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Part 11: Equipment protection by intrinsic safety "i"

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Background

Table 22, "Rating and failure modes of PPTC devices used to limit current", includes ITRIP as a parameter requiring a safety factor of 1,0.

Question 1

Where Table 22 applies a safety factor of 1,0 for ITRIP, is external current limitation required to achieve the safety factor?