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This second edition cancels and replaces the first edition published in 1988, Amendment 1:1991 and Amendment 2:1999. This edition constitutes a technical revision.

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

- a) For reasons of photobiological safety, the scope has been extended.
- b) A new definition and clause on UV radiation have been introduced.
- c) Clauses on normative references and an annex on literature were added.
- d) The latest IEC template has been adapted.

The text of this standard is based on the following documents:

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INTRODUCTION

With IEC 62471 and IEC/TR 62471-2, there are horizontal requirements available that need to be introduced into product standards, e.g. to IEC 60968. The horizontal requirement is transformed into a requirement for self-ballasted lamps.

The lamps within the scope of this standard are general lighting service (GLS) lamps according to the definition 3.11 in IEC 62471:2006. "...lamps intended for lighting spaces that are typically occupied or viewed by people...".

According to Clause 6 of IEC 62471:2006, radiation of GLS lamps is measured at a distance equivalent to 500 lx.

Measured at the 500 lx distance, GLS lamps will not exceed risk group 1 for blue light hazard and risk group 0 for IR radiation. This combination of risk group and hazard does not require marking (Table 1 of IEC/TR 62471-2:2009).

Hazards from UV radiation of GLS lamps will be covered by Clause 14 of IEC 60968.

Hence, IEC 62471 does not require any additional marking for GLS lamps.

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SELF-BALLASTED LAMPS FOR GENERAL LIGHTING SERVICES –

Safety requirements

1 Scope

This International Standard specifies the safety and interchangeability requirements, together with the test methods and conditions, required to show compliance of tubular fluorescent and other gas-discharge lamps with integrated means for controlling starting and stable operation (self-ballasted lamps), intended for domestic and similar general lighting purposes, having:

- a rated wattage up to 60 W;
- a rated voltage of 100 V to 250 V;
- Edison screw or bayonet caps.

The requirements of this standard relate only to type testing.

Recommendations for whole product testing or batch testing are under consideration.

This part of the standard covers photobiological safety according to IEC 62471 and IEC/TR 62471-2.

Blue light and infrared hazards are below the level which requires marking.

2 Normative references

The following documents, in whole or in part, are normatively referenced in this document and are indispensable for its application. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

IEC 60061, *Lamp caps and holders together with gauges for the control of interchangeability and safety*

IEC 60061-1, *Lamp caps and holders together with gauges for the control of interchangeability and safety – Part 1: Lamp caps*

IEC 60061-3, *Lamp caps and holders together with gauges for the control of interchangeability and safety – Part 3: Gauges*

IEC 60238, *Edison screw lampholders*

IEC 60360, *Standard method of measurement of lamp cap temperature rise*

IEC 60695-2-10:2000, *Fire hazard testing – Part 2-10: Glowing/hot-wire based test methods – Glow-wire apparatus and common test procedure*

IEC 60695-2-11:2000, *Fire hazard testing – Part 2-11: Glowing/hot-wire based test methods – Glow-wire flammability test method for end products*

IEC 60695-2-12:2010, *Fire hazard testing – Part 2-12: Glowing/hot-wire based test methods – Glow-wire flammability test method for materials*

IEC 60695-2-13:2010, *Fire hazard testing – Part 2-13: Glowing/hot-wire based test methods – Glow-wire ignitability test method for materials*

IEC 60901, *Single-capped fluorescent lamps – Performance specifications*

3 Terms and definitions

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

3.1

self-ballasted lamp

unit which cannot be dismantled without being permanently damaged, provided with a lamp cap and incorporating a light source and any additional elements necessary for starting and stable operation of the light source

3.2

type

lamps that, independent of the type of cap, are identical in photometric and electrical rating

3.3

rated voltage

voltage or voltage range marked on the lamp

3.4

rated wattage

wattage marked on the lamp

3.5

rated frequency

frequency marked on the lamp

3.6

cap temperature rise

Δt_s

surface temperature rise (above ambient) of a standard test lampholder fitted to the lamp, when measured in accordance with the standard method described in IEC 60360

3.7

live part

conductive part which may cause an electric shock in normal use

3.8

type test

test or series of tests made on a type test sample for the purpose of checking compliance of the design of a given product with the requirements of the relevant standard

3.9

type test sample

sample consisting of one or more similar units submitted by the manufacturer or responsible vendor for the purpose of the type test

3.10

specific effective radiant UV power

effective power of the UV radiation of a lamp related to its luminous flux