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Annex ZA (normative)

Normative references to international publications with their corresponding European publications

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.

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-	-	Electric cables for photovoltaic systems	EN 50618	-
IEC 60060-1	-	High-voltage test techniques - Part 1: General definitions and test requirements	EN 60060-1	-
IEC 60068-1	-	Environmental testing - Part 1: General and guidance	EN 60068-1	-
IEC 60068-2-14	2009	Environmental testing - Part 2-14: Tests - Test N: Change of temperature	EN 60068-2-14	2009
IEC 60068-2-70	-	Environmental testing - Part 2: Tests - Test Xb: Abrasion of markings and letterings caused by rubbing of fingers and hands	EN 60068-2-70	-
IEC 60068-2-75	-	Environmental testing - Part 2-75: Tests - Test Eh: Hammer tests	EN 60068-2-75	-
IEC 60068-2-78	-	Environmental testing - Part 2-78: Tests - Test Cab: Damp heat, steady state	EN 60068-2-78	-
IEC 60228	-	Conductors of insulated cables	EN 60228	-
IEC 60352-2	-	Solderless connections - Part 2: Crimped connections - General requirements, test methods and practical guidance	EN 60352-2	-
IEC 60512-12-1	-	Connectors for electronic equipment - Tests and measurements - Part 12-1: Soldering tests - Test 12a: Solderability, wetting, solder bath method	EN 60512-12-1	-

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IEC 60512-12-2	-	Connectors for electronic equipment - Tests and measurements - Part 12-2: Soldering tests - Test 12b: Solderability, wetting, soldering iron method	EN 60512-12-2	-
IEC 60529	-	Degrees of protection provided by enclosures (IP Code)	EN 60529	-
IEC 60664-1	2007	Insulation coordination for equipment within low-voltage systems - Part 1: Principles, requirements and tests	EN 60664-1	2007
IEC/TR 60664-2-1	-	Insulation coordination for equipment within low-voltage systems - Part 2-1: Application guide - Explanation of the application of the IEC 60664 series, dimensioning examples and dielectric testing	-	-
IEC 60664-3	-	Insulation coordination for equipment within low-voltage systems - Part 3: Use of coating, potting or moulding for protection against pollution	EN 60664-3	-
IEC 60695-2-11	-	Fire hazard testing - Part 2-11: Glowing/hot-wire based test methods - Glow-wire flammability test method for end-products (GWEPT)	EN 60695-2-11	-
IEC 60695-11-10	-	Fire hazard testing - Part 11-10: Test flames - 50 W horizontal and vertical flame test methods	EN 60695-11-10	-
IEC 60695-11-20	1999	Fire hazard testing - Part 11-20: Test flames - 500 W flame test methods	EN 60695-11-20	1999
IEC/TR 60943	-	Guidance concerning the permissible temperature rise for parts of electrical equipment, in particular for terminals	-	-
IEC 60947-7-1	-	Low-voltage switchgear and controlgear - Part 7-1: Ancillary equipment - Terminal blocks for copper conductors	EN 60947-7-1	-
IEC 60998-2-1	-	Connecting devices for low-voltage circuits for household and similar purposes - Part 2-1: Particular requirements for connecting devices as separate entities with screw-type clamping units	EN 60998-2-1	-
IEC 60998-2-2	-	Connecting devices for low-voltage circuits for household and similar purposes - Part 2-2: Particular requirements for connecting devices as separate entities with screwless-type clamping units	EN 60998-2-2	-

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IEC 60999-1	1999	Connecting devices - Electrical copper conductors - Safety requirements for screw-type and screwless-type clamping units - Part 1: General requirements and particular requirements for clamping units for conductors from 0,2 mm ² up to 35 mm ² (included)	EN 60999-1	2000
IEC 60999-2	-	Connecting devices - Electrical copper conductors - Safety requirements for screw-type and screwless-type clamping units - Part 2: Particular requirements for clamping units for conductors above 35 mm ² up to 300 mm ² (included)	EN 60999-2	-
IEC 61032	-	Protection of persons and equipment by enclosures - Probes for verification	EN 61032	-
IEC 61140	2001	Protection against electric shock - Common aspects for installation and equipment	EN 61140	2002
IEC 61730-1	-	Photovoltaic (PV) module safety qualification - Part 1: Requirements for construction	EN 61730-1	-
IEC 61730-2 (mod)	2004	Photovoltaic (PV) module safety qualification - Part 2: Requirements for testing	EN 61730-2	2007
IEC 62852	-	Connectors for DC-application in photovoltaic systems - Safety requirements and tests	EN 62852	-
ISO 868	2003	Plastics and ebonite - Determination of indentation hardness by means of a durometer (Shore hardness)	EN ISO 868	2003
ISO 4892-2	2013	Plastics - Methods of exposure to laboratory light sources - Part 2: Xenon-arc lamps	EN ISO 4892-2	2013
ISO 4892-3	2006	Plastics - Methods of exposure to laboratory light sources - Part 3: Fluorescent UV lamps	EN ISO 4892-3	2006

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