC 60909-0:2016	NOTE	Harmonized as EN 60909-0:2016.
IEC 60947-1:2007	NOTE	Harmonized as EN 60947-1:2007.
IEC 60947-6-1:2005	NOTE	Harmonized as EN 60947-6-1:2005.
IEC 60947-6-1:2005/AMD1:2013	NOTE	Harmonized as EN 60947-6-1:2005/A1:2014.
IEC 61439-1:2011	NOTE	Harmonized as EN 61439-1:2011.

Foreword to amendment A12

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- latest date by which the national standards conflicting with this document have to be withdrawn (dow) 2023-11-17

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For the relationship with EU Directive(s) see informative Annex ZZ, which is an integral part of this document.

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Normative references to international publications with their corresponding European publications

The following documents, in whole or in part, are normatively referenced in this document and are indispensable for its application. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

NOTE When an international publication has been modified by common modifications, indicated by (mod), the relevant EN/HD applies.

<u>Publication</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>EN/HD</u>	<u>Year</u>
IEC 60050	Series	International Electrotechnical Vocabulary (IEV)	-	-
IEC 60060-1	2010	High-voltage test techniques - Part 1: General definitions and test requirements	EN 60060-1	2010
IEC 60068-2-2	-	Environmental testing - Part 2-2: Tests - Test B: Dry heat	EN 60068-2-2	-
IEC 60068-2-6	-	Environmental testing - Part 2-6: Tests - Test Fc: Vibration (sinusoidal)	EN 60068-2-6	-
IEC 60068-2-52	-	Environmental testing - Part 2-52: Tests - Test Kb: Salt mist, cyclic (sodium chloride solution)	EN 60068-2-52	-
IEC 60068-2-68	-	Environmental testing - Part 2: Tests - Test L: Dust and sand	EN 60068-2-68	-
IEC 60068-2-78	2001	Environmental testing - Part 2-78: Tests - Test Cab: Damp heat, steady state	EN 60068-2-78	2001
IEC 60112 + corr. June + corr. October	2003 2003 2003	Method for the determination of the proof and the comparative tracking indices of solid insulating materials	EN 60112	2003
IEC 60216-4-1	-	Electrical insulating materials - Thermal endurance properties - Part 4-1: Ageing ovens - Single-chamber ovens	EN 60216-4-1	-
IEC 60364-1	-	Low-voltage electrical installations - Part 1: Fundamental principles, assessment of general characteristics, definitions	HD 60364-1	-
IEC 60364-4-41 (mod)	2005	Low-voltage electrical installations - Part 4-41: Protection for safety - Protection against electric shock	HD 60364-4-41 + corr. July	2007 2007
IEC 60364-4-44 (mod)	2007	Low voltage electrical installations - Part 4-44: Protection for safety - Protection against voltage disturbances and electromagnetic disturbances	HD 60364-4-442	2012
IEC 60364-5-54	2011	Low-voltage electrical installations - Part 5-54: Selection and erection of electrical equipment - Earthing arrangements and protective conductors	HD 60364-5-54	2011

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IEC 60417-DB		Graphical symbols for use on equipment	-	-
IEC/TS 60479-1	-	Effects of current on human beings and livestock - Part 1: General aspects	-	-
IEC 60529	1989	Degrees of protection provided by enclosures (IP Code)	EN 60529 + corr. May	1991 1993
IEC 60617-DB		Graphical symbols for diagrams	-	-
IEC 60664-1	2007	Insulation coordination for equipment within low-voltage systems - Part 1: Principles, requirements and tests	EN 60664-1	2007
IEC 60664-3	2003	Insulation coordination for equipment within low-voltage systems - Part 3: Use of coating, potting or moulding for protection against pollution	EN 60664-3	2003
IEC 60664-4	2005	Insulation coordination for equipment within low-voltage systems - Part 4: Consideration of high-frequency voltage stress	EN 60664-4 + corr. October	2006 2006
IEC 60695-2-10	-	Fire hazard testing - Part 2-10: Glowing/hot-wire based test methods - Glow-wire apparatus and common test procedure	EN 60695-2-10	-
IEC 60695-2-11 + corr. January	2000 2001	Fire hazard testing - Part 2-11: Glowing/hot-wire based test methods - Glow-wire flammability test method for end-products	EN 60695-2-11	2001
IEC 60695-2-13	-	Fire hazard testing - Part 2-13: Glowing/hot-wire based test methods - Glow-wire ignition temperature (GWIT) test method for materials	EN 60695-2-13	-
IEC 60695-10-2	-	Fire hazard testing - Part 10-2: Abnormal heat - Ball pressure test	EN 60695-10-2	-
IEC 60695-11-10	-	Fire hazard testing - Part 11-10: Test flames - 50 W horizontal and vertical flame test methods	EN 60695-11-10	-
IEC 60695-11-20	-	Fire hazard testing - Part 11-20: Test flames - 500 W flame test methods	EN 60695-11-20	-
IEC 60721-3-3	-	Classification of environmental conditions - Part 3: Classification of groups of environmental parameters and their severities - Section 3: Stationary use at weatherprotected locations	EN 60721-3-3	-
IEC 60721-3-4	-	Classification of environmental conditions - Part 3: Classification of groups of environmental parameters and their severities - Section 4: Stationary use at non-weatherprotected locations	EN 60721-3-4	-

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IEC 60730-1	-	Automatic electrical controls for household and similar use - Part 1: General requirements	EN 60730-1	-
IEC/TR 60755	-	General requirements for residual current operated protective devices	-	-
IEC 60949	-	Calculation of thermally permissible short-circuit currents, taking into account non-adiabatic heating effects	-	-
IEC 60990	1999	Methods of measurement of touch current and protective conductor current	EN 60990	1999
IEC 61032 + corr. January	1997 2003	Protection of persons and equipment by enclosures - Probes for verification	EN 61032	1998
IEC 61180-1	1992	High-voltage test techniques for low-voltage equipment - Part 1: Definitions, test and procedure requirements	EN 61180-1	1994
IEC Guide 104	2010	The preparation of safety publications and the use of basic safety publications and group safety publications	-	-
IEC Guide 117	2010	Electrotechnical equipment - Temperatures of touchable hot surfaces	-	-
ISO 3746	-	Acoustics - Determination of sound power levels and sound energy levels of noise sources using sound pressure - Survey method using an enveloping measurement surface over a reflecting plane	EN ISO 3746	-
ISO 3864-1	-	Graphical symbols - Safety colours and safety signs - Part 1: Design principles for safety signs in workplaces and public areas	-	-
ISO 7000	-	Graphical symbols for use on equipment - Index and synopsis	-	-
ISO 7010	-	Graphical symbols - Safety colours and safety signs - Registered safety signs	EN ISO 7010	-
ISO 9614-1	-	Acoustics - Determination of sound power levels of noise sources using sound intensity - Part 1: Measurement at discrete points	EN ISO 9614-1	-
ISO 9772	-	Cellular plastics - Determination of horizontal-burning characteristics of small specimens subjected to a small flame	-	-
ANSI/ASTM E84-11b	-	Standard test method for surface burning characteristics of building materials	-	-
ASTM E162-11a	-	Standard test method for surface flammability of materials using a radiant heat energy source	-	-

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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 standardisation request relating to harmonised 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 harmonisation 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 (Annex I)	Clause(s) / sub-clause(s) of this EN	Remarks / Notes
1. General:	Ref. of all Clauses from the CLC/TC 22X Committee standard, that are linked to the Safety Objectives	Remarks & Notes from CLC/TC 22X Secretariat
1 a) the essential characteristics, the recognition and observance of which will ensure that electrical equipment will be used safely and in applications for which it was made, shall be marked on the electrical equipment, or, if this is not possible, on an accompanying document	6	
1 b) the electrical equipment, together with its component parts, shall be made in such a way as to ensure that it can be safely and properly assembled and connected;	4.3, 4.8, 4.11 6.3, 6.4, 6.5	
1 c) the electrical equipment shall be so designed and manufactured as to ensure that protection against the hazards set out in points 2 and 3 is assured, providing that the equipment is used in applications for which it was made and is adequately maintained.	1, 2, 3 6.2, 6.4, 6.5	refer to 2a to 2d and 3a to 3c in this table