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IEC 61024-1-1	1993	Protection of structures against lightning Part 1: General principles - Section 1: Guide A: Selection of protection levels for lightning protection systems	-	-
IEC 61312-1	1995	Protection against lightning electromagnetic impulse Part 1: General principles	-	-
IEC 61662	1995	Assessment of the risk of damage due to lightning	-	-
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## Part 2: Lines using metallic conductors

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This publication has been drafted in accordance with the ISO/IEC Directives, Part 3.

Annexes A, B and C form an integral part of this standard.

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The committee has decided that the contents of this publication will remain unchanged until 2005. At this date, the publication will be

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## INTRODUCTION

Lightning protection of telecommunication lines using metallic conductors concerns protection against overvoltages and overcurrents on such lines due to lightning. Overvoltages and overcurrents are characterized by parameters such as peak value, front time, time to half-value and specific energy. Parameters of expected overvoltages and overcurrents consist of highly varying values, statistically distributed, which also depend on several factors, for example, location and line characteristics.

Therefore a lightning protection method for telecommunication lines, in accordance with this standard, cannot guarantee absolute protection to the line and connected equipment; however, application of this standard will significantly reduce the risk of damage caused by lightning to the line and connected equipment.

The procedure for the application of this standard is given in annex A.

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# LIGHTNING PROTECTION – TELECOMMUNICATION LINES –

## Part 2: Lines using metallic conductors

### 1 Scope and object

This part of IEC 61663 deals with protection against lightning of outdoor telecommunication lines using metallic conductors (for example, access networks, lines between buildings).

These lines concern:

- telecommunication lines connecting a switch with a network termination (NT1);
- telecommunication or signal lines connecting equipment located in different buildings, e.g. ISDN lines or signal lines between computers.

NOTE In this standard, such lines are called "telecommunication lines".

The object of this standard is to protect telecommunication lines and connected equipment against the direct and indirect influence of lightning by limiting the risk of damage due to overvoltages and overcurrents, liable to occur in these lines, to values which are lower than or equal to the tolerable risk of damage. For more details, see annex A.

The type of building can also have an effect on the risk assessment of lightning damage to telecommunication lines, as well as the physical layout of the equipment installation. However, these and other similar aspects are covered by appropriate specific standards and are beyond the scope of this standard.

Fibre optical cable with metallic pairs in the cable core must be protected, following the requirements of this standard, together with those requirements defined in IEC 61663-1.

### 2 Normative references

The following normative documents contain provisions which, through reference in this text, constitute provisions of this part of IEC 61663. For dated references, subsequent amendments to, or revisions of, any of these publications do not apply. However, parties to agreements based on this part of IEC 61663 are encouraged to investigate the possibility of applying the most recent editions of the normative documents indicated below. For undated references, the latest edition of the normative document referred to applies. Members of ISO and IEC maintain registers of currently valid International Standards.

IEC 60364-4-443:1995, *Electrical installations of buildings – Part 4: Protection for safety – Chapter 44: Protection against overvoltages – Section 443: Protection against overvoltages of atmospheric origin or due to switching*

IEC 61024-1-1:1993, *Protection of structures against lightning – Part 1: General principles – Section 1: Guide A: Selection of protection levels for lightning protection systems*

IEC 61312-1:1995, *Protection against lightning electromagnetic impulse – Part 1: General principles*

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ITU-T Recommendation K.31:1993, *Bonding configurations and earthing of telecommunication installations inside a subscriber's building*

EN 50310:1998, *Application of equipotential bonding and earthing at premises with information technology equipment*

### 3 Definitions

For the purpose of this part of IEC 61663, the following definitions apply.

#### 3.1

##### **expected loss per damage $\delta$**

relative amount of expected service loss per damage  $\delta$  caused by lightning to telecommunication line

#### 3.2

##### **expected loss per damage caused by direct lightning to aerial line $\delta_a$**

relative amount of expected service loss per damage  $\delta_a$  caused by direct lightning to aerial telecommunication line

**3.3****expected loss per damage caused by direct lightning to buried line  $\delta_b$** 

relative amount of expected service loss per damage  $\delta_b$  caused by direct lightning to buried telecommunication line

**3.4****expected loss per damage caused by indirect lightning to telecommunication line  $\delta_{pi}$** 

relative amount of expected service loss per damage  $\delta_{pi}$  caused by indirect lightning to telecommunication line

**3.5****expected loss per damage caused by direct lightning to exposed structure  $\delta_{ps}$** 

relative amount of expected service loss per damage  $\delta_{ps}$  caused by direct lightning to exposed structure where telecommunication line enters

**3.6****equipotential bonding bar EBB**

electrically conductive bar whose electric potential is used as common reference, and to which metal installation, extraneous conductive parts, electrical power and telecommunication lines and other cables can be bonded (see 3.19 of IEC 61663-1)

**3.7****tolerable frequency of damage  $F_a$** 

maximum value of expected average annual frequency of damage to a telecommunication line due to direct and indirect lightning flashes not requiring additional protective means

**3.8****frequency of damage  $F_p$** 

average annual occurrences of expected damage to the telecommunication line due to lightning

NOTE The inverse of  $F_p$  yields the mean time between occurrences of damage in years.

**3.9****frequency of damage caused by direct lightning to aerial line  $F_{pa}$** 

average annual occurrences of expected damage to aerial telecommunication line caused by direct lightning

**3.10****frequency of damage caused by direct lightning to buried line  $F_{pb}$** 

average annual occurrences of expected damage to buried telecommunication line caused by direct lightning

**3.11****frequency of damage caused by indirect lightning to telecommunication line  $F_{pi}$** 

average annual occurrences of expected damage to telecommunication line caused by indirect lightning

**3.12****frequency of damage caused by direct lightning to exposed structure  $F_{ps}$** 

average annual occurrences of expected damage caused by direct lightning to exposed structure where telecommunication line enters

**3.13****direct lightning current  $I$** 

peak value of the lightning current striking the structure, which causes a sheath breakdown, current  $I_s$  or a failure wire current  $I_c$  in shielded or unshielded cable, respectively

**3.14****failure current  $I_a$** 

minimum peak value of the lightning current giving rise to a direct arc to or from the cable and causing damage

**3.15****failure wire current  $I_c$** 

current flowing in the metallic wire of the telecommunication cable which causes damage to the cable

**3.16****sheath breakdown current  $I_s$** 

current flowing in the metallic sheath of the telecommunication cable which causes breakdown voltage between metallic conductors inside the cable core and the metallic sheath

**3.17****damage correction factor  $K_d$** 

factor which allows a conservative evaluation of the frequency of damage

NOTE The derivation of factor  $K_d$  is explained in annex E of IEC 61663-1.

**3.18****environmental factor  $K_e$** 

factor which takes into account protective and shielding properties of the area where the line section is installed to the direct and indirect lightning effects on the line section itself

**3.19****installation factor  $K_i$** 

factor which takes into account the installation conditions, i.e. above (aerial) or below (buried) ground, of line section

**3.20****protection factor  $K_p$** 

factor taking into account the effect of protection means

**3.21****shielding factor  $K_{si}$** 

factor which characterizes the cable-shielding characteristics of each line section

**3.22****conventional line-section length  $L_{ci}$** 

product between the environmental factor  $K_{ei}$  of the area where the  $i^{\text{th}}$  line section is installed, the shielding factor  $K_{si}$ , the installation factor  $K_{ii}$  and the length  $L_i$  of the  $i^{\text{th}}$  line section

$$L_{ci} = K_{ei} \times K_{si} \times K_{ii} \times L_i$$