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- c) inclusion of tables for optional fan-cooled ratings, external dielectric clearances and sound pressure levels;
- d) revision of short-circuit requirements for distribution and substation voltage regulators;
- e) inclusion of an universal interface between control enclosure and apparatus;
- f) inclusion of tap-changer routine and type tests;
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<sup>1</sup> A list of IEEE participants can be found at the following URL:  
<https://standards.ieee.org/standard/C57.15-2017.html>

## POWER TRANSFORMERS –

### Part 21: Standard requirements, terminology, and test code for step-voltage regulators

#### 1 Scope

This document describes electrical, mechanical and test requirements of liquid-immersed, single- and three-phase, 50 Hz and 60 Hz, self and forced-air cooled, distribution, overhead and substation, step-voltage regulators, 1 000 kVA (single-phase units) or 3 000 kVA (three-phase units) and smaller, 34 500 volts and below (2 400 V minimum) and their associated controls.

Requirements, references and definitions relevant to either IEC or IEEE contexts are given and their use is described in Clause 4.

#### 2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

##### 2.1 IEC references

IEC 60050-421, *International Electrotechnical Vocabulary – Chapter 421: Power transformers and reactors*

IEC 60060 (all parts), *High-voltage test techniques*

IEC 60076-2, *Power transformers – Part 2: Temperature rise for liquid-immersed transformers*

IEC 60255-1, *Measuring relays and protection equipment – Part 1: Common requirements*

IEC 60255-21-1, *Electrical relays – Part 21: Vibration, shock, bump and seismic tests on measuring relays and protection equipment – Section One: Vibration tests (sinusoidal)*

IEC 60255-26, *Measuring relays and protection equipment – Part 26: Electromagnetic compatibility requirements*

IEC 60255-27, *Measuring relays and protection equipment – Part 27: Product safety requirements*

IEC 61672-1, *Electroacoustics – Sound level meters – Part 1: Specifications*

##### 2.2 IEEE references

IEEE Std 4™, *IEEE Standard Techniques for High-Voltage Testing*

IEEE Std C37.90.1™, *IEEE Standard Surge Withstand Capability (SWC) Tests for Relays and Relay Systems Associated with Electric Power Apparatus*

IEEE Std C37.90.2™, *IEEE Standard for Withstand Capability of Relay Systems to Radiated Electromagnetic Interference from Transceivers*

IEEE Std C37.90.3™, *IEEE Standard Electrostatic Discharge Tests for Protective Relays*

IEEE Std C57.12.31™, *IEEE Standard for Pole-Mounted Equipment – Enclosure Integrity*

IEEE Std C57.19.00™, *IEEE Standard General Requirements and Test Procedure for Outdoor Power Apparatus Bushings*

IEEE Std C57.91™, *IEEE Guide for Loading Mineral-Oil-Immersed Transformers*

### 2.3 SAE references

SAE AS50151, *General specification for connectors, electrical, circular threaded, AN type*<sup>2</sup>

## 3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in IEC 60050-421 and the following apply.

ISO, IEC and IEEE maintain terminological databases for use in standardization at the following addresses:

- IEC Electropedia: available at <http://www.electropedia.org/>
- ISO Online browsing platform: available at <http://www.iso.org/obp>
- IEEE Standards Dictionary Online: available at <http://ieeexplore.ieee.org/xpls/dictionary.jsp>

### 3.1

#### **ambient sound level**

background noise level measured with the voltage regulator de-energized

### 3.2

#### **ambient temperature**

temperature of the medium, such as air, water, or earth, into which the heat of the equipment is dissipated

Note 1 to entry: For self-ventilated equipment, the ambient temperature is the average temperature of the air in the immediate neighbourhood of the equipment.

Note 2 to entry: For air-cooled equipment with forced ventilation, the ambient temperature is taken as that of the in-going air.

### 3.3

#### **angular displacement**

time angle, expressed in degrees, between the line-to-neutral voltage of the unregulated circuit and the line-to-neutral voltage of the corresponding regulated load circuit

<sup>2</sup> SAE (Society of Automotive Engineers) international publications are available from SAE, 400 Commonwealth Drive, Warrendale, PA 15096, USA (<http://sae.org/>).