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3.29	Clarification on identification of maximum and minimum current
3.34	Definition of main insulation
3.35	Definition of converter capable machine
3.36	Definition of converter duty machine
3.37	Definition of shaft voltage
4.2	Explanation for using duty types S9 and S10 for converter duty machines
5.6.3	New subclause for clarification of the terms range of rated voltages and voltage variations
6.2	Requirement to consider reduced arcing distance in machine design for altitudes >1 000 m
7.1	Clarification on bus transfer or fast reclosing Clarification on the capability to withstand impulse voltages
7.3	New subclause on voltage deviation during starting
7.4	Extended variation of supply frequency Note added on design for operation with extended voltage and frequency Recommended derating added for high variations of voltage and frequency
7.6	Clarification that enamelled wires are no bare living material
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9.5	Extended to requirements on minimum locked rotor torque
9.10	Note added on criteria for commutation test
9.11.3	Clarification added that synchronous motors do not need a THD test
9.12	New subclause on protective earth test
9.13	New subclause on measurement of insulation resistance and polarization index
9.14	New subclause on shaft-voltage measurement
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12.1	Clarification on the tolerances due to the accuracy of the test equipment Note on measurement uncertainty added

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## Part 1: Rating and performance

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IEC 60027-1:1992/AMD1:1997  
IEC 60027-1:1992/AMD2:2005

IEC 60027-4:2006, *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 60034-3:2020, *Rotating electrical machines – Part 3: Specific requirements for synchronous generators driven by steam turbines or combustion gas turbines and for synchronous compensators*

IEC 60034-5:2020, *Rotating electrical machines – Part 5: Degrees of protection provided by the integral design of rotating electrical machines (IP code) – Classification*

IEC 60034-6:1991, *Rotating electrical machines – Part 6: Methods of cooling (IC code)*

IEC 60034-8:2007, *Rotating electrical machines – Part 8: Terminal markings and direction of rotation*  
IEC 60034-8:2007/AMD1:2014

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

IEC 60034-15:2009, *Rotating electrical machines – Part 15: Impulse voltage withstand levels of form-wound stator coils for rotating a.c. machines*

IEC 60034-18 (all parts), *Rotating electrical machines – Part 18: Functional evaluation of insulation systems*

IEC 60034-18-41:2014, *Rotating electrical machines – Part 18-41: Partial discharge free electrical insulation systems (Type I) used in rotating electrical machines fed from voltage converters – Qualification and quality control tests*

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IEC 60034-18-42:2017, *Rotating electrical machines – Part 18-42: Partial discharge resistant electrical insulation systems (Type II) used in rotating electrical machines fed from voltage converters – Qualification tests*

IEC 60034-18-42:2017/AMD1:2020

IEC 60034-19:2014, *Rotating electrical machines – Part 19: Specific test methods for d.c. machines on conventional and rectifier-fed supplies*

IEC TS 60034-25:2014, *Rotating electrical machines – Part 25: AC electrical machines used in power drive systems – Application guide*

IEC 60034-27-4, *Rotating electrical machines – Part 27-4: Measurement of insulation resistance and polarization index of winding insulation of rotating electrical machines*

IEC 60034-29:2008, *Rotating electrical machines – Part 29: Equivalent loading and superposition techniques – Indirect testing to determine temperature rise*

IEC 60034-30-1:2014, *Rotating electrical machines – Part 30-1: Efficiency classes of line operated AC motors (IE-code)*

IEC TS 60034-30-2, *Rotating electrical machines – Part 30-2: Efficiency classes of variable speed AC motors (IE-code)*

IEC 60034-33: *Rotating electrical machines – Part 33: Specific technical requirements for hydro generators*

~~IEC 60038, IEC standard voltages~~

IEC 60050-411:1996, *International Electrotechnical Vocabulary (IEV) – Part 411: Rotating machines machinery*

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

IEC 61148:2011, *Terminal markings for valve device stacks and assemblies and for power conversion equipment*

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CISPR 14 (all parts), *Electromagnetic compatibility – Requirements for household appliances, electric tools and similar apparatus*

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### 3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions in IEC 60050-411, ~~some of which are repeated here for convenience,~~ and the following apply.

NOTE 1 For definitions concerning cooling and coolants, other than those in 3.17 to 3.22, see IEC 60034-6.

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#### 3.1

##### rated value

quantity value assigned, generally by a manufacturer, for a specified operating condition of a machine

Note 1 to entry: The rated voltage or voltage range is the rated voltage or voltage range between lines at the terminals.