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## INTRODUCTION TO THE AMENDMENT

This amendment has been prepared to allow the use of **FIW** wires in SMPS.

The manufacturer should be careful, that during production and transport no damage of the **FIW** wire will be possible.

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## SAFETY OF TRANSFORMERS, REACTORS, POWER SUPPLY UNITS AND SIMILAR PRODUCTS FOR SUPPLY VOLTAGES UP TO 1 100 V –

### Part 2-16: Particular requirements and tests for switch mode power supply units and transformers for switch mode power supply units

#### 1 Scope

##### *Replacement:*

This part of IEC 61558 deals with the safety of **switch mode power supply units** and **transformers** for **switch mode power supply units**. **Transformers** incorporating **electronic circuits** are also covered by this standard.

NOTE 1 Safety includes electrical, thermal and mechanical aspects.

This part applies to:

- a) **switch mode power supply units** incorporating **safety isolating transformers** providing **SELV, PELV** or **FELV** a.c. or d.c. **output voltage(s)**, or a combination thereof according to IEC 61140 and IEC 60364-4-41 for use with household and other consumer products, except for products covered by IEC 60065, IEC 61347 series, IEC 61204-7 and IEC 60950-1;
- b) **switch mode power supply units** with a maximum **output voltage** not exceeding 1 000 V a.c. or 1 414 V ripple-free d.c. for use with household and other consumer products, except for products covered in a) and products covered by IEC 60065, IEC 61347 series, IEC 61204-7 and IEC 60950-1;
- c) this standard may be used for **transformers** for use in **switch mode power supply units** (see Annex BB).

This part covers the safety requirements for:

- separating SMPS for general use corresponding to Part 2-1;
- isolating SMPS for general use corresponding to Part 2-4;
- safety isolating SMPS for general use corresponding to Part 2-6;
- auto-SMPS for general use corresponding to Part 2-13.

For SMPS for specific application corresponding to the other Parts 2 of 61558 series, the necessary requirements of the relevant Parts 2 are applicable. In addition, the requirements listed in this part apply. Where the two requirements are in conflict, the most severe take precedence.

NOTE 2 As the maximum **rated supply voltage** of the internal **transformer** is 1 000 V, the maximum **rated supply voltage** of the **switch mode power supply** may be lower due to type of rectification.

**Switch mode power supply units** covered by this standard are air cooled (natural or forced) **independent, associated, stationary, portable**, single-phase, or polyphase, with the **rated supply voltage** not exceeding 1 100 V a.c., the **rated supply frequency** not exceeding 500 Hz, the **rated internal operating frequency** exceeding 500 Hz, but not exceeding 100 MHz, and the **rated output** not exceeding 1 kVA or 1 kW, incorporating **dry-type transformers** with encapsulated or non-encapsulated windings.

**Associated transformers for switch mode power supply units** covered by Annex BB of this standard shall have a **rated output** not exceeding:

- 25 kVA for single-phase **transformers**;
- 40 kVA for polyphase **transformers**.

NOTE 3 For higher frequencies, additional requirements may be necessary. However, this standard may be used as a guide.

The **no-load output voltage** or the **rated output voltage** of **switch mode power supply units** shall not exceed:

- 1 000 V a.c. or 1 415 V ripple-free d.c. when **separating transformers** or **auto-transformers** are used;
- 500 V a.c. or 708 V ripple-free d.c. when **isolating transformers** are used;
- 50 V a.c. or 120 V ripple-free d.c. when **safety isolating transformers** are used.

The **no-load output voltage** or the **rated output voltage** of **independent switch mode power supply units** shall not be less than:

- 50 V a.c. or 120 V ripple-free d.c. when **separating transformers** or **autotransformers** are used.

This standard is also applicable to **switch mode power supply units**, converters and inverters without limitation of the **rated output**. However, such **switch mode power supply units** are for special applications and are subject to an agreement between the purchaser and the manufacturer.

NOTE 4 In the context of this standard, converters and invertors are considered to be **switch mode power supply units**.

This standard may also be used as a guide for products not covered by the scope of this standard, the scope of IEC 61204-7, or the scope of IEC 61347 series.

This standard does not apply to:

- motor-generator sets;
- uninterruptible power supplies (UPS) according to IEC 62040;
- **switch mode power supply units** covered by IEC 61204-7 (i.e., low-voltage power supply devices, d.c. output, performance characteristics) and d.c. power and distribution equipment and **switch mode power supply units** for use in applications covered by IEC 60950-1, IEC 61010-1, IEC 60601-1, and IEC 60065;
- lamp control gear covered by IEC 61347-1;
- external circuits and their components intended to be connected to the input terminals and output terminals of the **transformers**.

NOTE 5 IEC 61204-7 will be updated by SC 22E.

NOTE 6 Attention is drawn to the following:

- for **transformers** intended to be used in vehicles, on board ships and aircraft, additional requirements (from other applicable standards, national rules, etc.) may be necessary;
- measures to protect the **enclosure** and the components inside the enclosure against external influences such as fungus, vermin, termites, solar-radiation, and icing should also be considered;
- the different conditions for transportation, storage, and operation of the **transformers** should also be considered;
- additional requirements in accordance with other appropriate standards and national rules may be applicable to **transformers** intended for use in special environments, such as tropical environment.

NOTE 7 Future technological development of **transformers** may necessitate a need to increase the upper limit of the frequencies; until then, this part may be used as a guidance document.

Unless otherwise specified, from here onward, the term **SMPS** covers **switch mode power supply units**.

## 2 Normative references

This clause of Part 1 is applicable, except as follows:

*Addition:*

IEC 60227 (all parts), *Polyvinyl chloride insulated cables of rated voltages up to and including 450/750 V*

IEC 60317-0-7:2012, *Specifications for particular types of winding wires – Part 0-7: General requirements – Fully insulated (FIW) zero-defect enamelled round copper wire with nominal conductor diameter of 0,040 mm to 1,600 mm*

IEC 60317-43, *Specifications for particular types of winding wires – Part 43: Aromatic polyimide tape wrapped round copper wire, class 240*

IEC 60317-56, *Specifications for particular types of winding wires – Part 56: Solderable fully insulated (FIW) zero-defect polyurethane enamelled round copper wire with nominal conductor diameter 0,040 mm to 1,600 mm, class 180*

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

IEC 60601-1, *Medical electrical equipment – Part 1: General requirements for basic safety and essential performance*

IEC 60664-4:2005, *Insulation coordination for equipment within low-voltage systems – Part 4: Consideration of high-frequency voltage stress*

IEC 60851-3:2009, *Winding wires – Test methods – Part 3: Mechanical properties*

IEC 60851-5:2008, *Winding wires – Test methods – Part 5: Electrical properties*

IEC 60950-1, *Information technology equipment – Safety – Part 1: General requirements*

IEC 61010-1, *Safety requirements for electrical equipment for measurement, control, and laboratory use – Part 1: General requirements*

IEC 61204-7:2006, *Low voltage power supplies, d.c. output – Part 7: Safety requirements*

IEC 61347 (all parts), *Lamp controlgear*

IEC 61558-1:2005, *Safety of power transformers, power supplies, reactors and similar products – Part 1: General requirements and tests*

IEC 61558-2-1, *Safety of power transformers, power supplies, reactors and similar products – Part 2-1: Particular requirements and tests for separating transformers and power supplies incorporating separating transformers for general applications*

IEC 61558-2-4, *Safety of transformers, reactors, power supply units and similar products for supply voltages up to 1 100 V – Part 2-4: Particular requirements and tests for isolating transformers and power supply units incorporating isolating transformers*

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IEC 61558-2-13, *Safety of transformers, reactors, power supply units and similar products for supply voltages up to 1 100 V – Part 2-13: Particular requirements and tests for auto transformers and power supply units incorporating auto transformers*

IEC 62040 (all parts), *Uninterruptible power systems (UPS)*

### 3 Terms and definitions

This clause of Part 1 is applicable, except as follows:

*Addition:*

The term **transformer** in Part 1 also designates a **SMPS** as defined by this part.

In Annex BB of this standard, the term **transformer** applies to a **transformer** for **SMPS**.

In this standard, the actual applicable terms are used.

*Replacement*

#### 3.3.8

##### **working voltage**

highest r.m.s. value of the a.c. or d.c. voltage which may occur (locally) across any insulation at **rated supply voltage** under no-load or normal operating conditions, transients being disregarded. The **working voltage** between any point in the circuit supplied by the mains and other isolated parts shall be assumed:

- the rated input voltage, or
- the measured working voltage

whichever is greater

NOTE 1 When considering the insulation system between windings not intended to be connected together, the **working voltage** is considered to be the highest voltage occurring on any of these windings.

NOTE 2 On three phase systems, the **working voltage** can be different from the nominal voltage.

*Addition:*

#### 3.101

##### **FIW**

##### **fully insulated winding wire**

wire according to IEC 60317-0-7, IEC 60317-56 and IEC 60851-5:2008 which is a **zero-defect wire** construction

#### 3.102

##### **zero-defect wire**

winding wire that exhibits no electrical discontinuities when tested under specific conditions