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## European foreword

This document (EN 50600-2-5:2021) has been prepared by CLC/TC 215 “Electrotechnical aspects of telecommunication equipment”.

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This document supersedes EN 50600-2-5:2016 and all of its amendments and corrigenda (if any).

This document includes the following significant technical changes with respect to EN 50600-2-5:2016:

- a) technical update to all clauses in response to user feedback;
- b) new Clause 7 on Protection Classes against intrusion to data centre spaces added and Clause 6 restructured accordingly;
- c) references to relevant provisions of EN 50600-2-1:2021 added to highlight the respective links to constructional requirements;
- d) various editorial updates.

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## Introduction

The unrestricted access to internet-based information demanded by the information society has led to an exponential growth of both internet traffic and the volume of stored/retrieved data. Data centres are housing and supporting the information technology and network telecommunications equipment for data processing, data storage and data transport. They are required both by network operators (delivering those services to customer premises) and by enterprises within those customer premises.

Data centres usually provide modular, scalable and flexible facilities and infrastructures to easily accommodate the rapidly changing requirements of the market. In addition, energy consumption of data centres has become critical both from an environmental point of view (reduction of environmental footprint) and with respect to economical considerations (cost of energy) for the data centre operator.

The implementation of data centres varies in terms of:

- a) purpose (enterprise, co-location, co-hosting, or network operator);
- b) security level;
- c) physical size;
- d) accommodation (mobile, temporary and permanent constructions).

The needs of data centres also vary in terms of availability of service, the provision of security and the objectives for energy efficiency. These needs and objectives influence the design of data centres in terms of building construction, power distribution, environmental control, telecommunications cabling and physical security as well as the operation of the data centre. Effective management and operational information is important in order to monitor achievement of the defined needs and objectives.

Recognizing the substantial resource consumption, particularly of energy, of larger data centres, it is also important to provide tools for the assessment of that consumption both in terms of overall value and of source mix and to provide Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) to evaluate trends and drive performance improvements.

At the time of publication of this document, the EN 50600 series is designed as a framework of standards, technical specifications and technical reports covering the design, the operation and management, the key performance indicators for energy efficient operation of the data centre as well as a data centre maturity model.

The EN 50600-2 series defines the requirements for the data centre design.

The EN 50600-3 series defines the requirements for the operation and the management of the data centre.

The EN 50600-4 series defines the key performance indicators for the data centre.

The CLC/TS 50600-5 series defines the data centre maturity model requirements and recommendations.

The CLC/TR 50600-99-X Technical Reports cover recommended practices and guidance for specific topics around data centre operation and design.

This series of documents specifies requirements and recommendations to support the various parties involved in the design, planning, procurement, integration, installation, operation and maintenance of facilities and infrastructures within data centres. These parties include:

- 1) owners, operators, facility managers, ICT managers, project managers, main contractors;
- 2) consulting engineers, architects, building designers and builders, system and installation designers, auditors, test and commissioning agents;
- 3) facility and infrastructure integrators, suppliers of equipment;
- 4) installers, maintainers.



At the time of publication of this document, the EN 50600-2 series comprises the following documents:

EN 50600-2-1, *Information technology — Data centre facilities and infrastructures — Part 2-1: Building construction*;

EN 50600-2-2, *Information technology — Data centre facilities and infrastructures — Part 2-2: Power supply and distribution*;

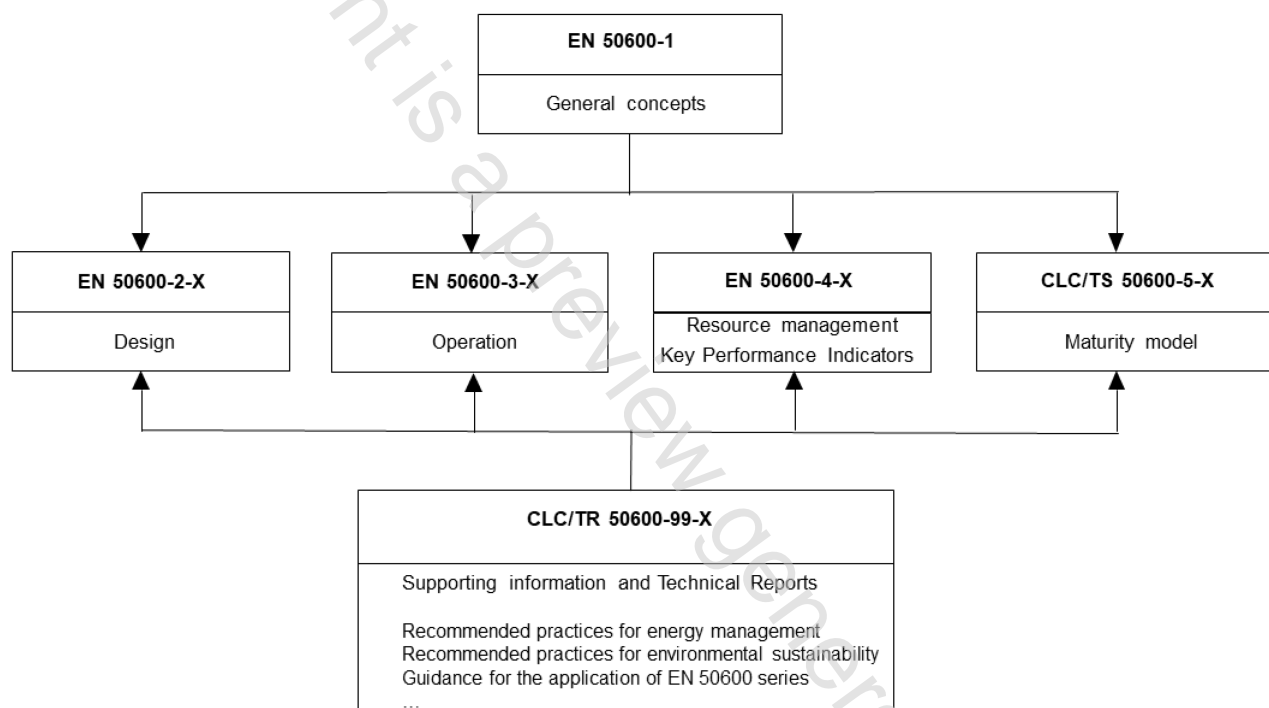
EN 50600-2-3, *Information technology — Data centre facilities and infrastructures — Part 2-3: Environmental control*;

EN 50600-2-4, *Information technology — Data centre facilities and infrastructures — Part 2-4: Telecommunications cabling infrastructure*;

EN 50600-2-5, *Information technology — Data centre facilities and infrastructures — Part 2-5: Security systems*;

CLC/TR 50600-2-10, *Information technology — Data centre facilities and infrastructures — Part 2-10: Earthquake risk and impact analysis*;

The inter-relationship of the documents within the EN 50600 series is shown in Figure 1.



**Figure 1 — Schematic relationship between the EN 50600 standards**

EN 50600-2-X documents specify requirements and recommendations for particular facilities and infrastructures to support the relevant classification for “availability”, “physical security” and “energy efficiency enablement” selected from EN 50600-1.

EN 50600-3-X documents specify requirements and recommendations for data centre operations, processes and management.

EN 50600-4-X documents specify requirements and recommendations for key performance indicators (KPIs) used to assess and improve the resource usage efficiency and effectiveness, respectively, of a data centre.

This document addresses the physical security of facilities and infrastructure within data centres together with the interfaces for monitoring the performance of those facilities and infrastructures in line with EN 50600-3-1 (in accordance with the requirements of EN 50600-1).

This document is intended for use by and collaboration between architects, building designers and builders, system and installation designers and security managers among others.

This series of documents does not address the selection of information technology and network telecommunications equipment, software and associated configuration issues.

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## 1 Scope

This document addresses the physical security of data centres based upon the criteria and classifications for “availability”, “security” and “energy efficiency enablement” within EN 50600-1.

This document provides designations for the data centres spaces defined in EN 50600-1.

This document specifies requirements and recommendations for those data centre spaces, and the systems employed within those spaces, in relation to protection against:

- a) unauthorized access addressing organizational and technological solutions;
- b) intrusion;
- c) fire events igniting within data centres spaces;
- d) environmental events (other than fire) within the data centre spaces which would affect the defined level of protection;
- e) environmental events outside the data centre spaces which would affect the defined level of protection.

NOTE Constructional requirements and recommendations are provided by reference to EN 50600-2-1.

Safety and electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) requirements are outside the scope of this document and are covered by other standards and regulations. However, the information given in this document can be of assistance in meeting these standards and regulations.

## 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.

EN 3 (all parts), *Portable fire extinguishers*

EN 54 (all parts), *Fire detection and fire alarm systems*

EN 54-20:2006, *Fire detection and fire alarm systems — Part 20: Aspirating smoke detectors*

EN 12845, *Fixed firefighting systems — Automatic sprinkler systems — Design, installation and maintenance*

EN 13565-2, *Fixed firefighting systems — Foam systems — Part 2: Design, construction and maintenance*

CEN/TS 14816, *Fixed firefighting systems — Water spray systems — Design, installation and maintenance*

CEN/TS 14972, *Fixed firefighting systems — Watermist systems — Design and installation*

EN 16750, *Fixed firefighting systems — Oxygen reduction systems — Design, installation, planning and maintenance*

EN 50131 (all parts), *Alarm systems — Intrusion and hold-up systems*

EN 50136 (all parts), *Alarm systems — Alarm transmission systems and equipment*

EN 50518, *Monitoring and Alarm Receiving Centre*

EN 50600-1, *Information technology — Data centre facilities and infrastructures — Part 1: General concepts*

EN 50600-2-1:2021, *Information technology — Data centre facilities and infrastructures — Part 2-1: Building construction*

EN 50600-2-2, *Information technology — Data centre facilities and infrastructures — Part 2-2: Power supply and distribution*

EN 50600-2-3, *Information technology — Data centre facilities and infrastructures — Part 2-3: Environmental control*

EN 50600-2-4, *Information technology — Data centre facilities and infrastructures — Part 2-4: Telecommunications cabling infrastructure*

EN 60839-11-1, *Alarm and electronic security systems — Part 11-1: Electronic access control systems - System and components requirements (IEC 60839-11-1)*

EN 60839-11-2, *Alarm and electronic security systems — Part 11-2: Electronic access control systems - Application guidelines (IEC 60839-11-2)*

EN 62305 (series), *Protection against lightning (IEC 62305 series)*

EN 62676-1-1, *Video surveillance systems for use in security applications — Part 1-1: System requirements — General (IEC 62676-1-1)*

### **3 Terms, definitions and abbreviations**

#### **3.1 Terms and definitions**

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in EN 50600-1 and the following apply.

ISO and IEC maintain terminological databases for use in standardization at the following addresses:

— ISO Online browsing platform: available at <https://www.iso.org/obp>

— IEC Electropedia: available at <http://www.electropedia.org/>

##### **3.1.1**

##### **authorized person**

person having been assessed and subsequently provided with access credentials to specific areas within the data centre

##### **3.1.2**

##### **forcible threat**

threat exhibited by physical force

##### **3.1.3**

##### **frame**

open construction, typically wall-mounted, for housing closures and other information technology equipment

[SOURCE: EN 50174-1:2018, 3.1.21]

##### **3.1.4**

##### **free-standing barrier**

wall, fence, gate, turnstile or other similar self-supporting barrier, and their associated foundations, designed to prevent entry to a space of a given Protection Class

[SOURCE: EN 50600-2-1:2021, 3.1.2]