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Foreword

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Table 1 and Table 6 have been extended with requirements and tests, relevant for outdoor conditions.

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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 60068	Series	Environmental testing	EN 60068	Series
IEC 60417	Data-base	Graphical symbols for use on equipment	-	-
IEC 60529	-	Degrees of protection provided by enclosures - (IP Code)	-	-
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 60721-3-2	-	Classification of environmental conditions - Part 3: Classification of groups of environmental parameters and their severities - Section 2: Transportation	EN 60721-3-2	-
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	-
IEC 60825-1	-	Safety of laser products - Part 1: Equipment classification and requirements	EN 60825-1	-
IEC 60950	Series	Information technology equipment - Safety	EN 60950	Series
IEC 61010	-	Safety requirements for electrical equipment for measurement, control and laboratory use	EN 61010	-
IEC 61140	-	Protection against electric shock - Common aspects for installation and equipment	EN 61140	-
IEC 61439-5	-	Low-voltage switchgear and controlgear assemblies - Part 5: Assemblies for power distribution in public networks	EN 61439-5	-
IEC 61587-1	-	Mechanical structures for electronic equipment - Tests for IEC 60917 and IEC 60297 - Part 1: Climatic, mechanical tests and safety aspects for cabinets, racks, subracks and chassis	EN 61587-1	-
IEC 61587-2	-	Mechanical structures for electronic equipment - Tests for IEC 60917 and IEC 60297 - Part 2: Seismic tests for cabinets and racks	EN 61587-2	-

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IEC 61587-3	-	Mechanical structures for electronic equipment - Tests for IEC 60917 and IEC 60297 - Part 3: Electromagnetic shielding performance tests for cabinets, racks and subracks	EN 61587-3	-
IEC 62194	-	Method of evaluating the thermal performance of enclosures	EN 62194	-
IEC 62262	-	Degrees of protection provided by enclosures for electrical equipment against external mechanical impacts (IK code)	EN 62262	-
IEC 62305-4	-	Protection against lightning - Part 4: Electrical and electronic systems within structures	EN 62305-4	-
ISO 2533	-	Standard atmosphere	-	-
ISO 3744	-	Acoustics - Determination of sound power levels of noise sources using sound pressure - Engineering method in an essentially free field over a reflecting plane	EN ISO 3744	-
ISO 3864	-	Safety colours and safety signs	-	-
ISO 4892-2	-	Plastics - Methods of exposure to laboratory light sources - Part 2: Xenon-arc lamps	EN ISO 4892-2	-
ETSI EN 300019-2-2-	-	Equipment Engineering (EE) - Environmental conditions and environmental tests for telecommunications equipment - Part 2-2: Specification of environmental tests - Transportation	-	-

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INTRODUCTION

IEC 61969-3 Ed.2.0 provides basic environmental test requirements to be used in the absence of local regulatory or application specific environmental test requirements. This provides manufacturers and users of generic outdoor enclosure solutions with minimum performance compliance criteria; thermal solutions pending on the environment an outdoor enclosure is subjected to. Since forced air heat dissipation and acoustic noise are closely related, noise limitations are typically defined by local regulatory limitations.

Typically, it becomes the responsibility of the outdoor enclosure vendor to provide a solution for thermal management within the local regulatory noise limitations.

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MECHANICAL STRUCTURES FOR ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT – OUTDOOR ENCLOSURES –

Part 3: Environmental requirements, tests and safety aspects

1 Scope

This part of IEC 61969 specifies a set of basic environmental requirements and tests, as well as safety aspects for outdoor enclosures under conditions of non-weatherprotected locations above ground.

The purpose of this standard is to define a minimum level of environmental performance in order to meet requirements of storage, transport and final installation. It is the intention to establish basic environmental performance criteria for outdoor enclosure compliance.

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 60068 (all parts), *Environmental testing*

IEC 60417, *Graphical symbols for use on equipment*

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

IEC 60695-11-10, *Fire hazard testing – Part 11-10: Test flames – 50 W horizontal and vertical flame test methods*

IEC 60721-3-2, *Classification of environmental conditions – Part 3: Classification of groups of environmental parameters and their severities – Section 2: Transportation*

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-weather-protected locations*

IEC 60825-1, *Safety of laser products – Part 1: Equipment specification and requirements*

IEC 60950 (all parts), *Information technology equipment – Safety*

IEC 61010, *Safety requirements for electrical equipment for measurement, control, and laboratory use*

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

IEC 61439-5, *Low-voltage switchgear and control gear assemblies – Part 5: Assemblies for power distribution in public networks*

IEC 61587-1, *Mechanical structures for electronic equipment – Tests for IEC 60917 and IEC 60297 – Part 1, Climatic, mechanical tests and safety aspects for cabinets, racks, subracks and chassis*

IEC 61587-2, *Mechanical structures for electronic equipment – Tests for IEC 60917 and 60297 – Part 2: Seismic tests for cabinets and racks*

IEC 61587-3, *Mechanical structures for electronic equipment – Tests for IEC 60917 and IEC 60297 – Part 3: Electromagnetic shielding performance tests for cabinets, racks and subracks*

IEC 62194, *Methods of evaluating the thermal performance of enclosures*

IEC 62262, *Degrees of protection provided by enclosures for electrical equipment against external mechanical impacts (IK code)*

IEC 62305-4, *Protection against lightning – Part 4: Electrical and electronic systems within structures*

ISO 2533, *Standard atmosphere*

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ISO 3864, *Graphical symbols – Safety colours and safety signs*

ISO 4892-2, *Plastics – Methods of exposure to laboratory light sources – Part 2: Xenon-arc lamps*

ETSI EN 300019-2-2, *Equipment Engineering (EE); Environmental conditions and environmental tests for telecommunications equipment; Part 2-2: Specification of environmental tests; Transportation*

3 Terms and definitions

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

3.1

outdoor enclosure

enclosure exposed to the outdoor environment, for stationary use at non-weatherprotected locations, for the protection of electronic equipment installed inside against outdoor environmental conditions

3.2

non-weatherprotected location

place with direct weather influence

4 Classification of environmental conditions

The environmental conditions are derived from IEC 60721-3-4, with the focus on empty outdoor enclosures relevant requirements.

Class 1: Non-weatherprotected location: Covers all regions with a moderate climate.

Class 2: Non-weatherprotected locations, extended: Covers all regions with severe climate.