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104	High-voltage switches for rated voltages of 52 kV and above	IEC 60265-2
105	High voltage alternating current switch-fuse combinations	IEC 60420
106	High-voltage alternating current contactors and contactor based motor-starters	IEC 60470
200	Metal enclosed switchgear and controlgear for rated voltages up to and including 38 kV	IEC 60298
201	Insulation-enclosed switchgear and controlgear for rated voltages up to and including 52 kV	IEC 60466
202	High-voltage/low voltage prefabricated substations	IEC 61330
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300	Guide for seismic qualification	IEC 61166
301	Guide for inductive load switching	IEC 61233
302	Guide for short-circuit and switching test procedures for metal-enclosed and dead tank circuit-breakers	IEC 61633
303	Use and handling of sulphur hexafluoride (SF ₆) in high-voltage switchgear and controlgear	IEC 61634
304	Additional requirements for enclosed switchgear and controlgear from 1 kV to 72,5 kV to be used in severe climatic conditions	IEC 60932
305	Cable connections for gas-insulated metal-enclosed switchgear for rated voltages above 52 kV	IEC 60859
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HIGH-VOLTAGE SWITCHGEAR AND CONTROLGEAR –

Part 100: High-voltage alternating-current circuit-breakers

1 General

1.1 Scope

This International Standard is applicable to a.c. circuit-breakers designed for indoor or outdoor installation and for operation at frequencies of 50 Hz and 60 Hz on systems having voltages above 1 000 V.

It is only applicable to three-pole circuit-breakers for use in three-phase systems and single-pole circuit-breakers for use in single-phase systems. Two-pole circuit-breakers for use in single-phase systems and application at frequencies lower than 50 Hz are subject to agreement between manufacturer and user.

This standard is also applicable to the operating devices of circuit-breakers and to their auxiliary equipment. However, a circuit-breaker with a closing mechanism for dependent manual operation is not covered by this standard, as a rated short-circuit making-current cannot be specified, and such dependent manual operation may be objectionable because of safety considerations.

This standard does not cover circuit-breakers intended for use on motive power units of electrical traction equipment; these are covered by IEC 60077 [4]¹⁾.

Generator circuit-breakers installed between generator and step-up transformer are not within the scope of this standard.

Switching of inductive loads is covered by IEC 61233.

Circuit-breakers with an intentional non-simultaneity between the poles, with the exception of circuit-breakers providing single-pole auto-reclosing, are not within the scope of this standard.

This standard does not cover self-tripping circuit-breakers with mechanical tripping devices or devices which cannot be made inoperative.

By-pass circuit-breakers installed in parallel with line series capacitors and their protective equipment are not within the scope of this standard, these are covered by IEC 60143-2 [6].

NOTE Tests to prove the performance under abnormal conditions should be subject to agreement between manufacturer and user. Such abnormal conditions are, for instance, cases where the voltage is higher than the rated voltage of the circuit-breaker, conditions which may occur due to sudden loss of load on long lines or cables.

1.2 Normative references

The following normative documents contain provisions which, through reference in this text, constitute provisions of this International Standard. For dated references, subsequent amendments to, or revisions of, any of these publications do not apply. However, parties to agreements based on this International Standard 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 IEC and ISO maintain registers of currently valid International Standards.

¹⁾ Figures in square brackets refer to the bibliography.