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HIGH FREQUENCY INDUCTIVE COMPONENTS – ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS AND MEASURING METHODS –

Part 2: Rated current of inductors for DC to DC converters

1 Scope

This part of IEC 62024 specifies the measuring methods of the rated direct current limits for small inductors.

Standardized measuring methods for the determination of ratings enable users to accurately compare the current ratings given in various manufacturers' data books.

This standard is applicable to leaded and surface mount inductors with dimensions according to IEC 62025-1 and generally with rated current less than 22 A, although inductors with rated current greater than 22 A are available that fall within the dimension restrictions of this standard (no larger than 12 mm × 12 mm footprint approximately). These inductors are typically used in DC to DC converters built on PCB, for electric and telecommunication equipment, and small size switching power supply units.

The measuring methods are defined by the saturation and temperature rise limitations induced solely by direct current.

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 60068-1, *Environmental testing – Part 1: General and guidance*

IEC 62025-1, *High frequency inductive components – Non-electrical characteristics and measuring methods – Part 1: Fixed, surface mounted inductors for use in electronic and telecommunication equipment*

3 Terms and definitions

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

3.1
DC saturation limited current
allowable value of DC current for which the decrease of the inductance is within the specified value

3.2
temperature rise limited current
allowable value of DC current for which the self-generation heat of the inductor results in temperature rise within the specified value