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Normative references to international publications with their corresponding European publications

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<u>Publication</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>EN/HD</u>	<u>Year</u>
IEC 60068-2-6 + corr. March	1995 1995	Environmental testing Part 2: Tests - Test Fc: Vibration (sinusoidal)	EN 60068-2-6	1995
IEC 60068-2-14	1984	Part 2: Tests - Test N: Change of temperature	EN 60068-2-14 ¹⁾	1999
IEC 60068-2-20	1979	Part 2: Tests - Test T: Soldering	HD 323.2.20 S3 ²⁾	1988
IEC 60068-2-21	1999	Part 2-21: Tests - Test U: Robustness of terminations and integral mounting devices	EN 60068-2-21	1999
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¹⁾ EN 60068-2-14 includes A1:1986 to IEC 60068-2-14.

²⁾ HD 323.2.20 S3 includes A2:1987 to IEC 60068-2-20.

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FOREWORD

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International Standard IEC 60252-2 has been prepared by IEC technical committee 33: Power capacitors.

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

FDIS	Report on voting
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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 2.

IEC 60252 consists of the following parts, under the general title *AC motor capacitors*:

Part 1: General – Performance, testing and rating – Safety requirements – Guide for installation and operation

Part 2: Motor start capacitors

The committee has decided that the contents of this publication will remain unchanged until 2007. At this date, the publication will be

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AC MOTOR CAPACITORS –

Part 2: Motor start capacitors

1 General

1.1 Scope and object

This International Standard applies to motor start capacitors intended for connection to windings of asynchronous motors supplied from a single-phase system having the frequency of the mains.

This standard covers impregnated or unimpregnated metallized motor start capacitors having a dielectric of paper or plastic film, or a combination of both and electrolytic motor start capacitors with non-solid electrolyte, with rated voltages up to and including 660 V.

1.2 Normative references

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 60068-2-6:1995, *Environmental testing – Part 2: Tests – Test Fc: Vibration (sinusoidal)*

IEC 60068-2-14:1984, *Environmental testing – Part 2: Tests – Test N: Change of temperature*

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IEC 60695-2-11:2000, *Fire hazard testing – Part 2-11: Glowing/hot-wire based test methods – Glow-wire flammability test method for end-products*

ISO 4046: *Paper, board, pulps and related terms – Vocabulary*

1.3 Definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following definitions apply.

1.3.1

motor running capacitor

power capacitor which, when used in conjunction with an auxiliary winding of a motor, assists the motor to start and improves the torque under running conditions

NOTE The running capacitor is usually connected permanently to the motor winding and remains in circuit throughout the running period of the motor. During the starting period, if it is in parallel with the starting capacitor, it helps to start the motor.

1.3.2

motor starting capacitor

power capacitor which provides a leading current to an auxiliary winding of a motor and which is switched out of circuit once the motor is running

1.3.3

metal foil capacitor

capacitor, the electrodes of which consist of metal foils or strips separated by a dielectric

1.3.4

metallized capacitor

capacitor, in which the electrodes consist of a metallic deposit on the dielectric

1.3.5

self-healing capacitor

capacitor, the electrical properties of which, after local breakdown of the dielectric, are rapidly and essentially self-restored

1.3.6

discharge device of a capacitor

device which may be incorporated in a capacitor, capable of reducing the voltage between the terminals effectively to zero, within a given time, after the capacitor has been disconnected from a network

1.3.7

continuous operation

operation with no time limit within the normal life of the capacitor

1.3.8

intermittent operation

operation in which periods with the capacitor energized are followed by intervals during which the capacitor is unenergized

1.3.9

starting operation

special type of intermittent operation in which the capacitor is energized for only a very short period while the motor is accelerating to rated speed

1.3.10

rated duty cycle

rated value indicating the rate of intermittent or starting duty for which a capacitor is suitable. It is specified by the duty cycle duration, in minutes, and the percentage of the time during which the capacitor is energized

1.3.11**duty cycle duration**

total time of one energized and one unenergized interval during the intermittent operation

1.3.12**relative operation time**

percentage of the cycle duration in which the capacitor is energized

1.3.13**capacitor for continuous and starting operation**

capacitor designed to operate at one voltage when in continuous operation and at a different (usually higher) voltage when in starting operation

1.3.14**minimum permissible capacitor operating temperature**

minimum permissible temperature on the outside of the case at the moment of switching on the capacitor

1.3.15**maximum permissible capacitor operating temperature (t_c)**

maximum permissible temperature of the hottest area of the outside of the capacitor case during operation

1.3.16**rated voltage of a capacitor (U_N)**

r.m.s. value of the alternating voltage for which the capacitor has been designed

1.3.17**maximum voltage**

maximum r.m.s. voltage permissible at the starting capacitor terminals between the point of starting and the instant at which the capacitor is disconnected

1.3.18**rated frequency of a capacitor (f_N)**

highest frequency for which the capacitor has been designed

1.3.19**rated capacitance of a capacitor (C_N)**

capacitance value for which the capacitor has been designed

1.3.20**rated current of a capacitor (I_N)**

r.m.s. value of the alternating current at the rated voltage and frequency

1.3.21**rated output of a capacitor (Q_N)**

reactive power derived from the rated values of capacitance, frequency and voltage (or current)

1.3.22**capacitor losses**

active power dissipated by a capacitor

NOTE Unless otherwise stated, the capacitor losses will be understood to include losses in fuses and discharge resistors forming an integral part of the capacitor.