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INTRODUCTION

The described safety requirements comprise the protective measures to protect from hazards generated by electricity and chemical substances when using secondary batteries. In addition measures are described to maintain the functional safety of batteries and battery installations.

For electrical safety (protection against electric shock) under Clause 4, this document refers to IEC 60364-4-41. The pilot function of this document is fully observed by indication of cross-reference numbers of the relevant clauses, but interpretation is given where adoption to direct current (DC) circuits is required.

This document comes into force with the date of publication and applies to all new batteries and battery installations. Previous installations are intended to conform to the existing national standards at the time of installation. In the case of the redesign of old installations, this document applies.

Lithium ion cells/batteries used in stationary industrial applications are intended to fulfil safety requirements in accordance with IEC 62619.

SAFETY REQUIREMENTS FOR SECONDARY BATTERIES AND BATTERY INSTALLATIONS –

Part 5: Safe operation of stationary lithium ion batteries

1 Scope

This part of IEC 62485 applies to the installation of one or more stationary secondary batteries having a maximum aggregate DC voltage of 1 500 V to any DC part of the power network, and describes the principal measures for protections during normal operation or under expected fault conditions against hazards generated from:

- electricity,
- short-circuits,
- electrolyte,
- gas emission,
- fire,
- explosion.

This document provides requirements on safety aspects associated with the installation, use, inspection, and maintenance and disposal of lithium ion batteries used in stationary applications.

This document covers stationary batteries for industrial applications that are installed in separate closed buildings or housings as well as stationary batteries that are installed in public buildings, offices and private residences. This document also covers the maintenance and disposal of lithium ion batteries used in stationary applications.

Batteries containing lithium metal are not covered by this document.

Examples of the main applications are:

- telecommunications,
- power station operation,
- central emergency lighting and alarm systems,
- uninterruptible power supplies (UPS),
- stationary engine starting,
- photovoltaic systems.

In general, the safety requirements for secondary batteries and battery installations – General safety information and definitions are specified for lead-acid, nickel-cadmium and nickel-metal hybrid batteries in accordance with IEC 62485-1.

2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements 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 60050-482, *International Electrotechnical Vocabulary (IEV) – Part 482: Primary and secondary cells and batteries*

IEC 60364-4-41:2005, *Low-voltage electrical installations – Part 4-41: Protection for safety – Protection against electric shock*

IEC 60364-4-41:2005/AMD1:2017

IEC 60364-4-43, *Low-voltage electrical installations – Part 4-43: Protection for safety – Protection against overcurrent*

IEC 60364-5-53, *Low-voltage electrical installations – Part 5-53: Selection and erection of electrical equipment – Devices for protection for safety, isolation, switching, control and monitoring*

IEC 60364-5-54, *Low-voltage electrical installations – Part 5-54: Selection and erection of electrical equipment – Earthing arrangements and protective conductors*

IEC 60417, *Graphical symbols for use on equipment* (available at <http://www.graphical-symbols.info/equipment>)

IEC 60529, *Degrees of protection provided by enclosures (IP Code)*

IEC 60664-1:2020, *Insulation coordination for equipment within low-voltage systems – Part 1: Principles, requirements and tests*

IEC 60755, *General safety requirements for residual current operated protective devices*

IEC 61000-1-2, *Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) – Part 1-2: General – Methodology for the achievement of functional safety of electrical and electronic systems including equipment with regard to electromagnetic phenomena*

IEC 61000-6-1, *Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) – Part 6-1: Generic standards – Immunity standard for residential, commercial and light-industrial environments*

IEC 61000-6-2, *Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) – Part 6-2: Generic standards – Immunity standard for industrial environments*

IEC 61000-6-3, *Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) – Part 6-3: Generic standards – Emission standard for residential, commercial and light-industrial environments*

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IEC 61000-6-7, *Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) – Part 6-7: Generic standards – Immunity requirements for equipment intended to perform functions in a safety-related system (functional safety) in industrial locations*

IEC 61140, *Protection against electric shock – Common aspects for installation and equipment*

IEC/TR 61340-1, *Electrostatics – Part 1: Electrostatic phenomena – Principles and measurements*

IEC 61340-5-1, *Electrostatics – Part 5-1: Protection of electronic devices from electrostatic phenomena – General requirements*

IEC 61660-1, *Short-circuit currents in d.c. auxiliary installations in power plants and substations – Part 1: Calculation of short-circuit currents*

IEC 61660-2, *Short-circuit currents in d.c. auxiliary installations in power plants and substations – Part 2: Calculation of effects*

IEC 62133-2, *Secondary cells and batteries containing alkaline or other non-acid electrolytes – Safety requirements for portable sealed secondary cells, and for batteries made from them, for use in portable applications – Part 2: Lithium systems*

IEC 62485-1, *Safety requirements for secondary batteries and battery installations – Part 1: General safety information*

IEC 62619:2017, *Secondary cells and batteries containing alkaline or other non-acid electrolytes – Safety requirements for secondary lithium cells and batteries, for use in industrial applications*

IEC 62620:2014, *Secondary cells and batteries containing alkaline or other non-acid electrolytes – Secondary lithium cells and batteries for use in industrial applications*

ISO/IEC Guide 51, *Safety aspects – Guidelines for their inclusion in standards*

ISO 3864 (all parts), *Graphical symbols – Safety colours and safety signs*

ISO 7010, *Graphical symbols – Safety colours and safety signs – Registered safety signs*

3 Terms and definitions and abbreviated terms

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in IEC 60050-482, ISO/IEC Guide 51, and the following apply.

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3.1 Terms and definitions

3.1.1

secondary lithium cell

secondary cell where electrical energy is derived from the insertion/extraction reactions of lithium ions or oxidation/reduction reaction of lithium between the negative electrode and the positive electrode

Note 1 to entry: The cell typically has an electrolyte that consists of a lithium salt and organic solvent compound in liquid, gel or solid form and has a metal or a laminate film casing.

Note 2 to entry: A cell is not ready for use in an application because it is not yet fitted with its final housing, terminal arrangement and electronic control device.

3.1.2

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stationary battery system used in or next to a single or multi-family dwelling or in internal home energy storage installations