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This second edition cancels and replaces the first edition published in 1997. It constitutes a technical revision. The main changes consist of updating this part in accordance with Part 1 (2005), and increasing the supply voltages up to 1 100 V to be in line with the standards of TC 14.

This part has the status of a group safety publication in accordance with IEC Guide 104 (1997): *The preparation of safety publications and the use of basic safety publications and group safety publications.*

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

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This publication has been drafted in accordance with the ISO/IEC Directives, Part 2.

This part is intended to be used in conjunction with the latest edition of IEC 61558-1 and its amendments. It is based on the second edition (2005) of that standard.

This part supplements or modifies the corresponding clauses in IEC 61558-1, so as to convert that publication into the IEC standard: *Particular requirements and tests for isolating transformers and power supply units incorporating isolating transformers*.

A list of all parts of the IEC 61558 series can be found on the IEC website under the title: *Safety of transformers, reactors, power supply units and similar products for supply voltages up to 1 100 V*.

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In this part, the following print types are used:

- requirements proper: in roman type;
- *test specifications: in italic type;*
- explanatory matter: in smaller roman type:

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1 Scope

Replacement:

This part of IEC 61558 deals with the safety of **isolating transformers** for general applications and **power supply units** incorporating **isolating transformers** for general applications. **Transformers** incorporating **electronic circuits** are also covered by this standard.

NOTE 1 Safety includes electrical, thermal and mechanical aspects.

Unless otherwise specified, from here onward, the term **transformer** covers **isolating transformers** for general applications and **power supply units** incorporating **isolating transformers** for general applications.

NOTE 2 For **power supply units** (linear) this part is applicable. For **switch mode power supply units**, IEC 61558-2-16 is applicable together with this part.

This part is applicable to **stationary** or **portable**, single-phase or polyphase, air-cooled (natural or forced) **independent** or **associated dry-type transformers**. The windings may be encapsulated or non-encapsulated.

The **rated supply voltage** does not exceed 1 100 V a.c. and the **rated supply frequency** and the **internal operating frequencies** do not exceed 500 Hz.

The **rated output** does not exceed:

- 25 kVA for single-phase **transformers**;
- 40 kVA for polyphase **transformers**.

This part is applicable to **transformers** without limitation of the **rated output** subject to an agreement between the purchaser and the manufacturer.

NOTE 3 **Transformers** intended to supply distribution networks are not included in the scope.

The **no-load output voltage** or the **rated output voltage** does exceed 50 V a.c. or 120 V ripple-free d.c., and where applicable, does not exceed 500 V a.c. or 708 V ripple-free d.c.

The **no-load output voltage** and the **rated output voltage** may be up to 1 000 V a.c. or 1 415 V ripple-free d.c. for special applications.

This part is not applicable to external circuits and their components intended to be connected to the input terminals and output terminals of the **transformers**.

Transformers covered by this part are used in applications where **double or reinforced insulation** between circuits is required by the installation rules or by the end product standard.

NOTE 4 Attention is drawn to the following:

- for **transformers** intended to be used in vehicles, on board ships, and aircraft, additional requirements (from other applicable standards, national rules, etc.) may be necessary;
- measures to protect the **enclosure** and the components inside the enclosure against external influences such as fungus, vermin, termites, solar-radiation, and icing should also be considered;
- the different conditions for transportation, storage, and operation of the **transformers** should also be considered;
- additional requirements in accordance with other appropriate standards and national rules may be applicable to **transformers** intended for use in special environments.

NOTE 5 Future technological development of **transformers** may necessitate a need to increase the upper limit of the frequencies, until then this part may be used as a guidance document.

2 Normative references

This clause of Part 1 is applicable except as follows.

Addition:

IEC 61558-1 :2005, *Safety of power transformers, power supplies, reactors and similar products – Part 1: General requirements and tests*

3 Terms and definitions

This clause of Part 1 is applicable.

4 General requirements

This clause of Part 1 is applicable.

5 General notes on tests

This clause of Part 1 is applicable.

6 Ratings

This clause of Part 1 is applicable.

Addition:

6.101 The **rated output voltage** shall exceed 50 V a.c. or 120 V ripple-free d.c. but not exceed;

- 250 V a.c. for single-phase **portable transformers**;
- 400 V a.c. for polyphase **portable transformers**, and
- 500 V a.c. or 708 V ripple-free d.c. for other **transformers**. In this case, the **rated output voltage** may be up to 1 000 V a.c. or 1 415 V ripple-free d.c. to be in accordance with the national wiring rules or for a special purpose. This output voltage limitation apply even when output windings, not intended for interconnection, are connected in series.

6.102 The **rated output** shall not exceed:

- 25 kVA for single-phase **transformers**;
- 40 kVA for polyphase **transformers**;