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INTRODUCTION

Add, at the end of the existing text, the following new paragraph:

Generally, gas-filled medium-voltage designs have design pressures below 500 kPa, as mentioned for example in the introduction of EN 50187.

2 Normative references

Delete the existing reference to IEC 62271-203:2011.

Add the following normative reference:

ISO 4126-2, *Safety devices for protection against excessive pressure – Part 2: Bursting disc safety devices*

3 Terms and definitions

Replace the existing 3.6.101 term, definition and notes to entry with the following:

3.6.101

loss of service continuity category

LSC

<of a functional unit> category defining the possibility to keep other high-voltage compartments and/or functional units energized when opening its connection compartment or any other of its high-voltage compartment(s) accessible in normal use, as stated in definitions 3.5.110 and 3.5.111, giving access to at least part of the high-voltage circuit contained within

Note 1 to entry: The LSC category describes the extent to which the assembly is intended to remain operational where access to a high-voltage compartment is provided. The extent to which it is considered necessary to open high-voltage compartments of an installation in service might be dependent on several aspects (refer to 9.101).

Note 2 to entry: The LSC category does not describe or relate to different levels of reliability of assemblies (refer to 9.101).

Note 3 to entry: In relation to providing access to high-voltage compartments and the associated service continuity, four categories are defined: LSC1, LSC2, LSC2A, LSC2B (refer to Annex D).

6 Design and construction

6.10 Pressure/level indication

Replace the existing sentence of this subclause with the following new text:

Subclause 6.10 of IEC 62271-1:2017 is applicable with the following addition to 6.10.1 of IEC 62271-1:2017.

For gas-filled compartments where the minimum functional pressure exceeds 200 kPa (absolute pressure at 20 °C) an indication shall be provided when the absolute pressure at 20 °C has fallen below the minimum functional level (refer to 3.6.114).

NOTE 1 The indication might include monitoring of pressure (density).

Closed pressure systems with minimum functional pressure above 200 kPa (absolute pressure) shall have a defined alarm pressure (density) level.

NOTE 2 Alarm pressure (density) is defined in IEC 62271-1:2017, 3.6.5.3 and 3.6.5.4.

An example of pressure coordination chart is shown in Figure E.1.

6.102.2 Covers and doors

Replace the existing item b) with the following new item:

- b) Covers and doors that give access to interlock-controlled accessible or procedure-based accessible compartments

These covers and doors shall be provided if there is a need to access the compartment for normal use as stated by the manufacturer. These covers and doors shall not require tools for their opening or removal. It is permissible that the manipulation of some fixing elements for their opening or removal is required, and they shall have the following features:

- interlock controlled accessible compartments shall be provided with interlocking devices so that opening of the compartment shall only be possible when the high-voltage parts contained in the compartment being made accessible are isolated and earthed, or are in the disconnected position with corresponding shutters closed;
- procedure-based accessible compartments shall be provided with provision for locking, e.g. padlocking. Suitable procedures should be put in place by the user to ensure that a procedure-based accessible compartment is opened only when the high-voltage parts contained in the compartment being made accessible are isolated and earthed, or in the disconnected position with corresponding shutters closed. Procedures can be dictated by the legislation of the country of installation or by the user safety documentation.

NOTE Examples of fixing elements are screws, bolts, nuts, turning fasteners and sliding fasteners.

If interlock-controlled or procedure-based accessible compartments have covers that can be opened by tools, other than those that are interlocked or locked, proper procedures or specific warning labels should be applied.

Access to a closed interlock-controlled or procedure-based compartment through covers needing only the use of tools to be opened or removed is not intended for normal use. Once an interlocked or locked door or cover of an accessible compartment is opened or removed for normal use, it is permissible that the opening or removing of other covers of the same accessible compartment requires the use of tools.

6.103.1 General

Replace the existing NOTE 1 with the following new note:

NOTE 1 Only interlock-controlled accessible compartments and procedure based accessible compartments are considered when defining the LSC category of a functional unit.

Replace the existing fifth paragraph after NOTE 1 with the following new paragraph:

The LSC category can only be assigned to functional units that include a connection compartment. This implies that e.g. a bus-sectionaliser or bus-coupler functional unit will have no LSC category, refer to Figure 8 and Figure 9.

6.103.2.1 General

Replace, in the existing second sentence of the second paragraph, "are normally filled" with "are filled".

Add, after the existing second paragraph, the following new NOTE 1:

NOTE 1 The non-corrosive conditions that prevail inside gas-filled compartments are maintained by appropriate measures such as filter material to adsorb humidity and decomposition products, if any.

Replace the existing last paragraph of this subclause with the following new paragraph:

Materials used in the construction of enclosures should be of known and certified minimum physical properties on which pressure tests are based (see 7.103). The manufacturer is responsible for the selection of the materials and the maintenance of these minimum properties, based on certification of the material supplier or tests conducted by the manufacturer, or both.

Renumber the existing NOTE as NOTE 2.

6.103.2.2 Design

Replace the existing first paragraph of this subclause with the following new paragraph:

The design of a fluid filled compartment shall be based on the nature of the fluid, the design temperature and the design pressure as defined in this document.

Replace the existing third and fourth paragraphs of this subclause with the following new text:

The design pressure of a compartment is equal to the maximum pressure difference between the fluid inside the compartment at design temperature that the fluid used for insulation can reach under specified maximum service conditions, and the surrounding media, like ambient air or insulation fluids in other compartments. Therefore, the design pressure calculation shall also consider:

- a) the full differential pressure possible across the compartment walls or partitions, including any evacuation process if used during filling or maintenance operations;
- b) the resulting pressure in the event of an accidental leak between the compartments in the case of adjacent compartments having different service pressures.

Add, after the last existing paragraph of this subclause, the following new text:

The design of the fluid-filled compartment shall also take into account the possibility of the occurrence of an internal arc fault.

In normal service, the pressure inside a gas-filled compartment varies from the filling pressure p_{re} with the gas temperature variations, at different service conditions, and possible leaks. Several pressure values shall be coordinated when designing a fluid-filled compartment. An example is shown in Figure E.1.

6.103.2.3 Tightness

Delete the existing third paragraph of this subclause (now moved to 6.10).

6.103.2.4 Pressure relief of fluid-filled compartments

Replace the existing second sentence of this subclause with the following new sentence:

Pressure relief devices shall operate with relative pressure above 1,3 times the design pressure.

7 Type tests

7.102.2 Mechanical and electromechanical interlocks and locking devices

Replace the existing sentence below the 5 dashed items of the fourth paragraph with the following new text:

The force shall be applied at the midpoint of the gripping part of the handle or actuator with the following considerations:

- For handles consisting of one or more levers, the gripping part shall be defined by the manufacturer before testing. In this case, two different scenarios are considered:
 - if intended for gripping with one hand, the gripping part shall not extend more than 100 mm from the end of the lever;
 - if intended for gripping with two hands next to each other, the gripping part shall not extend more than 200 mm from the end of the lever.
- For handles where the lever is extensible or sliding, the lever shall be at the longest possible length, and the full force shall be applied to only one of the gripping parts of the lever(s), if more than one exists.

7.103.1 Pressure withstand test for gas-filled compartments with pressure relief devices

Replace the existing content of this subclause with the following new text:

Each design of a gas-filled compartment equipped with its pressure relief devices(s) shall be subjected to pressure tests as follows:

- Adjacent compartments (if any) shall be set at a pressure not higher than the minimum functional pressure of those compartments. If the manufacturer's instructions reference allow for maintenance of those compartments, they shall be at atmospheric pressure. Alternatively, they even may be evacuated, if allowed by the manufacturer.

NOTE 1 This test configuration covers the over-pressure behaviour under intended service conditions.

NOTE 2 The design pressure (relative pressure) calculation already considers the situation of adjacent compartment evacuated, if allowed by the manufacturer.

- The ambient temperature shall be between 15 °C and 30 °C.

NOTE 3 The temperature range is in accordance with ISO 4126-2.

- For all the following pressure tests, the relative pressure shall be increased with a pressure rise not exceeding 400 kPa/min in order to reach a value of 1,3 times the design pressure of the compartment for a period of 1 min. The pressure relief device shall not operate and the compartment shall not show signs of distress or any distortion likely to affect the operation of the assembly.

- To determine the highest possible value at which the pressure relief device operates, two possible scenarios shall be considered:
 - if no certificate is available for the pressure relief device (for example, in case of integral pressure relief devices), the operating pressure of the pressure relief device shall be verified by testing 5 samples of the pressure relief on the specific compartment design;
 - if a certificate according to ISO 4126-2 for the pressure relief device is available for the range of service temperatures and up to the design temperature, it shall be verified that the operating pressure is in the range given by the certificate by a single test on the specific compartment design.
- For both scenarios, the relative pressure shall be increased with a pressure rise not exceeding 400 kPa/min up to the pressure relief device operates, as designed by the manufacturer.
 - The opening pressure(s) shall be recorded in the type test report.
 - A visual inspection of the orientation of the pressure relief device should be performed. The direction of escaping gases should be indicated in the test report.
- Then, a verification of the safety margin of the compartment with respect to the pressure relief operation shall be performed as follows:
 - the pressure relief device shall be blocked or reinforced without impacting the withstand pressure of the compartment;
 - then, the relative pressure shall be increased with a pressure rise not exceeding 400 kPa/min up to the highest value where the pressure relief would operate (by certificate or test mentioned above) multiplied by a safety factor. Two possible cases shall be considered:
 - if a certificate is available for the pressure relief device for the range of service temperatures and up to the design temperature, the applied safety factor to the upper value of operation given by the certificate shall be 1,1;
 - if no certificate is available for the pressure relief device (for example, in case of integral pressure relief devices), the highest opening pressure recorded in the 5 previous tests is taken and the applied safety factor shall be 1,5.
 - the test pressure level shall be maintained for 1 min;
 - the compartment may be distorted, but it shall not rupture during the test.

7.103.2 Pressure withstand test for gas-filled compartments without pressure-relief devices

Replace the existing title and text of this subclause with the following new title and text:

7.103.2 Pressure withstand test for gas-filled compartments without pressure relief devices

Each design of a gas-filled compartment without pressure relief device shall be subjected to a pressure test according to the following procedure:

- Adjacent compartments (if any) shall be set at a pressure not higher than the minimum functional pressure of those compartments. If the manufacturer's instructions reference allow for maintenance of those compartments, they shall be at atmospheric pressure. Alternatively, they even may be evacuated, if allowed by the manufacturer.

NOTE 1 This test configuration covers the over-pressure behaviour under intended service conditions.

NOTE 2 The design pressure (relative pressure) calculation already considers the situation of adjacent compartment evacuated, if allowed by the manufacturer.

- The ambient temperature shall be between 15 °C and 30 °C.

- The relative pressure shall be increased with a pressure rise not exceeding 400 kPa/min up to three times the design pressure of the compartment, except for those with cast aluminium walls with design pressure above 300 kPa where the upper value shall be five times the design pressure. The test pressure level shall be maintained for 1 min. After the test, the compartment may be distorted but it shall not rupture.

7.105.2 Test conditions

Replace the existing paragraph between NOTE 1 and NOTE 2 with the following text:

If, during the test, an arc ignites in another already arc-tested compartment of the same test object (see 7.105.3), the test is not valid. However, if during the test, an arc ignites in a non-previously arc-tested compartment(s) of the same test object, the test shall be regarded as valid for the compartment where the arc was initiated, under the condition that it can be proven that the ignition was the consequence of design construction, as declared by the manufacturer before the test. Examples of such design constructions are:

- a lower short-circuit withstand of part of the circuit, upstream in the current path from the compartment under test;
- burn-through, or opening of pressure relief flaps, to another compartment.

The manufacturer's declaration shall be referred to in the test report.

The other affected compartment(s) shall be (or shall have been) tested with the point of initiation as required in A.5.2.1. The number of phases to be tested shall be in accordance with A.5.2.1 and Table A.1 provided that the arc initiation involves at least the number of phases involved in this take-over ignition.

8 Routine tests

8.103 Pressure tests of gas-filled compartments

Replace the existing text of this subclause with the following new text:

Each gas-filled compartment with a filling pressure above 150 kPa (absolute pressure) shall withstand during 1 min:

- 2,0 times the design pressure for cast resin, ceramic or cast aluminium gas-filled compartments without pressure relief device;
- 1,3 times the design pressure in other cases.

After this test the compartment shall show no signs of distress or any distortion likely to affect the operation of the assembly.

9 Guide to the selection of switchgear and controlgear (informative)

9.101.2 Architecture and accessibility to high-voltage compartments

Replace the existing content of this subclause with the following new text:

The forms of internal partitioning defined in this document attempt to balance requirements as service continuity and maintainability. In this subclause, some guidance is given regarding the extent to which the different forms can provide maintainability.

NOTE 1 Temporary inserted partitions, to prevent accidental contact with live parts while performing certain maintenance procedures, are addressed in 11.5.

NOTE 2 Possible alternative maintenance procedures, e.g. the establishment of safety distances and/or setting up and use of temporary barriers, are outside the scope of this document.