

**Mechanical structures for electronic equipment - Tests  
for IEC 60917 and IEC 60297 - Part 2: Seismic tests for  
cabinets and racks**

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Partie 2: Essais sismiques pour baies et  
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Mechanische Bauweisen für elektronische  
Einrichtungen -  
Prüfungen für IEC 60917 und IEC 60297  
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## Foreword

The text of document 48D/236/FDIS, future edition 1 of IEC 61587-2 prepared by SC 48D, Mechanical structures for electronic equipment, of IEC TC 48, Electromechanical components and mechanical structures for electronic equipment, was submitted to the IEC-CENELEC parallel vote and was approved by CENELEC as EN 61587-2 on 2001-01-01.

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- latest date by which the EN has to be implemented  
at national level by publication of an identical  
national standard or by endorsement (dop) 2001-10-01
- latest date by which the national standards conflicting  
with the EN have to be withdrawn (dow) 2004-01-01

Annexes designated "normative" are part of the body of the standard.  
In this standard, annex ZA is normative.  
Annex ZA has been added by CENELEC.

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## Annex ZA (normative)

### Normative references to international publications with their corresponding European publications

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NOTE When an international publication has been modified by common modifications, indicated by (mod), the relevant EN/HD applies.

| <u>Publication</u>             | <u>Year</u>   | <u>Title</u>   | <u>EN/HD</u>                  | <u>Year</u>        |
|--------------------------------|---------------|--|-------------------------------|--------------------|
| IEC 60068-2-6<br>+ corr. March | 1995<br>1996  | Environmental testing<br>Part 2: Tests - Test Fc: Vibration<br>(sinusoidal)  | EN 60068-2-6                  | 1995               |
| IEC 60068-2-47                 | 1999          | Part 2-47: Test methods - Mounting of<br>components, equipment and other articles<br>for vibration, impact and similar dynamic<br>tests  | EN 60068-2-47<br>+ corr. June | 1999<br>2000       |
| IEC 60068-2-57                 | 1999          | Part 2-57: Tests - Test Ff: Vibration -<br>Time-history method   | EN 60068-2-57                 | 2000               |
| IEC 60068-3-3                  | 1991          | Part 3: Guidance - Seismic test methods<br>for equipments  | HD 323.3.3 S1                 | 1991               |
| IEC 60297-1                    | <sup>1)</sup> | Dimensions of mechanical structures of<br>the 482,6 mm (19 in) series<br>Part 1: Panels and racks  | HD 493.1 S1                   | 1988 <sup>2)</sup> |
| IEC 60297-2                    | <sup>1)</sup> | Part 2: Cabinets and pitches of rack<br>structures   | HD 493.2 S1                   | 1988 <sup>2)</sup> |
| IEC 60297-3                    | <sup>1)</sup> | Part 3: Subracks and associated plug-in<br>units   | HD 493.3 S2                   | 1993 <sup>2)</sup> |
| IEC 60297-4                    | <sup>1)</sup> | Part 4: Subracks and associated plug-in<br>units - Additional dimensions   | EN 60297-4                    | 1995 <sup>2)</sup> |
| IEC 60917-2                    | <sup>1)</sup> | Modular order for the development of<br>mechanical structures for electronic<br>equipment practices<br>Part 2: Sectional specification - Interface<br>co-ordination dimensions for the 25 mm<br>equipment practice | EN 60917-2                    | 1994 <sup>2)</sup> |

<sup>1)</sup> undated reference.

<sup>2)</sup> valid edition at date of issue.

| <u>Publication</u> | <u>Year</u>   | <u>Title</u>  | <u>EN/HD</u> | <u>Year</u>        |
|--------------------|---------------|---|--------------|--------------------|
| IEC 60917-2-1      | <sup>1)</sup> | Part 2: Sectional specification - Interface co-ordination dimensions for the 25 mm equipment practice -- Section 1: Detail specification - Dimensions for cabinets and racks  | EN 60917-2-1 | 1995 <sup>2)</sup> |
| IEC 60917-2-2      | <sup>1)</sup> | Part 2: Sectional specification - Interface co-ordination dimensions for the 25 mm equipment practice -- Section 2: Detail specification - Dimensions for subracks, chassis, backplanes, front panels and plug-in units | EN 60917-2-2 | 1996 <sup>2)</sup> |
| IEC 61587-1        | <sup>1)</sup> | Mechanical structures for electronic equipment - Tests for IEC 60917 and IEC 60297<br>Part 1: Climatic, mechanical tests and safety aspects for cabinets, racks, subracks and chassis                                   | EN 61587-1   | 1999 <sup>2)</sup> |

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**MECHANICAL STRUCTURES FOR ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT –  
TESTS FOR IEC 60917 AND IEC 60297 –**

**Part 2: Seismic tests for cabinets and racks**

FOREWORD

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The text of this standard is based on the following documents:

| FDIS         | Report on voting |
|--------------|------------------|
| 48D/236/FDIS | 48D/245/RVD      |

Full information on the voting for the approval of this standard can be found in the report on voting indicated in the above table.

This publication has been drafted in accordance with the ISO/IEC Directives, Part 3.

IEC 61587 consists of the following parts under the general title *Mechanical structures for electronic equipment – Tests for IEC 60917 and IEC 60297*:

Part 1: Climatic, mechanical tests and safety aspects for cabinets, racks, subracks and chassis

Part 2: Seismic tests for cabinets and racks

Part 3: Electromagnetic shielding performance tests for cabinets, racks and subracks

The committee has decided that the contents of this publication will remain unchanged until 2006. At this date, the publication will be

- reconfirmed;
- withdrawn;
- replaced by a revised edition, or
- amended.

A bilingual version of this standard may be issued at a later date.

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# MECHANICAL STRUCTURES FOR ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT – TESTS FOR IEC 60917 AND IEC 60297 –

## Part 2: Seismic tests for cabinets and racks

### 1 Scope and object

This part of IEC 61587 specifies seismic requirements for cabinets or racks as defined in the IEC 60917 and IEC 60297 series. It applies, in whole or in part, only to the mechanical structures of cabinets or racks for electronic equipment, according to the IEC 60297 and the IEC 60917 series, and does not apply to electronic equipment or systems within the mechanical structures.

The object of this standard is to help ensure physical integrity and environmental performance in mechanical cabinets or racks, taking into account the need for different levels of performance in different applications and geographical regions. It is intended to give the user a high level of confidence in the selection of an equipment practice to meet specific needs. A specific test specimen has been selected (see figure 1).

### 2 Normative references

The following normative documents contain provisions which, through reference in this text, constitute provisions of this part of IEC 61587. For dated references, subsequent amendments to, or revisions of, any of these publications do not apply. However, parties to agreements based on this part of IEC 61587 are encouraged to investigate the possibility of applying the most recent editions of the normative documents indicated below. For undated references, the latest edition of the normative document referred to applies. Members of IEC and ISO maintain registers of currently valid International Standards.

IEC 60068-2-6:1995, *Environmental testing – Part 2: Tests – Test Fc: Vibration (sinusoidal)*

IEC 60068-2-47:1999, *Environmental testing – Part 2-47: Test method – Mounting of components, equipment and other articles for vibration, impact and similar dynamic tests*

IEC 60068-2-57:1999, *Environmental testing – Part 2-57: Tests – Test Ff: Vibration – Time-history method*

IEC 60068-3-3:1991, *Environmental testing – Part 3: Guidance – Seismic test methods for equipment*

IEC 60297-1, *Dimensions of mechanical structures of the 482,6 mm (19 in) series – Part 1: Panels and racks*

IEC 60297-2, *Dimensions of mechanical structures of the 482,6 mm (19 in) series – Part 2: Cabinets and pitches of rack structures*

IEC 60297-3, *Dimensions of mechanical structures of the 482,6 mm (19 in) series – Part 3: Subracks and associated plug-in units*

IEC 60297-4, *Mechanical structures for electronic equipment – Dimensions of mechanical structures of the 482,6 mm (19 in) series – Part 4: Subracks and associated plug-in units – Additional dimensions*

IEC 60917-2, *Modular order for the development of mechanical structures for electronic equipment practices – Part 2: Sectional specification – Interface co-ordination dimensions for the 25 mm equipment practice*

IEC 60917-2-1, *Modular order for the development of mechanical structures for electronic equipment practices – Part 2: Sectional specification – Interface co-ordination dimensions for the 25 mm equipment practice – Section 1: Detail specification – Dimensions for cabinets and racks*

IEC 60917-2-2, *Modular order for the development of mechanical structures for electronic equipment practices – Part 2: Sectional specification – Interface co-ordination dimensions for the 25 mm equipment practice – Section 2: Detail specification – Dimensions for subracks, chassis, backplanes, front panels and plug-in units*

IEC 61587-1, *Mechanical structures for electronic equipment – Tests for IEC 60917 and IEC 60297 – Part 1: Climatic, mechanical tests and safety aspects for cabinets, racks, subracks, and chassis*

### **3 Seismic and vibration test requirements**

The loading and mounting conditions, along with the cabinet or rack size and as-tested configuration, shall be in compliance with this standard. The cabinet or rack configuration and the set-up and loading condition (shown in figure 1) are based on 5.2 of IEC 61587-1.