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IEC 60050-461	-	International Electrotechnical Vocabulary - Part 461: Electric cables	-	-
IEC 60228	-	Conductors of insulated cables	EN 60228	-
IEC 60493-1	-	Guide for the statistical analysis of ageing test data - Part 1: Methods based on mean values of normally distributed test results	-	-
IEC 60949	1988	Calculation of thermally permissible short-circuit currents, taking into account non-adiabatic heating effects	-	-
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This edition includes the following significant technical changes with respect to IEC 61238-1:2003:

- a) The scope has been widened to cover connectors for conductors from 10 mm² down to 2,5 mm² and has been limited to 300 mm² for copper conductors and 500 mm² for aluminium conductors because test experience and applications for IPC are rare for conductors of larger cross-sectional areas.

- b) A new mechanical class has been introduced to satisfy the demand for connectors subjected to no mechanical force.
- c) The electrical test method has been updated in order to take into consideration the temperature of the insulated reference conductors.
- d) For the short-circuit test, the method of calculation and requirements have been updated.
- e) For the mechanical test, the methods and requirements have been updated.
- f) Different test proposals for multicore connector testing have been introduced.
- g) A test proposal for pre-conditioning using live load pickup for insulation piercing connectors has been introduced.

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INTRODUCTION

The IEC 61238 series has been divided into the following parts:

- Part 1-1: Test methods and requirements for compression and mechanical connectors for power cables for rated voltages up to 1 kV ($U_m = 1,2$ kV) tested on non-insulated conductors
- Part 1-2: Test methods and requirements for insulation piercing connectors for power cables for rated voltages up to 1 kV ($U_m = 1,2$ kV) tested on insulated conductors
- Part 1-3: Test methods and requirements for compression and mechanical connectors for power cables for rated voltages above 1 kV ($U_m = 1,2$ kV) up to 30 kV ($U_m = 36$ kV) tested on non-insulated conductors

This Part 1-2 of IEC 61238-1 deals with type tests for insulation piercing connectors for use on copper or aluminium conductors of power cables for rated voltages up to 1 kV ($U_m = 1,2$ kV).

When a design of connector meets the requirements of this document, then it is expected that in service:

- a) the resistance of the connection will remain stable within specified limits;
- b) the temperature of the connector will be of the same order or less than that of the insulated conductor during current heating;
- c) if the intended use demands it, application of short-circuit currents will not affect a) and b);
- d) independently from the electrical performance, conforming axial tensile strength will ensure an acceptable mechanical performance for the connections to the cable conductors, when applicable.

It should be stressed that, although the object of the electrical and mechanical tests specified in this document is to prove the suitability of connectors for most operating conditions, they do not necessarily apply to situations where a connector may be raised to a high temperature by virtue of connection to a highly rated plant, to corrosive conditions, where the connector is subjected to external mechanical stresses such as excessive vibration, shock and large displacement after installation, where the connector is exposed to low temperature during assembly or where the connector is installed in live conditions. In these instances, the tests in this document may need to be supplemented by special tests agreed between supplier and purchaser.

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Once successfully completed, these tests are not repeated unless changes are made in material, manufacturing process and design which might adversely change the connector performance characteristics.