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International Standard IEC 61821 has been prepared by IEC technical committee 97: Electrical installations for lighting and beaconing of aerodromes.

The text of this standard is based on the following documents:

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Full information on the voting for the approval of this standard can be found in the report on voting indicated in the above table.

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

The committee has decided that the contents of this publication will remain unchanged until 2006. At this date, the publication will be

- reconfirmed;
- withdrawn;
- replaced by a revised edition, or
- amended.

INTRODUCTION

This International Standard contains the management, safety and procedural requirements specific to the maintenance of an aeronautical ground lighting (AGL) constant current series circuit and has taken into consideration existing national standards, requirements and practices. The maintenance activities are required to ensure that the AGL constant current series circuit continues to meet the operational requirements and minimise the occurrence of operational failures.

To conform to this International Standard it should be demonstrated to the relevant bodies that the requirements have been satisfied and therefore that the clause objective(s) has(have) been met.

NOTE Examples of relevant bodies would include the following:

- certification and licensing authorities;
- safety regulators;
- notified bodies for international or European directives;
- national standards bodies.

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1 Scope

This International Standard applies to the maintenance of AGL constant current series circuits.

This International Standard

- covers constant current series circuits for AGL installed at aerodromes and heliports;
- concentrates on providing the safety requirements for the maintenance of an AGL constant current series circuit. It is recognised that AGL constant current series circuits of different design characteristics and parameters are in existence;
- is mainly concerned with safety to persons by specifying the rules and fundamental principles for the maintenance of AGL constant current series circuits;
- is not intended to apply to AGL primary series circuits supplied directly from a mains constant voltage source;
- is not intended to be used for public street lighting, roadway lighting or any other installation requiring the use of constant current series circuits.

2 Normative references

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The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

IEC 60903:1988, *Specification for gloves and mitts of insulating material for live working*

IEC/TS 62143, – *Electrical installations for the lighting and beaconing of aerodromes – Aeronautical ground lighting systems – Guidelines for the development of a safety life-cycle methodology*¹⁾

IEC/ISO Guide 51:1999, *Safety aspects – Guidelines for their inclusion in standards*

3 Definitions

For the purpose of this International Standard the following definitions apply.

¹⁾ To be published.

3.1**aerodrome authority**

organisation accountable for the safety and security of persons, aircraft operations and facilities at an aerodrome

3.2**AGL constant current series circuit**

apparatus configured as an electrical circuit designed to produce and operate with a constant current, independent of specified load variations, in order to provide a specified light for aeronautical purposes

3.3**AGL operator**

person responsible for the control of the AGL to permit the safe movement of aircraft

3.4**caution sign**

non-metallic safety sign attached to equipment conveying a warning against interference with such equipment

3.5**constant current regulator (CCR)**

apparatus which produces a current output at a constant r.m.s. value independent of variations in the constant current series circuit load, input voltage and service conditions as specified

3.6**contractor**

organisation or person(s) given a written order to provide a service or undertake specified work

3.7**dead**

free from any electrical connection to a source of potential difference and from electric charge; not having a potential different from that of the earth

3.8**earthed**

connected to the general mass of earth in such a manner as to ensure at all times an immediate discharge of electrical energy without harm

3.9**electrical equipment**

anything used, intended to be used or installed for use, to generate, provide, transmit, transform, rectify, convert, conduct, distributes, control, store, measure or use electrical energy

3.10**harm**

physical injury or damage to the health of people either directly, or indirectly, as a result of damage to property or to the environment.

[ISO/IEC Guide 51, 3.3, modified]