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- additional requirements for connection of luminaires to the fixed wiring;
- modification of requirements regarding the fixing of luminaires;
- inclusion of alternative solutions for connecting devices used for through wiring and for connection of luminaires to the supply;
- withdrawal of Clause 556, as IEC 60364-5-56 now covers this matter.

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550 Introduction

550.1 Scope

This part of IEC 60364 ~~covers~~ specifies requirements and recommendations for the selection and erection of low-voltage ~~generating sets and for the selection and erection of luminaires and lighting installations~~ electric equipment not covered by other parts of IEC 60364-5, intended to be part of the fixed installation.

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IEC 60050-826, *International Electrotechnical Vocabulary – Part 826: Electrical installations*

IEC 60079 (all parts), *Explosive atmospheres*

IEC 60245-3, *Rubber insulated cables – Rated voltages up to and including 450/750 V – Part 3: Heat resistant silicone insulated cables*

IEC 60331-11, *Tests for electric cables under fire conditions – Circuit integrity – Part 11: Apparatus – Fire alone at a flame temperature of at least 750 °C*

IEC 60331-21, *Tests for electric cables under fire conditions – Circuit integrity – Part 21: Procedures and requirements – Cables of rated voltage up to and including 0,6/1,0 kV*

IEC 60364-1:2005, *Low-voltage electrical installations – Part 1: Fundamental principles, assessment of general characteristics, definitions*

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IEC 60364-4-42, *Low-voltage electrical installations – Part 4-42: Protection for safety – Protection against thermal effects*

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IEC 60417 (all parts), *Graphical symbols for use on equipment*

IEC 60570, *Electrical supply track systems for luminaires*

IEC 60598 (all parts), *Luminaires*

IEC 60598-2-13:2006, *Luminaires – Part 2-13: Particular requirements – Ground recessed luminaires*

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IEC 60670 (all parts), *Boxes and enclosures for electrical accessories for household and similar fixed electrical installations*

IEC 60670-21, *Boxes and enclosures for electrical accessories for household and similar fixed electrical installations – Part 21: Particular requirements for boxes and enclosures with provision for suspension means*

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IEC 60702-2, *Mineral insulated cables and their terminations with a rated voltage not exceeding 750 V – Part 2: Terminations*

IEC 60998 (all parts), *Connecting devices for low-voltage circuits for household and similar purposes – Part 1: General requirements*

IEC 61048:2006, *Auxiliaries for lamps – Capacitors for use in tubular fluorescent and other discharge lamp circuits – General and safety requirements*

IEC 61439-1:2011, *Low-voltage switchgear and controlgear assemblies – Part 1: General rules*

IEC 61508 (all parts), *Functional safety of electrical/electronic/programmable electronic safety-related systems*

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IEC 61995 (all parts), *Devices for the connection of luminaires for household and similar purposes*

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