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- reference test load – definition and application revised (3.3.5 and 6.1.1.3);
- test schedule – presented as a single table grouped by revised type and routine tests (see 6.1.6, Table 3);
- dynamic output voltage performance characteristics – guidance to measure – addition (Annex H);
- UPS efficiency – requirements and methods of measure – addition (Annexes I and J);
- functional availability – guidance for UPS reliability integrity level classification – addition (Annex K).

The text of this standard is based on the following documents:

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UNINTERRUPTIBLE POWER SYSTEMS (UPS) –

Part 3: Method of specifying the performance and test requirements

1 Scope

This International Standard applies to movable, stationary and fixed electronic **uninterruptible power systems** (UPS) that deliver single or three-phase fixed frequency a.c. output voltage not exceeding 1 000 V a.c. and that incorporate an **energy storage system**, generally connected through a d.c. link.

This standard is intended to specify performance and test requirements of a complete UPS and not of individual **UPS functional units**. The individual UPS functional units are dealt with in IEC publications referred to in the bibliography that apply so far that they are not in contradiction with this standard.

The primary function of the UPS covered by this standard is to ensure continuity of an a.c. power source. The UPS may also serve to improve the quality of the power source by keeping it within specified characteristics. UPS have been developed over a wide range of power, from less than hundred watts to several megawatts, to meet requirements for availability and quality of power to a variety of loads. Refer to Annexes A and B for information on typical UPS configurations and topologies.

This standard also covers UPS test and performance when power switches form integral part of a UPS and are associated with its output. Included are interrupters, bypass switches, isolating switches, and tie switches. These switches interact with other functional units of the UPS to maintain **continuity of load power**.

This standard does not cover

- conventional a.c. input and output distribution boards or d.c. boards and their associated switches (e.g. switches for batteries, rectifier output or inverter input);
- stand-alone static transfer systems covered by IEC 62310-3;
- systems wherein the output voltage is derived from a rotating machine.

NOTE 1 This standard recognises that power availability to information technology (IT) equipment represents a major UPS application. The UPS output characteristics specified in this standard are therefore also aimed at ensuring compatibility with the requirements of IT equipment. This, subject any limitation stated in the manufacturer's declaration, includes requirements for steady state and transient voltage variation as well as for the supply of both linear and non-linear load characteristics of IT equipment.

NOTE 2 Test loads specified in this standard simulate both linear and non-linear load characteristics. Their use is prescribed with the objective of verifying design and performance, as declared by the manufacturer, and also of minimising any complexity and energy consumption during the tests.

NOTE 3 This standard is aimed at 50 Hz and 60 Hz applications but does not exclude other frequency applications within the domain of IEC 60196. This is subject to an agreement between manufacturer and purchase in respect to any particular requirements arising.

NOTE 4 Single phase and three-phase voltage UPS covered by this standard include without limitation UPS supplying single-phase, two-wire; single-phase, three-wire; two-phase, three-wire, three-phase, three-wire and three-phase, four-wire loads.

2 Normative references

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

IEC 60038, *IEC standard voltages*

IEC 60068-2-1, *Environmental testing - Part 2-1: Tests – Test A: Cold*

IEC 60068-2-2, *Environmental testing – Part 2-2: Tests – Test B: Dry heat*

IEC 60068-2-27, *Environmental testing – Part 2-27: Tests – Test Ea and guidance: Shock*

IEC 60068-2-31:2008, *Environmental testing – Part 2-31: Tests – Test Ec: Rough handling shocks, primarily for equipment-type specimens*

IEC 60068-2-78, *Environmental testing – Part 2-78: Tests – Test Cab: Damp heat, steady state*

IEC 60146-1-1:2009, *Semiconductor converters – General requirements and line commutated converters – Part 1-1: Specification of basic requirements*

IEC 60146-2:1999, *Semiconductor converters – Part 2: Self-commutated semiconductor converters including direct d.c. converters*

IEC 60196, *IEC standard frequencies*

IEC 60364-1, *Low-voltage electrical installations – Part 1: Fundamental principles, assessment of general characteristics, definitions*

IEC 60364-5-52, *Low-voltage electrical installations – Part 5-52: Selection and erection of electrical equipment – Wiring systems*

IEC 60947-3, *Low-voltage switchgear and controlgear – Part 3: Switches, disconnectors, switch-disconnectors and fuse-combination units*

IEC 60947-6-1, *Low-voltage switchgear and controlgear – Part 6-1: Multiple function equipment – Transfer switching equipment*

IEC 60950-1, *Information technology equipment – Safety – Part 1: General requirements*

IEC 60990, *Methods of measurement of touch current and protective conductor current*

IEC 61000-2-2:2002, *Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) – Part 2-2: Environment – Compatibility levels for low-frequency conducted disturbances and signalling in public low-voltage power supply systems*

IEC 61000-3-2, *Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) – Part 3-2: Limits – Limits for harmonic current emissions (equipment input current ≤ 16 A per phase)*

IEC/TS 61000-3-4, *Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) – Part 3-4: Limits – Limitation of emission of harmonic currents in low-voltage power supply systems for equipment with rated current greater than 16 A*

IEC 61000-3-12, *Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) – Part 3-12: Limits – Limits for harmonic currents produced by equipment connected to public low-voltage systems with input current > 16 A and ≤ 75 A per phase*

IEC 61000-4-30, *Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) – Part 4-30: Testing and measurement techniques – Power quality measurement methods*

IEC 61672-1, *Electroacoustics – Sound level meters – Part 2: Pattern evaluation tests*

IEC 62040-1:2008, *Uninterruptible power systems (UPS) – Part 1: General and safety requirements for UPS*

IEC 62040-2, *Uninterruptible power systems (UPS) – Part 2: Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) requirements*

IEC 62310-3:2008, *Static transfer systems (STS) – Part 3: Method for specifying performance and test requirements*

ISO 7779:2010, *Acoustics – Measurement of airborne noise emitted by information technology and telecommunications equipment*

3 Terms and definitions

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

NOTE In this standard, IEC 60050 definitions are referenced wherever possible, particularly those of IEC 60050(551).

When an existing IEC 60050 definition needs amplification or additional information, this is indicated by adding the word “modified” after the IEC 60050 reference.

3.1 Systems and components

3.1.1

uninterruptible power system

UPS

combination of convertors, switches and energy storage devices (such as batteries), constituting a power system for maintaining **continuity of load power** in case of input power failure

NOTE Input power failure occurs when voltage and frequency are outside rated steady-state and transient tolerance bands or when distortion or interruptions are outside the limits specified for the **UPS**.

3.1.2

(electronic) (power) converter or convertor

an operative unit for electronic power conversion, comprising one or more electronic valve devices, transformers and filters if necessary and auxiliaries if any

NOTE In English, the two spellings “converter” and “convertor” are in use, and both are correct.

[IEC 60050-551:1998, 551-12-01]

3.1.3

UPS functional unit

functional unit, for example, a UPS rectifier, a UPS inverter or a UPS switch