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

- a) adjustment of structure and references in accordance with IEC 61558-1:2017;
- b) addition of a new symbol for power supply unit with linearly regulated output voltage;
- c) document is not only valid for transformers for tungsten filament handlamps.

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## INTRODUCTION

IEC TC 96 has a group safety function in accordance with IEC Guide 104 for transformers other than those intended to supply distribution networks, in particular transformers and power supply units intended to allow the application of protective measures against electric shock as defined by TC 64, which is about Electrical installations and protection against electric shock, but in certain cases including the limitation of voltage and horizontal safety function for SELV, in accordance with IEC 60364-4-41.

The group safety function (GSF) is used because of responsibility for example for safety extra-low voltage (SELV) in accordance with IEC 61140:2016, 5.2.6 and IEC 60364-4-41:2005, 414.3.1 or control circuits in accordance with IEC 60204-1:2016, 7.2.4.

The group safety function is used for each part of IEC 61558-2 because different standards of the IEC 61558 series can be combined in one construction but in certain cases with no limitation of rated output power.

For example an auto-transformer in accordance with IEC 61558-2-13 can be designed with a separate SELV-circuit in accordance with the particular requirements for IEC 61558-2-6 relating to the general requirements of IEC 61558-1.

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# SAFETY OF TRANSFORMERS, REACTORS, POWER SUPPLY UNITS AND COMBINATIONS THEREOF –

## Part 2-9: Particular requirements and tests for transformers and power supply units for class III handlamps ~~for tungsten filament lamps~~

### 1 Scope

#### *Replacement:*

This part of IEC 61558 deals with the safety of **transformers for class III handlamps** ~~for tungsten filament lamps~~ and **power supply units incorporating transformers for class III handlamps** ~~for tungsten filament lamps~~. Transformers incorporating **electronic circuits** are also covered by this document.

NOTE 1 Safety includes electrical, thermal and mechanical ~~and chemical~~ aspects.

Unless otherwise specified, from here onward, the term **transformer** covers **transformers for class III handlamps** ~~for tungsten filament lamps~~ and **power supply units incorporating transformers for class III handlamps** ~~for tungsten filament lamps~~.

For **power supply units** (linear) this document is applicable. For **switch mode power supply units** IEC 61558-2-16 is applicable together with this document. Where two requirements are in conflict, the most severe takes precedence.

This document is applicable to **stationary** or **portable**, single-phase, air-cooled (natural or forced) **independent** or **associated dry-type transformers**. The windings ~~may~~ can be encapsulated or non-encapsulated. [IEC 61558-2-9:2024](https://standards.iteh.ai/catalog/standards/iec/c17b9b1c-e809-4f53-ac08-46f398f5be08/iec-61558-2-9-2024)

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~~This standard is applicable to transformers and power supply (linear) with internal operational frequencies not exceeding 500 Hz.~~

~~This standard used in combination with Part 2-16 for switch mode power supply (SMPS) units is also applicable to power supplies with internal operational frequencies higher than 500 Hz. Where the two requirements are in conflict, the most severe take precedence.~~

The **rated supply voltage** does not exceed 1 000 V AC and the **rated supply frequency** and the **internal ~~operational~~ operating frequencies** do not exceed 500 Hz.

**Transformers** ~~for class III handlamps for tungsten filament lamps~~ have the following additional characteristics:

- **the no-load output voltage** and the **rated output voltage** do not exceed 50 V AC or 120 V ripple-free DC;
- there is only a small difference between the **no-load output voltage** and the **rated output voltage**.

The **rated output** does not exceed 10 kVA.

This document is not applicable to external circuits and their components intended to be connected to the input terminals and output terminals of the **transformers**.

NOTE 2 **Transformers** covered by this document are **only** used in applications where **double** or **reinforced insulation** between circuits is required by the installation rules or by the end product standard.

~~NOTE 2~~ Attention is drawn to the following, if necessary:

- for **transformers** intended to be used in vehicles, on board ships, and aircraft, additional requirements (from other applicable standards, national rules, etc.) ~~may be necessary~~;
- measures to protect the **enclosure** and the components inside the enclosure against external influences such as fungus, vermin, termites, solar-radiation, and icing ~~should also be considered~~;
- the different conditions for transportation, storage, and operation of the **transformers** ~~should also be considered~~;
- additional requirements in accordance with other appropriate standards and national rules ~~may~~ can be applicable to **transformers** intended for use in special environments.

~~NOTE 3~~ Future technological development of **transformers** ~~may~~ can necessitate a need to increase the upper limit of the frequencies. Until then this document ~~may~~ can be used as a guidance document.

This group safety publication focusing on safety guidance is primarily intended to be used as a product safety standard for the products mentioned in the scope but is also intended to be used by technical committees in the preparation of publications for products similar to those mentioned in the scope of this group safety publication, in accordance with the principles laid down in IEC Guide 104 and ISO/IEC Guide 51.

One of the responsibilities of a technical committee is, wherever applicable, to make use of basic safety publications and/or group safety publications in the preparation of its publications.

## 2 Normative references

IEC 61558-1:2017, Clause 2 is applicable, except as follows:

*Addition:*

[IEC 61558-2-9:2024](#)

[https://standards.iteh.ai/IEC/61558-2-9:2024](#) IEC 60245-4:2011, *Rubber insulated cables – Rated voltages up to and including 450/750 V – Part 4: Cords and flexible cables*

IEC 61558-1:2005/2017, ~~Safety of power transformers, power supplies, reactors and similar products~~ *Safety of transformers, reactors, power supply units and combinations thereof – Part 1: General requirements and tests*

IEC 61558-2-16:2021, *Safety of transformers, reactors, power supply units and combinations thereof – Part 2-16: Particular requirements and tests for switch mode power supply units and transformers for switch mode power supply units for general applications*

## 3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in IEC 61558-1:2017 apply, except as follows:

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### 3.1 Transformers

*Addition:*

### 3.1.101

**transformer for class III handlamps** ~~for tungsten filament lamps~~

associated **safety isolating transformer** intended to supply one or more class III handlamps ~~for tungsten filament lamps~~

### 3.1.102

**power supply unit incorporating transformer for class III handlamps** ~~for tungsten filament lamps~~

**power supply unit** where an associated **safety isolating transformer** is used intended to supply one or more **class III handlamps** ~~for tungsten filament lamps~~

## 4 General requirements

IEC 61558-1:2017, Clause 4 is applicable.

## 5 General notes on tests

IEC 61558-1:2017, Clause 5 is applicable.

## 6 Ratings

IEC 61558-1:2017, Clause 6 is applicable, except as follows:

*Addition:*

**6.101** The **rated output voltage** shall not exceed 50 V AC or 120 V ripple-free DC.

For **independent transformers**, this **output voltage** limitation applies even when **output windings**, not intended for interconnection, are connected in series.

**6.102** The **rated output** shall not exceed 10 kVA.

**6.103** The **rated supply frequency** and the **internal** ~~operational~~ **operating frequencies** shall not exceed 500 Hz.

**6.104** The **rated supply voltage** shall not exceed 1 000 V AC.

*Compliance with the requirements of 6.101 to 6.104 is checked by inspection of the marking.*

## 7 Classification

IEC 61558-1:2017, Clause 7 is applicable, except as follows:

### 7.2

*Replacement:*

**7.2** According to short-circuit ~~protection~~ characteristic or protection against abnormal **conditions** use:

- **inherently short-circuit proof transformers;**
- **non-inherently short-circuit proof transformers.**

### 7.3

*Replacement:*

- 7.3 According to their degree of protection ~~provided~~ ensured by the **enclosure** ~~for~~
- **portable transformers** shall ~~be code~~ have a degree of protection of at least IP24 ~~or higher~~.

### 7.5

*Replacement:*

- 7.5 According to their **duty-time** ~~type~~:
- **continuous operation**.

### 7.8

*Replacement:*

- 7.8 According to their transient overvoltage condition:
- **overvoltage category II**.

## 8 Marking and other information

IEC 61558-1:2017, Clause 8 is applicable, except as follows:

### 8.1 h)

*Replacement of the content up to the first semi-colon by the following:*



relevant graphical symbols shown in Table 101 that indicate the kind of **transformer**;

### 8.11

*Addition:*

The symbol for linear **power supply units** shall be used in conjunction with the symbol indicating the kind of **transformer**.

**Table 101 – Symbols indicating the kind of transformer**

Symbol or graphical symbol	Explanation or title	Identification
	Short-circuit proof transformer for class III tungsten filament handlamps (inherently or non-inherently)	IEC 60417-5953:2002-10
	Power supply unit, linear	IEC 60417-6210:2013-10

*Addition:*

### 8.101

~~8.101~~ For **transformers** intended for connection to the supply by means of a cable or cord and a plug, an instruction sheet or the equivalent shall be delivered with the **transformer**, drawing the attention of the user to the fact that the **output circuit(s)** shall be protected in accordance with national wiring rules.

## 9 Protection against electric shock

IEC 61558-1:2017, Clause 9 is applicable.

## 10 Change of input voltage setting

IEC 61558-1:2017, Clause 10 is applicable.

## 11 Output voltage and output current under load

IEC 61558-1:2017, Clause 11 is applicable, except as follows:

### 11.1

*Replacement of the first paragraph by the following:*

**11.1** When the **transformer** is connected to the **rated supply voltage** at the **rated supply frequency** and loaded with an impedance resulting in the **rated output** at the **rated output voltage**, and for AC current, at the **rated power factor**, the **output voltage** under load shall not differ from the **rated output voltage** by more than 5 %. For **transformers** with rectifiers, the output voltage under load shall not differ from the **rated output voltage** by more than 10 %.

## 12 No-load output voltage

IEC 61558-1:2017, Clause 12 is applicable, except as follows:

*Addition*

~~The no-load output voltage is measured when the transformer is connected to the rated supply voltage at the rated supply frequency at ambient temperature.~~

**12.101** The no-load output voltage shall not exceed 50 V AC or 120 V ripple free DC.

For independent transformers, this output voltage limitation applies even when output windings, not intended for interconnection, are connected in series.

**12.102** The difference between the no-load output voltage and the output voltage under load ~~(as measured in 11.1)~~ shall not be excessive.

*The ratio between the no-load output voltage measured in Clause 12 and the output voltage under load measured during the test of Clause 11, expressed as a percentage of the latter voltage, shall not exceed the values shown in Table 102.*

~~The difference is expressed as a percentage of the latter voltage calculated according to the following formula:~~

The ratio is determined by Formula (1):

$$\frac{U_{\text{no-load}} - U_{\text{load}}}{U_{\text{load}}} \times 100(\%) \tag{1}$$

where

$U_{\text{no-load}}$  is the no-load output voltage, expressed in V;

$U_{\text{load}}$  is the output voltage under load, expressed in V.

~~Table 101 102 – Ratio of output voltages for transformers for class III tungsten filament handlamps~~ **Output voltage ratio**

Rated output VA	Ratio between no-load output voltage and output voltage under load %
– up to and including 63	7,5
– over 63 up to and including 630	5,0
– over 630	2,5

Compliance with the requirements of 12.101 and 12.102 is checked by measuring the no-load output voltage at the ambient temperature when the transformer is connected to the rated supply voltage at the rated supply frequency.

~~The difference shall not exceed the values shown in Table 101.~~

### 13 Short-circuit voltage

IEC 61558-1:2017, Clause 13 is applicable.

### 14 Heating

IEC 61558-1:2017, Clause 14 is applicable.