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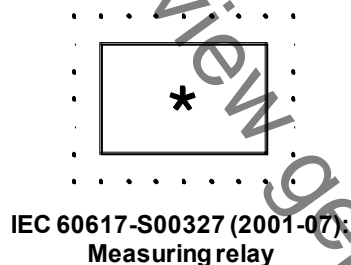
### 1 Scope

This Technical Report provides recommendations for consistent use of mnemonics and qualifying symbols to be applied to symbols representing devices used in systems for monitoring, protection, switching, and controlling of apparatus in electrical substations, generating stations, power utilization and conversion facilities, and equipment designed for automatic protection of power systems. The recommendations are intended for designers, manufacturers and engineers of such systems.

For symbols of measuring relay and measuring instrument, it is intended to serve two purposes, namely:

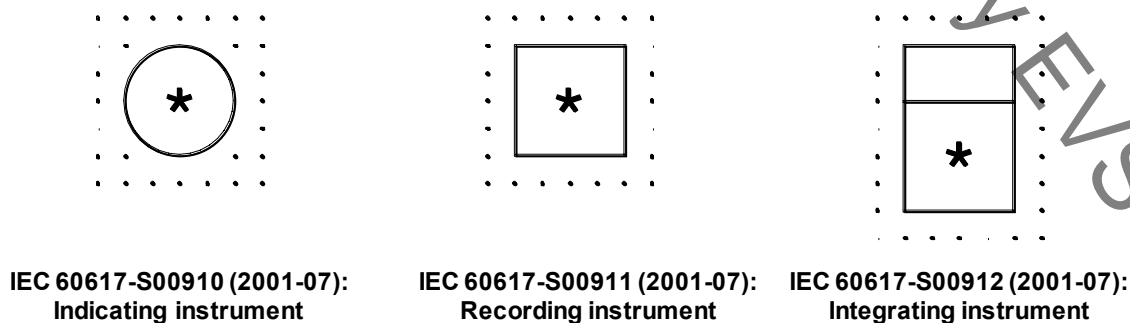
- Give a review of standardized designations (as defined in this report);
- Limit the range of possible variants (after final standardization and introduction in IEC 60617).

Symbols for measuring relays are symbols in which the functional behaviour of an element, mostly because of its complexity, is described by qualifying symbols e.g. IEC 60617-S00328 (2001-07), IEC 60617-S00337 (2001-07), particularly by referring to supporting documentation; the relevant rules and explanations are to be found in IEC 60617 in the application notes associated with the symbols, e.g. IEC 60617-S00327 (2001-07) (A00091 through A00094).



**Figure 1 – The general symbol for a measuring relay in IEC 60617**

Symbols for indicating, recording or integrating instruments are symbols in which the functional behaviour of an element is fully described by standardized means. The relevant rules and explanations are to be found in IEC 60617 in the application notes associated with the symbols IEC 60617-S00910 (2001-07), IEC 60617-S00911 (2001-07) and IEC 60617-S00912 (A00144 through A00147).



**Figure 2 – The general symbols for a measuring instrument in IEC 60617**

## 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 60617, *Graphical symbols for diagrams*

ISO/IEC 81714-1, *Design of graphical symbols for use in the technical documentation of products – Part 1: Basic rules*

## 3 Terms and definitions

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

### 3.1

#### **protection relay**

measuring relay which, either solely or in combination with other relays, is a constituent of a protection equipment

[IEC 60050-448:1995, 448-11-02]

## 4 Measuring relay symbols

Power systems are extremely complicated electrical networks that are geographically spread over very large areas. The power systems are so complex that a complete conventional diagram showing all the connections is impractical. There is some concise way of communicating the basic arrangement of power system components. This is done by using diagrams with universally accepted symbols in IEC 60617.

When measuring relay symbols are required, pick the general symbol IEC 60617-S00327 (2001-07) (see Figure 1), and then combine it with one or more appropriate supplementary symbols.

Some devices, especially newer devices, may not have universally accepted symbols. These devices could be represented in a number of ways, usually a matter of personal choice. In such instances, the symbol is usually accompanied by a verbal description.

When an appropriate symbol does not exist, either the general symbol IEC 60617-S00327 (2001-07) should be applied, or a symbol may be constructed following the rules of IEC 60617 and ISO/IEC 81714-1.

## 5 Measuring instruments

When measuring instrument symbols are required, pick the general symbols from among IEC 60617-S00910 (2001-07), IEC 60617-S00911 (2001-07) and IEC 60617-S00912 (2001-07) according to the function, that is, indicating, recording and integrating (see Figure 1). Then the asterisk within the symbol is replaced with the letter symbol or the graphical symbol.

The replacing symbol is related to the information displayed by the instrument regardless of the means used to obtain the information.