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It has the status of a horizontal standard in accordance with IEC Guide 108.

The main changes from the previous edition are as follows:

- a) all references are updated to current IEC standards, and the bibliography is deleted;
- b) some definitions are clarified in order to avoid overlapping and ensure clear understanding;
- c) letter symbols are changed and corrected in order to keep the consistency with relevant IEC standards;
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INSULATION CO-ORDINATION –

Part 1: Definitions, principles and rules

1 Scope

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This document describes that the selected withstand voltages are associated with the highest voltage for equipment. This association is for insulation co-ordination purposes only. The requirements for human safety are not covered by this document.

Although the principles of this document also apply to transmission line insulation, the values of their withstand voltages can be different from the standard rated withstand voltages.

The apparatus committees are responsible for specifying the rated withstand voltages and the test procedures suitable for the relevant equipment taking into consideration the recommendations of this document.

NOTE In IEC 60071-2, all rules for insulation co-ordination given in this document are justified in detail, in particular the association of the standard rated withstand voltages with the highest voltage for equipment. When more than one set of standard rated withstand voltages is associated with the same highest voltage for equipment, guidance is provided for the selection of the most suitable set.

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