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This fourth edition cancels and replaces the third edition published in 2014. This edition constitutes a technical revision.

This edition includes the following significant technical changes with respect to the previous edition:

a) deletion of references to universal AC and DC interfaces;
b) additional requirements for contact materials and plating;
c) changes to the temperature rise test to include additional points of measurement;
d) additional tests for accessories to address thermal stresses and stability, mechanical wear and abuse, and exposure to contaminants;

e) relocation of information and requirements for DC charging to IEC 62196-3.

The text of this International Standard is based on the following documents:

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INTRODUCTION

IEC 61851 (all parts) specifies requirements for electric vehicle (EV) conductive charging systems.

IEC 62196 (all parts) specifies the requirements for plugs, socket-outlets, vehicle connectors, vehicle inlets and cable assemblies as described in the IEC 61851 series.

Some charging can be achieved by direct connection from an electric vehicle to standard socket-outlets connected to a supply network (mains or electrical grid).

Some modes of charging require a dedicated supply and charging equipment incorporating control and communication circuits.

IEC 62196 (all parts) covers the mechanical, electrical and performance requirements for plugs, socket-outlets, vehicle connectors and vehicle inlets for the connection between the EV supply equipment and the electric vehicle.

The IEC 62196 series consists of the following parts:

– Part 1: General requirements, comprising clauses of a general character.
– Part 2: Dimensional compatibility and interchangeability requirements for AC pin and contact-tube accessories.
– Part 3: Dimensional compatibility and interchangeability requirements for DC and AC/DC pin and contact-tube vehicle couplers.
– Part 3-1: Vehicle connector, vehicle inlet and cable assembly intended to be used with a thermal management system for DC charging.
– Part 4[1]: Dimensional compatibility and interchangeability requirements for DC pin and contact-tube accessories for Class II or Class III applications.
– Part 6: Dimensional compatibility and interchangeability requirements for DC pin and contact-tube couplers for applications using a system of protective electrical separation.

[1] Pending publication.

PLUGS, SOCKET-OUTLETS, VEHICLE CONNECTORS AND VEHICLE INLETS – CONDUCTIVE CHARGING OF ELECTRIC VEHICLES –

Part 1: General requirements

1 Scope

This part of IEC 62196 is applicable to EV plugs, EV socket-outlets, vehicle connectors, vehicle inlets, herein referred to as "accessories", and to cable assemblies for electric vehicles (EV) intended for use in conductive charging systems which incorporate control means, with a rated operating voltage not exceeding:

– 690 V AC 50 Hz to 60 Hz, at a rated current not exceeding 250 A;
– 1 500 V DC at a rated current not exceeding 800 A.

These accessories and cable assemblies are intended to be installed by instructed persons (IEV 195-04-02) or skilled persons (IEV 195-04-01) only.

These accessories and cable assemblies are intended to be used for circuits specified in IEC 61851 (all parts), which operate at different voltages and frequencies, and which can include extra-low voltage and communication signals.

These accessories and cable assemblies are intended to be used at an ambient temperature between −30 °C and +40 °C.

NOTE 1 In some countries, other requirements can apply.

NOTE 2 In the following country, −35 °C applies: SE.

NOTE 3 The manufacturer can enlarge the temperature range on the condition that the specified range information is provided.

These accessories are intended to be connected only to cables with copper or copper-alloy conductors.

The accessories covered by this document are intended for use in electric vehicle supply equipment in accordance with IEC 61851 (all parts).

This document does not apply to standard plug and socket-outlets used for mode 1 and mode 2 according to IEC 61851-1:2017, 6.2.

NOTE 4 In the following countries, mode 1 is not allowed: UK, US, CA, SG.

2 Normative references

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IEC 60068-2-14, *Environmental testing – Part 2-14: Tests – Test N: Change of temperature*

IEC 60068-2-30, *Environmental testing – Part 2-30: Tests – Test Db: Damp heat, cyclic (12 h + 12 h cycle)*

IEC 60112, *Method for the determination of the proof and the comparative tracking indices of solid insulating materials*

IEC 60227 (all parts), *Polyvinyl chloride insulated cables of rated voltages up to and including 450/750 V*

IEC 60228:2004, *Conductors of insulated cables*

IEC 60245-4, *Rubber insulated cables – Rated voltages up to and including 450/750 V – Part 4: Cords and flexible cables*

IEC 60269-1, *Low-voltage fuses – Part 1: General requirements*

IEC 60269-2*, Low-voltage fuses – Part 2: Supplementary requirements for fuses for use by authorized persons (fuses mainly for industrial application) – Examples of standardized systems of fuses A to K*

IEC 60309-4:2021, *Plugs, fixed or portable socket-outlets and appliance inlets for industrial purposes – Part 4: Switched socket-outlets with or without interlock*

IEC 60529:1989, *Degrees of protection provided by enclosures (IP code)*
IEC 60529:1989/AMD1:1999
IEC 60529:1989/AMD2:2013

IEC 60664-1:2020, *Insulation coordination for equipment within low-voltage supply systems – Part 1: Principles, requirements and tests*

IEC 60664-3, *Insulation coordination for equipment within low-voltage systems – Part 3: Use of coating, potting or moulding for protection against pollution*

IEC 60695-2-11, *Fire hazard testing – Part 2-11: Glowing/hot-wire based test methods – Glow-wire flammability test method for end-products (GWEPT)*

IEC 60695-10-2, *Fire hazard testing – Part 10-2: Abnormal heat – Ball pressure test method*

IEC 60947-3:2020, *Low-voltage switchgear and controlgear – Part 3: Switches, disconnectors, switch-disconnectors and fuse-combination units*

IEC 60947-5-1, *Low-voltage switchgear and controlgear – Part 5-1: Control circuit devices and switching elements – Electromechanical control circuit devices*

IEC 61032:1997, *Protection of persons and equipment by enclosures – Probes for verification*

IEC 61058-1:2016, *Switches for appliances – Part 1: General requirements*

IEC 61851-1:2017, *Electric vehicle conductive charging system – Part 1: General requirements*

IEC 61851-23:—[2], *Electric vehicle conductive charging system – Part 23: DC electric vehicle supply equipment*

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[2] Second edition under preparation. Stage at the time of publication: IEC PRVC 61851-23:2022.

IEC 62196-2:2022, *Plugs, socket-outlets, vehicle connectors and vehicle inlets – Conductive charging of electric vehicles – Part 2: Dimensional compatibility requirements for AC pin and contact-tube accessories*

IEC 62196-3:2022, *Plugs, socket-outlets, vehicle connectors and vehicle inlets – Conductive charging of electric vehicles – Part 3: Dimensional compatibility requirements for DC and AC/DC pin and contact-tube vehicle couplers*

ISO 1456, *Metallic and other inorganic coatings – Electrodeposited coatings of nickel, nickel plus chromium, copper plus nickel and of copper plus nickel plus chromium*

ISO 2081, *Metallic and other inorganic coatings – Electroplated coatings of zinc with supplementary treatments on iron or steel*

ISO 2093, *Electroplated coatings of tin – Specification and test methods*

ISO 4521:2008, *Metallic and other inorganic coatings – Electrodeposited silver and silver alloy coatings for engineering purposes – Specification and test methods*

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply.

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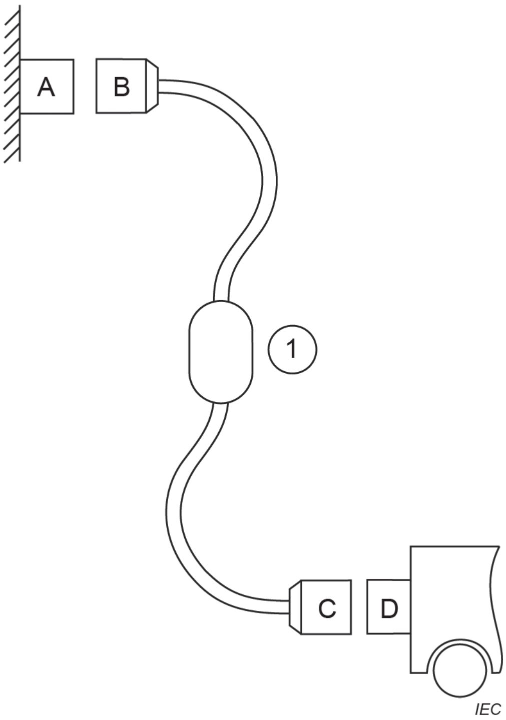
- IEC Electropedia: available at http://www.electropedia.org/
- ISO Online browsing platform: available at http://www.iso.org/obp

NOTE 1 Where the terms "voltage" and "current" are used, they imply root mean square (RMS) values, unless otherwise specified.

NOTE 2 The application of accessories is shown in Figure 1.



Key

1	In-cable control and protective device (IC-CPD)
A	Standard socket-outlet or EV socket-outlet
B	Standard plug or EV plug
C	Vehicle connector
D	Vehicle inlet

Figure 1 – Diagram showing the use of the accessories

3.1
auxiliary power
electrical energy provision from an external source used for purposes other than charging of the electric vehicle propulsion battery

Note 1 to entry: In French, the resulting assembly when a plug is inserted into a socket-outlet is called "prise de courant".

3.2
cable assembly
assembly consisting of flexible cable or cord fitted with a standard plug or EV plug and/or a vehicle connector, that is used to establish the connection between the EV and the supply network or an EV charging station

Note 1 to entry: A cable assembly can be detachable or be a part of the EV or of the EV charging station.

Note 2 to entry: A cable assembly can include one or more cables, with or without a fixed jacket, which can be in a flexible tube, conduit or wire way.

[SOURCE: IEC 61851-1:2017, 3.5.2, modified – "plug" has been replaced with "standard plug or EV plug".]

3.3
cap
part separated or attached, which may be used to provide the degree of protection of an EV plug or vehicle inlet, when it is not engaged with an EV socket-outlet or a vehicle connector

3.4
clamping unit
part of a terminal necessary for the clamping and the electrical connection of the conductor

3.5
compatibility
compatible
ability of accessories to join together and be functional

Note 1 to entry: Non-compatible accessories can physically join together, but not be functional.

3.6
conditional short-circuit current
prospective current that an accessory, protected by a specified short-circuit protective device, can withstand satisfactorily for the total operating time of that device under specified conditions of use and behaviour

[SOURCE: IEC 60050-441:1984, 441-17-20, modified – The concept of current-limiting device has been broadened into a short-circuit protective device, the function of which is not only to limit the current.]

3.7
conductive part
part that can carry electric current

[SOURCE: IEC 60050-195:2021, 195-01-06]

3.8
connection
single conductive path

3.9
cord extension set
assembly consisting of a flexible cable or cord fitted with an EV plug that is intended to mate with a vehicle connector as covered by the IEC 62196 series

3.10
control circuit device
electrical device intended for the controlling, signalling, interlocking, etc. of switchgear and controlgear

Note 1 to entry: See IEC 60947-1:2020, 3.4.16.

[SOURCE: IEC 60309-4:2021, 3.406]

3.11
cover
means providing the degree of protection of an accessory when it is not engaged with a standard or EV socket-outlet or vehicle connector

Note 1 to entry: A cover can be used as the retaining means or as part of the retaining means.

Note 2 to entry: Caps, lids, shutters and similar devices can perform the function of a cover.

3.12
double insulation
insulation comprising both basic insulation and supplementary insulation

[SOURCE IEC 60050-195:2021, 195-06-08]