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3.25	Shorter time to thermal equilibrium
5.5.2	Note on P-Q capability diagram for synchronous generators
6.4	Clarification added that other conditions can be agreed on
6.6	Clarification added that standstill is explicitly included; note added
7.1	Clarification on bus transfer or fast reclosing
	Capability to withstand impulse voltages in case of machines connected to a U converter
7.2.4	New Table 3 for identification code
7.3	Table 4 corrected to reflect current scope of IEC 60034-3
7.5	Voltage withstand level for machines connected to a converter
8.3.4	Measurement of ambient air temperature in case of open machines
8.6.3.4	Notes on ETD in the end windings of high voltage machines and on ETD use to monitor strand blockage in case of directly liquid cooled windings
8.10	Clarification on temperature limit
	Clarification on temperature difference between method R and method ETD
	Clarification that temperature limit acc. to method R must always be kept
	Note on measured temperature limits between methods R and ETD
	Table 8 and Table 11 extended incorporating thermal class 200 (N)
	Line 4c) of Table 8 restricted to field windings of DC machines
	Temperature limits in Table 8 changed according to 2/1737/DC and the comments received on this document
	Physically correct formula in Table 10, item 1b
9.1	Clarification on machines that are subject to routine testing
9.2	Separate withstand voltage testing of phases
	Clarification on frequency and time instant for withstand voltage test
	Note on leakage current during withstand voltage test
	Note referring to IEC 60027
10.2	Information on IVIC on rating plate or in documentation
	Clarification added to item f
	IC code and design letter for locked-rotor apparent power on rating plate
11.1	Clarification on cross-sectional area of earthing conductor for generators
	Note on grounding for small machines added
12.2	Tolerance on field current of synchronous machines added
	Tolerance on power factor applies also for PM synchronous machines operated directly at the lines
	Contradiction between tolerances on efficiency and on losses clarified
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### Part 1: Rating and performance

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IEC 60027-4, *Letter symbols to be used in electrical technology – Part 4: Rotating electric machines*

IEC 60034-2 (all parts), *Rotating electrical machines – Part 2: Standard methods for determining losses and efficiency from tests (excluding machines for traction vehicles)*

IEC 60034-3, *Rotating electrical machines – Part 3: Specific requirements for synchronous generators driven by steam turbines or combustion gas turbines*

IEC 60034-5, *Rotating electrical machines – Part 5: Degrees of protection provided by the integral design of rotating electrical machines (IP code) – Classification*

IEC 60034-6, *Rotating electrical machines – Part 6: Methods of cooling (IC code)*

IEC 60034-8, *Rotating electrical machines – Part 8: Terminal markings and direction of rotation*

IEC 60034-12:2016, *Rotating electrical machines – Part 12: Starting performance of single-speed three-phase cage induction motors*

IEC 60034-15, *Rotating electrical machines – Part 15: Impulse voltage withstand levels of form-wound stator coils for rotating a.c. machines*

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IEC 60034-29, *Rotating electrical machines – Part 29: Equivalent loading and superposition techniques – Indirect testing to determine temperature rise*

IEC 60034-30-1, *Rotating electrical machines – Part 30-1: Efficiency classes of line operated A.C. motors (IE-code)*

IEC 60038, *IEC standard voltages*

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IEC 60060-1, *High-voltage test techniques – Part 1: General definitions and test requirements*

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