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IEC 61010-1:2010 contains a requirement in 6.8.3.1 pertaining to voltage testers for type tests as follows:

*“The generator shall be able to supply a power of at least 500 VA.”*

This has given rise to the following questions:

How does one interpret the requirement for voltage testers in 6.8.3.1 of IEC 61010-1:2010? Specifically, this subclause requires that “The generator shall be able to supply a power of at least 500 VA.” Does this requirement apply throughout the rated output range of the voltage tester? What is meant by the word “generator”? Is the “generator” the power supply within the voltage tester, or the voltage tester output, or something else?

**Interpretation:**

“A voltage tester used for type tests must be able to deliver at least 500 VA at its full-rated output voltage. It does not necessarily need to deliver 500 VA if set for lower voltages.

For example, a voltage tester that can deliver 100 mA at any test output voltage up to 5 000 V (and a current corresponding to 500 VA above 5 000 V) would meet the requirement.

The requirements for voltage testers used for routine (production line) tests are included in Annex F. The requirements of 6.8.3.1 do not apply to these voltage testers.”

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## Part 1: General requirements

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

- a) Clause 2, all normative references have been dated and new normative references have been added;
- b) 4.4.2.101 is a new subclause about surge protective devices;
- c) Subclause 6.6.101 modifies 6.6.101 and 6.6.102 of previous edition:
  - 1) in 6.6.101.1, insulating material of group I may be allowed for determination of CREEPAGE DISTANCES of measuring circuit TERMINALS;
  - 2) in 6.6.101.2, CLEARANCES and CREEPAGE DISTANCES up to 3 000 V for measuring circuit TERMINALS in unmated position have been defined;
  - 3) in 6.6.101.3, requirements for measuring circuit TERMINALS in partially mated position have been specified;
  - 4) in 6.6.101.4, requirements for measuring circuit TERMINALS in mated position have been specified;
  - 5) Subclause 6.6.101.5 replaces 6.6.102;
- d) Subclause 6.101 replaces 6.9.101 of the previous edition with modifications;
- e) 9.101 is a new subclause to consider the protection of measuring circuits against the spread of fire and arc flash;
- f) in 9.101.2, relocation of 101.3 of previous edition;
- g) in 9.101.3, relocation of 101.4 of previous edition;
- h) in 101.3, relocation of Clause 102 of previous edition;
- i) in K.2.1, another method for determination of CLEARANCES of secondary circuits is proposed;
- j) in K.3.2, new Table K.15 and Table K.16 for CLEARANCE calculation;
- k) Clause K.4 of the previous edition has been deleted;
- l) Subclause K.101.4 has been reviewed;
- m) Table K.104 of the previous edition has been deleted;
- n) Annex AA: Figure AA.1 has been redesigned;
- o) Annex EE: addition of a new informative annex for determination of CLEARANCES for the purposes of Table 101.

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