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- a) additional marking requirements;
- b) additional requirements for creepage distances and clearances:
 - for working voltages with operating frequencies up to 30 kHz;
 - for working voltages with higher operating frequencies than 30 kHz;
 - for impulse and resonance voltages ignition;
 - for basic, supplementary and reinforced insulation;

- for insulation between circuits;
- for coated or potted controlgear;
- c) modification of definition of ELV and FELV;
- d) modification of schematic drawing, showing the different controlgear classification and insulation requirements;
- e) scope extension;
- f) new Annex A: test to establish whether a conductive part is a live part which may cause an electric shock;
- g) new Annex M: creepage distances and clearances for controlgear where a higher degree of availability (impulse withstand category III) may be requested;
- h) new Annex Q: example for U_p calculation;
- i) new Annex P: creepage distances and clearances and distance through isolation (DTI) for lamp controlgear which are protected against pollution by the use of coating or potting;
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INTRODUCTION

This part of IEC 61347 provides a set of general and safety requirements and tests which are considered to be generally applicable to most types of lamp controlgear and which can be called up as required by the different parts that make up IEC 61347-2. This Part 1 is thus not to be regarded as a specification in itself for any type of lamp controlgear, and its provisions apply only to particular types of lamp controlgear, to the extent determined by the appropriate Part 2 of IEC 61347.

The parts which make up IEC 61347-2, in referring to any of the clauses of this part, specify the extent to which such a clause is applicable and the order in which the tests are to be performed; they also include additional requirements as necessary. The order in which the clauses of this part are numbered has no particular significance, as the order in which their provisions apply is determined for each type of lamp controlgear by the appropriate Part 2 of the IEC 61347-2 series. All such parts are self-contained and therefore do not contain references to each other.

Where the requirements of any of the clauses of this part of IEC 61347 are referred to in the various parts that make up IEC 61347-2 by the phrase "The requirements of clause n of IEC 61347-1 apply", this phrase will be interpreted as meaning that all requirements of the clause in question of Part 1 apply, except any which are clearly inapplicable to the particular type of lamp controlgear covered by the Part 2 concerned.

Lamp controlgear which complies with the text of this standard will not necessarily be judged to comply with the safety principles of the standard if, when examined and tested, it is found to have other features which impair the level of safety covered by these requirements.

Lamp controlgear employing materials or having forms of construction differing from those detailed in the requirements of this standard may be examined and tested according to the intent of the requirement and, if found to be substantially equivalent, may be judged to comply with the safety principles of the standard.

Performance requirements for lamp controlgear are the subject of IEC 60921, IEC 60923, IEC 60925, IEC 60927, IEC 60929, IEC 61047 and IEC 62384 as appropriate for the type of lamp controlgear.

Safety requirements ensure that electrical equipment constructed in accordance with these requirements does not endanger the safety of persons, domestic animals or property when properly installed and maintained and used in applications for which it was intended.

Requirements for electronic lamp controlgear for other types of lamps will be the subject of a separate standard, as the need arises.

Controlgear can consist of a printed circuit board and may incorporate the following:

- controlgear;
- lampholder(s);
- switch(es);
- supply terminals.

The lamp controlgear should comply with this standard.

The lampholders(s), switch(es) and supply terminals should comply with their own standards.

LAMP CONTROLGEAR –

Part 1: General and safety requirements

1 Scope

This part of IEC 61347 specifies general and safety requirements for lamp controlgear for use on d.c. supplies up to 250 V and/or a.c. supplies up to 1 000 V at 50 Hz or 60 Hz.

This standard also covers lamp controlgear for lamps which are not yet standardized.

Tests dealt with in this standard are type tests. Requirements for testing individual lamp controlgear during production are not included.

Requirements for semi-luminaires are given in IEC 60598-1:2014 (see definition 1.2.60).

Particular requirements for controlgears providing safety extra low voltage (from now on SELV) are given in Annex L.

It can be expected that lamp control gear which comply with this standard will not compromise safety between 90 % and 110 % of their rated supply voltage in independent use and when operated in luminaires complying with the safety standard IEC 60598-1 and the relevant part IEC 60598-2-xx and with lamps complying with the relevant lamp standards. Performance requirements may require tighter limits.

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IEC 60065:20011, *Audio, video and similar electronic apparatus – Safety requirements*

IEC 60068-2-14:2009, *Environmental testing – Part 2-14: Tests – Test N: Change of temperature*

IEC 60081, *Double-capped fluorescent lamps – Performance specifications*

IEC 60085:2007, *Electrical insulation – Thermal classification and designation*

IEC 60112:2003, *Method for the determination of the proof and the comparative tracking indices of solid insulating materials*

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3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of document, the following terms and definitions apply.

3.1

lamp controlgear

one or more components between the supply and one or more lamps which may serve to transform the supply voltage, limit the current of the lamp(s) to the required value, provide starting voltage and preheating current, prevent cold starting, correct power factor or reduce radio interference

3.1.1

built-in lamp controlgear

lamp controlgear generally designed to be built into a luminaire, a box, an enclosure or the like and not intended to be mounted outside a luminaire, etc. without special precautions

Note 1 to entry: The controlgear compartment in the base of a road lighting column is considered to be an enclosure.

3.1.2

independent lamp controlgear

lamp controlgear consisting of one or more separate elements so designed that it can be mounted separately outside a luminaire, with protection according to the marking of the lamp controlgear and without any additional enclosure

Note 1 to entry: This may consist of a built-in lamp controlgear housed in a suitable enclosure which provides all the necessary protection according to its markings.