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2-1: Particular requirements for starting devices  
(other than glow starters)

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The technical requirements in this document compared to IEC 61347-2-1:2000, IEC 61347-2-1:2000/AMD1:2005 and IEC 61347-2-1:2000/AMD2:2013 are essentially unchanged. Nevertheless, a new edition of this document could not be avoided, as without the introduction of dated references to IEC 61347-1:2015 and IEC 61347-1:2015/AMD1:2017, the fourth edition of IEC 61347-1:—<sup>1</sup> would have been implicitly applicable due to the undated nature of the references to IEC 61347-1 in IEC 61347-2-1:2000, IEC 61347-2-1:2000/AMD1:2005 and IEC 61347-2-1:2000/AMD2:2013.

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## CONTROLGEAR FOR ELECTRIC LIGHT SOURCES – SAFETY –

### Part 2-1: Particular requirements – Starting devices (other than glow starters)

#### 1 Scope

This part of IEC 61347 specifies safety requirements for starting devices (starters other than glow starters and ignitors) for fluorescent and other discharge lamps for use on AC supplies up to 1 000 V at 50 Hz or 60 Hz which produce starting pulses not greater than 100 kV and which are used in combination with lamps and controlgear covered in IEC 60081, IEC 60188, IEC 60192, IEC 60662, IEC 60901, IEC 61167, IEC 61195, IEC 61199, IEC 61347-2-8 and IEC 61347-2-9.

This document does not apply to glow starters or starting devices which are incorporated in discharge lamps or which are manually operated.

NOTE 1 Glow starters are dealt with in IEC 60155.

NOTE 2 Performance requirements are given in IEC 60927.

#### 2 Normative references

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IEC 60052:2002, *Voltage measurement by means of standard air gaps*

IEC 60068-2-75:2014, *Environmental testing – Part 2-75: Tests – Test Eh: Hammer tests*

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

IEC 60155:1993, *Glow-starters for fluorescent lamps*

IEC 60155:1993/AMD1:1995

IEC 60155:1993/AMD2:2006

IEC 60255-8:1990<sup>2</sup>, *Electrical relays – Part 8: Thermal electrical relays*

IEC 60598 (all parts), *Luminaires*

IEC 60598-1:2020, *Luminaires – Part 1: General requirements and tests*

IEC 60901, *Single-capped fluorescent lamps – Performance specifications*

IEC 61347-1:2015, *Lamp controlgear – Part 1: General and safety requirements*

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ISO 3864 (all parts), *Graphical symbols – Safety colours and safety signs*

### 3 Terms and definitions

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#### 3.1

##### **starting device**

ignitor

device designed to provide the appropriate electrical conditions to start a discharge lamp by itself or in combination with other components in the circuit

[SOURCE: IEC 60500-845:2020, 845-28-041, modified – The admitted term "ignitor" has been added.]

#### 3.2

##### **starter**

device, usually for fluorescent lamps, which is used for the purpose of starting the discharge lamp by providing the necessary preheating of the cathode and, in combination with the series inductance of the ballast, causes a voltage surge applied to the discharge lamp

Note 1 to entry: The starter element that releases the starting voltage pulse can be either triggered or non-triggered.

[SOURCE: IEC 60500-845:2020, 845-28-042]

#### 3.3

##### **starting device with operating time limitation**

starting device which prevents prolonged attempts to start lamps which refuse to start, for example, lamps with deactivated electrodes

Note 1 to entry: Prevention of starting attempts means that in the case of starters, the starting-current circuit is switched off or the current in the starting circuit is limited to a value equal to or smaller than the rated lamp current.

In the case of ignitors, prevention of starting attempts means that pulse generation has ceased, or voltage pulses are significantly reduced in amplitude.

#### 3.4

##### **peak voltage**

highest value of the voltage pulses generated by an ignitor at the output terminals

#### 3.5

##### **spherical spark gap**

two metal spheres of the same diameter arranged at a specified distance and used under specified conditions for the measurement of peak voltages in excess of 15 kV

#### 3.6

##### **maximum case temperature under abnormal conditions**

$(t_c + X)$

maximum allowable case temperature of the starting devices and ignitors under abnormal conditions with metal halide lamps

Note 1 to entry: The value of  $(t_c + X)$  is declared by the manufacturer.