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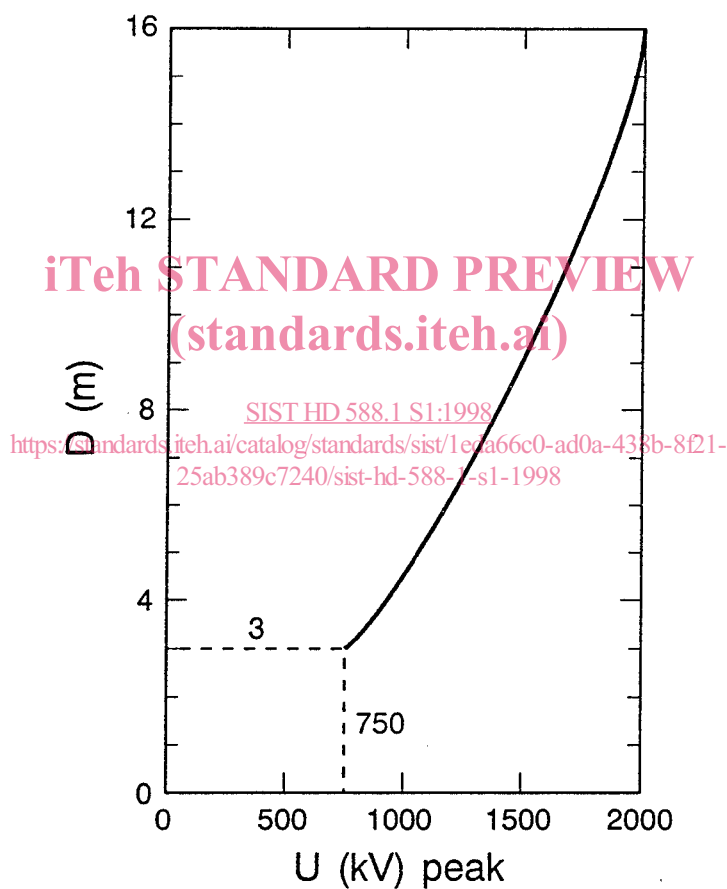
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Minimum clearance  $D$  of extraneous live or grounded objects to the energized electrode of a test object, during an a.c. or positive switching impulse test at the maximum voltage  $U$  applied during test.

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## HIGH VOLTAGE TEST TECHNIQUES

## Part 1: General definitions and test requirements

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## HIGH VOLTAGE TEST TECHNIQUES

### PART 1: GENERAL DEFINITIONS AND TEST REQUIREMENTS

#### Section 1: General

##### 1 Scope

This standard is applicable to:

- dielectric tests with direct voltage;
- dielectric tests with alternating voltage;
- dielectric tests with impulse voltage;
- tests with impulse current;
- tests with combinations of the above.

This standard is applicable only to tests on equipment having its highest voltage for equipment  $U_m$  above 1 kV.

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This standard is not intended to be used for electromagnetic compatibility tests on electric or electronic equipment.

##### 2 Object

The object of this standard is:

- to define terms of both general and specific applicability;
- to present general requirements regarding test objects and test procedures;
- to describe methods for generation and measurement of test voltages and currents;
- to describe test procedures;
- to describe methods for the evaluation of test results and to indicate criteria for acceptance or refusal.

Definitions and requirements concerning approved measuring devices and checking methods are given in IEC Publication 60-3: High Voltage Test Techniques — Measuring Devices.

Alternative test procedures may be required to obtain reproducible and significant results. The choice of a suitable test procedure should be made by the relevant Technical Committee.

## Section 2: General Definitions

### 3 Impulses

An impulse is an intentionally applied aperiodic transient voltage or current which usually rises rapidly to a peak value and then falls more slowly to zero.

For special purposes, impulses having approximately linearly rising fronts or transients of oscillating or approximately rectangular form are used.

The term "impulse" is to be distinguished from the term "surge" which refers to transients occurring in electrical equipment or networks in service.

#### 3.1 *Lightning and switching impulses*

A distinction is made between lightning and switching impulses on the basis of duration of the front. Impulses with front duration up to 20  $\mu$ s are defined as lightning impulses and those with longer fronts are defined as switching impulses.

Generally, switching impulses are also characterized by total durations considerably longer than those of lightning impulses.

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### 4 Characteristics related to disruptive discharge and test voltages

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#### 4.1 *Disruptive discharge*

In this standard, the term "disruptive discharge" (sometimes referred to as "electrical breakdown") relates to phenomena associated with the failure of insulation under electrical stress, in which the discharge completely bridges the insulation under test, reducing the voltage between the electrodes practically to zero. It applies to electrical breakdown in solid, liquid and gaseous dielectrics and combinations of these.

Non-sustained disruptive discharge in which the test object is momentarily bridged by a spark or arc may occur. During these events the voltage across the test object is momentarily reduced to zero or to a very small value. Depending on the characteristics of the test circuit and the test object, a recovery of dielectric strength may occur and may even permit the test voltage to reach a higher value. Such an event should be interpreted as a disruptive discharge unless otherwise specified by the relevant Technical Committee.

Non-disruptive discharges such as those between intermediate electrodes or conductors may also occur without reduction of the test voltage to zero. Such an event should not be interpreted as a disruptive discharge unless so specified by the relevant Technical Committee.

Some non-disruptive discharges are termed "partial discharges" and are dealt with in IEC Publication 270: Partial Discharge Measurements.

The term "sparkover" is used when a disruptive discharge occurs in a gaseous or liquid medium.

The term “flashover” is used when a disruptive discharge occurs over the surface of a dielectric in a gaseous or liquid medium.

The term “puncture” is used when a disruptive discharge occurs through a solid dielectric.

A disruptive discharge in a solid dielectric produces permanent loss of dielectric strength; in a liquid or gaseous dielectric the loss may be only temporary.

#### 4.2 *Characteristics of the test voltage*

The characteristics of a test voltage are those characteristics specified in this standard for designating the different types of voltage excursion that define the test voltage.

##### 4.2.1 *Prospective characteristics of a test voltage*

The prospective characteristics of a test voltage causing disruptive discharge are the characteristics which would have been obtained if no disruptive discharge had occurred. When a prospective characteristic is used, this shall always be stated.

##### 4.2.2 *Actual characteristics of a test voltage*

The actual characteristics of a test voltage are those which occur during the test at the terminals of the test object.

##### 4.2.3 *Value of the test voltage*

The value of the test voltage is defined in the relevant Clauses of the present standard.

#### 4.3 *Disruptive discharge voltage of a test object*

The disruptive discharge voltage of a test object is the value of the test voltage causing disruptive discharge, as specified, for the various tests, in the relevant Clauses of the present standard.

#### 4.4 *Statistical characteristics of disruptive discharge voltages*

Disruptive discharge voltages are subject to random variations and, usually, a number of observations must be made in order to obtain a statistically significant value of the voltage. The test procedures, described in the present standard, are generally based on statistical considerations. Information on the statistical evaluation of test results is given in Appendix A.

##### 4.4.1 *Disruptive discharge probability $p$ of a test object*

The disruptive discharge probability  $p$  of a test object is the probability that one application of a certain prospective voltage value of a given shape will cause disruptive discharge in the test object. The parameter  $p$  may be expressed as a percentage or a fraction.