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This edition constitutes a technical revision.

This edition includes the following significant technical changes with respect to the previous edition:

- a) the structure has been redrafted according to the IEC 60519-1:2020;
- b) the scope and object have been redrafted;
- c) the terms/definitions, normative references and bibliography have been updated and completed;

- d) all requirements and content from IEC 60519-6:2011 which are included in IEC 60519-1:2020 were removed to avoid any duplication;
- e) inclusion of high frequency equipment which was previously covered by IEC 60519-9:2005 (withdrawn). This edition constitutes an extension to high frequency equipment.

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The clauses of this part 6 of the IEC 60519 series (called Particular Requirements) supplement or modify the corresponding clauses of IEC 60519-1:2020 (*General Requirements*), hereinafter called Part 1.

In this standard, the following print types are used:

- requirements and definitions: in roman type;
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- terms defined in Clause 3 in this document and in Part 1 are in **bold type**, from Clause 1.

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Additional specific provisions to those in Part 1, given as individual clauses or subclauses, are numbered starting from 101.

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INTRODUCTION

Some types of **electroheating equipment**, including the **workload**, can emit hazardous levels of infrared radiation. It has been agreed in the IEC Technical Committee 27 that IEC 60519-12 addresses these infrared radiation aspects for this document.

This document presumes that the **manufacturer** possesses sufficient knowledge in equipment design, manufacturing and documentation in accordance with good engineering practise, and that the installation or equipment is operated and maintained only by personnel consisting of **skilled or instructed persons**.

This document is intended to verify whether the installation or equipment meets the requirements of safety, by design, and numerical verification if carefully carried out, site acceptance tests, routine tests or inspection.

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1 Scope

This clause of Part 1 is modified by the following regarding the areas of application.

Modification:

This part of IEC 60519 is applicable to equipment using high frequency or microwave energy alone or in combination with other kinds of energy for industrial heating and processing of materials. It is also applicable to **HF** and **MW generators** made available to **users** as separate units.

This part is applicable to equipment operating in the frequency range 3 MHz to 300 GHz, with the following limitations.

- This document applies to only high frequency **dielectric heating** and **processing** as defined in 3.1.103. It does not apply to induction heating, which it is possible to carry out in the lower part of the specified frequency band and is covered by IEC 60519-3, with magnetic field safety aspects addressed in IEC TS 62997:2017, the latter to be replaced by a technical report (TR) or by a revised technical specification (TS).
- The ISM centre frequencies for **dielectric heating** and **processing** of industrial interest are narrow bands about 6,78 MHz, 13,56 MHz, 27,12 MHz and 40,68 MHz. Different field **emission** measurement procedures and limiting values are applicable, depending on the **processing frequency** in the high frequency range 3 to 300 MHz. Specifications are in Annex BB.
- This document specifies limits for microwave **emission** only for the ISM frequencies between 800 MHz and 6 MHz, as specified in Annex CC. For other microwave frequencies the **basic restriction** and IEC 62311 apply.
- The foundations for compliance with **emission** values are the **basic restrictions**, referred to in the IEEE/ANSI C95.1:2019 and Directive 2013/35/EU. However, maximum **HF processing frequency** electric and magnetic field values are taken from the IEEE/ANSI C95.1:2019 standard, as indicated in Annex BB.
- This document is not applicable to:
 - appliances for household and similar use (covered by e.g. IEC 60335-2-25);
 - commercial use (covered by IEC 60335-2-90 and IEC 60335-2-110);
 - laboratory use (covered by IEC 61010-2-010);
 - medical high frequency equipment and accessories (covered by IEC 60601-2-2).

NOTE 101 Since high frequency and microwave tunnel ovens and also some other types of microwave and high frequency equipment are sometimes intended either for commercial, laboratory or industrial use, the following criteria are suitable for determination of the classification as industrial equipment:

- commercial equipment is typically designed and planned for series production of many identical units, whereas industrial equipment is typically produced in small series or even as single units. The processed goods are consumed or ready for final use at the end of the heating process.
- laboratory heating equipment is for preparing material in a laboratory environment, and the processed material is immediately available for investigations or further processing. Regular production of large quantities of material is not foreseen.

- with industrial equipment, the processed goods are not immediately accessible to the end user, and the goods are sometimes not in a final state from the perspective of the end user.

2 Normative references

This clause of Part 1 is applicable with the following addition.

Addition:

IEEE/ANSI C95.1:2019, *IEEE standard for safety levels with respect to human exposure to electric, magnetic, and electromagnetic fields, 0 Hz to 300 GHz*

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in IEC 60519-1 and the following apply.

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Additions:

3.1 General concepts

3.1.101

basic restrictions

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restrictions on *in situ* (i.e. internal) electric fields or specific absorption rates (SAR) or power densities with time and spatial averaging or integration, resulting from a part of or the whole body being subjected to an external alternating electric (*E*) field, magnetic (*B*) flux or electromagnetic field, and that are intended to be based directly on resulting established pathophysiological effects

Note 1 to entry: The term exposure is defined in 3.4.14 in Part 1. Other definitions are provided in Annex DD.2.1. There are no exposure requirements in this document since its definition does not consider any specific characteristics of the source and **accessible emission**, as in this document. See Note 3 to entry.

Note 2 to entry: **Basic restrictions** have a safety margin to harm.

Note 3 to entry: Sources of scientific and medical information on numerical values of limits for workers are e.g. IEEE, ICNIRP and EU; see the Bibliography. Another term for the **basic restrictions** is exposure limit values (ELV).

Note 4 to entry: Time factors of **specific absorption rates (SAR)** or power densities, i.e. energy absorption versus time and over which tissue volumes are necessary for establishing criteria.

[SOURCE: IEC TS 62997:2017, 3.1.2, modified, to be replaced by a technical report (TR) or by a revised technical specification (TS)]

3.1.102

contact current

induced current

current flowing into the body resulting from contact with a conductive object in an electric, magnetic or electromagnetic field

Note 1 to entry: The scientific definition of induced current in IEC 60050-121:1998, 121-11-29 is replaced here, but the definitions are consistent.