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safety of machines utilizing electric
drives and related components and
systems —**

**Part 1:
General requirements**

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Foreword

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Introduction

This document is a type-C standard as defined in ISO 12100.

The machinery concerned and the extent to which hazards, hazardous situations, or hazardous events are covered are indicated in [Annex A](#) of this document.

When requirements of this type-C standard are different from those stated in type-A or type-B standards, the requirements of this type-C standard take precedence over the requirements of the other standards for machines that have been designed and built according to the requirements of this type-C standard.

Electrification is an enabling technology providing increased flexibility in machine form packaging. Because in the past earth-moving machinery (EMM) electrical systems have predominately been in the 12–24 V DC range, two safety aspects require particular attention:

- significantly higher voltages, such as are utilized in industrial or structural applications and in other transportation sectors;
- greater available electrical energy.

Portions of this document appear to govern electrical design practices (e.g. [Clauses 9, 11, 12, and 17](#)). Their requirements are necessary because certain aspects of design cannot be separated from electrical safety.

Some of the content of this document is based on IEC 60204-1 and IEC 60204-11, adapted to the needs of earth-moving machinery. Non-electrical hazards are addressed in the ISO 20474 series.

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Earth-moving machinery — Electrical safety of machines utilizing electric drives and related components and systems —

Part 1: General requirements

1 Scope

This document specifies general safety requirements for the electrical equipment and its components incorporated into earth-moving machines (EMMs) as defined in ISO 6165, and addresses the safety of operators, technicians, service/maintenance personnel and bystanders.

It is applicable to those machines using on-board voltages in the ranges of 50 V–36 kV AC r.m.s. at any frequency and 75 V–36 kV DC — including any repetition rate of pulsating DC — intended for outdoor use. It is applicable to both low and high voltages, except where its applicability to high- or low-voltage equipment only is indicated. Voltages occurring within devices are not considered to be on-board voltages and are thus not within its scope.

NOTE 1 Special considerations typically apply at frequencies greater than 30 kHz. Where reference standards are limited to frequencies below those used on the EMM, it is the responsibility of the user to assess the risks and address them appropriately.

This document covers all significant hazards, hazardous situations, and hazardous events relevant to the voltage range for earth-moving machinery within its scope when the machinery is used as intended or under conditions of misuse reasonably foreseeable by the manufacturer. It specifies appropriate technical measures for eliminating or reducing risks arising from significant hazards, hazardous situations, or hazardous events during commissioning, operation, and maintenance. It is not applicable to machines manufactured before the date of its publication.

It is intended to be used in conjunction with ISO 14990-2 and ISO 14990-3, which give provisions specific to the machine's power source that take precedence over the requirements of this document for the machines covered. For multipurpose machinery, all those parts of ISO 14990 are applicable whose requirements cover the functions and applications of the machine.

Even though this document addresses most hazards associated with the use of low- or high-voltage electrical systems in earth-moving machines, owing to the possible presence of additional electrical hazards, conformance with it cannot be taken as an absolute guarantee of electrical safety. Areas of concern are included in the list of significant hazards found in [Annex A](#).

This document specifies requirements for on-board generators, electrically isolated from other low-voltage systems and provided as power sources for general-purpose socket outlets installed on EMMs, and transformer or inverter power sources for general-purpose socket outlets.

NOTE 2 Local or regional requirements may also apply to general-purpose socket outlet arrangements.

Although nominal 12 V and 24 V (alternator/battery) systems are not addressed, the meeting of some of the requirements, including those of PELV, will ensure that the low-voltage system is sufficiently isolated from 12 V and 24 V systems.

This document does not address risks associated with explosive atmospheres, which are sometimes found in mining and other EMM applications.

2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements 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.

ISO 2860, *Earth-moving machinery — Minimum access dimensions*

ISO 2867:2011, *Earth-moving machinery — Access systems*

ISO 3457:2003, *Earth-moving machinery — Guards — Definitions and requirements*

ISO 9244:2008, *Earth-moving machinery — Machine safety labels — General principles*. Amended by ISO 9244:2008/Amd. 1:2016

ISO 14990-2:2016, *Earth-moving machinery — Electrical safety of machines utilising electric drives and related components and systems — Part 2: Particular requirements for externally-powered machines*

ISO 14990-3, *Earth-moving machinery — Electrical safety of machines utilising electric drives and related components and systems — Part 3: Particular requirements for self-powered machines*

ISO 15817, *Earth-moving machinery — Safety requirements for remote operator control systems*

IEC 60071-1:2006, *Insulation Coordination — Part 1: Definitions, principles and rules*. Amended by IEC 60071-1:2006/Amd. 1:2010

IEC 60071-2:1996, *Insulation co-ordination — Part 2: Application guide*

IEC 60204-1:2005, *Safety of machinery — Electrical equipment of machines — Part 1: General requirements*. Amended by IEC 60204-1:2005/Amd. 1:2008

IEC 60364-1, *Low-voltage electrical installations — Part 1: Fundamental principles, assessment of general characteristics, definitions*

IEC 60364-4-41:2005, *Electrical installations of buildings Part 4-41: Protection for safety Protection against electric shock*

IEC 60364-5-54:2011, *Low-voltage electrical installations — Part 5-54: Selection and erection of electrical equipment — Earthing arrangements, protective conductors and protective bonding conductors*

IEC 60417-DB, *Graphical symbols for use on equipment*¹⁾

IEC 60529, *Degrees of protection provided by enclosures (IP Code)*

IEC 60617-DB, *Graphical symbols for diagrams*²⁾

IEC 60664-1, *Insulation coordination for equipment within low-voltage systems Part 1: Principles, requirements and tests*

IEC 60871-1: 2014, *Shunt capacitors for AC power systems having a rated voltage above 1 000 V — Part 1: General*

IEC 60947-1, *Low-voltage switchgear and controlgear — Part 1: General rules*

IEC 61230, *Live working — Portable equipment for earthing or earthing and short-circuiting*

IEC 61439-1, *Low-voltage switchgear and controlgear assemblies — Part 1: General rules*

IEC 61557 (all parts), *Electrical safety in low voltage distribution systems up to 1 000 V a.c. and 1 500 V d.c. — Equipment for testing, measuring or monitoring of protective measures*

1) Online database: available at <http://www.graphical-symbols.info/>

2) Online database: available at <http://std.iec.ch/iec60617>

IEC 61558-1, *Safety of power transformers, power supply units and similar — Part 1: General requirements and tests*

IEC 61558-2-6, *Safety of power transformers, power supply units and similar — Part 2-6: Particular requirements for safety isolating transformers for general use*

IEC 61984, *Connectors — Safety requirements and tests*

IEC 62271-102, *High-voltage switchgear and controlgear — Part 102: Alternating current disconnectors and earthing switches*

3 Terms, definitions and abbreviated terms

For the purposes of this document, the terms, definitions and abbreviated terms given in ISO 12100 and the following apply.

ISO and IEC maintain terminological databases for use in standardization at the following addresses:

- IEC Electropedia: available at <http://www.electropedia.org/>
- ISO Online browsing platform: available at <http://www.iso.org/obp>

3.1 Electric shock protection-related terms and definitions

3.1.1

electrically protective barrier barrier

part providing protection against direct contact from any usual direction of access

[SOURCE: IEC 826-12-23]

3.1.2

direct contact

electric contact of persons with live parts

[SOURCE: IEC 826-12-03, modified]

3.1.3

electrical operating area

room or location for electrical equipment to which access is intended to be restricted to skilled or instructed persons, by the opening of a door or the removal of a *barrier* (3.1.1) without the use of a key or tool, and which is clearly marked by appropriate warning signs

[SOURCE: IEC 60204-1: 2005, 3.15]

3.1.4

electrically protective enclosure protective enclosure enclosure

electrical enclosure (3.1.5) surrounding internal parts of equipment to prevent access to hazardous-live-parts from any direction

[SOURCE: IEC 826-12-22]

3.1.5

electrical enclosure

enclosure (3.1.4) providing protection against the foreseen dangers created by electricity

[SOURCE: IEC 826-12-21, modified]

Note 1 to entry: Some electrical enclosures also provide protection for equipment. It can be either of discrete construction or an enclosed space within the *machine* (3.5.2).

3.1.6

equipotential bonding

provision of electric connections between conductive parts, intended to achieve equipotentiality

[SOURCE: IEC 195-1-10]

3.1.7

protective equipotential bonding

equipotential bonding (3.1.6) for the purposes of safety

[SOURCE: IEC 195-01-15]

3.1.8

exposed conductive part

conductive part of equipment which can be touched and which is not normally live, but which can become live when basic insulation fails

[SOURCE: IEC 826-12-10]

3.1.9

extra-low voltage

ELV

voltage supplied from a source within the device that does not exceed 50 V between conductors and between conductors and earth (or chassis in the case of self-powered machines) when the device is supplied at rated voltage

[SOURCE: IEC 60335-1, 3.4.1, modified]

3.1.10

extraneous conductive part

conductive part not forming part of the electrical equipment and liable to introduce a potential, generally the ground (or chassis in the case of self-powered machines) potential

[SOURCE: IEC 826-12-11, modified]

3.1.11

indirect contact

contact of persons with *exposed conductive parts* (3.1.8) which have become live due to fault conditions

[SOURCE: IEC 826-12-04, modified]

3.1.12

live part

conductor or conductive part intended to be energized in normal use, including a neutral conductor, but, by convention, not a PEN conductor

Note 1 to entry: This term does not necessarily imply a risk of electric shock.

[SOURCE: IEC 60204-1: 2005, 3.33]

3.1.13**obstacle**

part preventing unintentional direct contact, but not preventing direct contact by deliberate action

[SOURCE: IEC 60204-1: 2005, 3.38]

3.1.14**protective conductor**

conductor provided for purposes of safety, e.g. protection against electric shock

[SOURCE: IEC 826-13-22, modified]

Note 1 to entry: A protective conductor is typically used to connect any of the following:

- exposed conductive parts;
- extraneous conductive parts;
- PE (or chassis ground in the case of self-powered machines) terminal.

3.1.15**protective extra-low voltage****PELV**

earthed (or chassis-bonded in the case of self-powered machines) circuit operating at safety extra-low voltage which is separated from other circuits by basic insulation and protective screening, double insulation or reinforced insulation

[SOURCE: IEC 60335-1, 3.4.4, modified]

Note 1 to entry: Protective screening is the separation of circuits from live parts by means of an earthed (or chassis-bonded in the case of self-powered machines) screen.

3.1.16**safety extra-low voltage****SELV**

voltage not exceeding 42 V between conductors and between conductors and earth (or chassis in the case of self-powered machines), the no-load voltage not exceeding 50 V

[SOURCE: IEC 60335-1, 3.4.2, modified]

Note 1 to entry: When safety extra-low voltage is obtained from the source mains, it is through a safety isolating transformer or a converter with separate windings, the insulation of which complies with double insulation or reinforced insulation requirements.

3.1.17**touch voltage**

voltage between conductive parts when touched simultaneously by a person or animal

[SOURCE: IEC 195-05-11]

Note 1 to entry: The value of the effective touch voltage may be appreciably influenced by the impedance of the person or the animal in electric contact with these conductive parts.

3.2 Control-related terms and definitions**3.2.1****actuator**

part of the actuating system to which an external actuating force is applied

Note 1 to entry: An actuator typically takes the form of a handle, knob, push-button, roller, plunger, etc.

Note 2 to entry: Cf. [3.2.5](#).

[SOURCE: IEC 60204-1: 2005, 3.1, modified]

3.2.2

controlgear

switching devices and their combination with associated control, measuring, protective and regulating equipment, also assemblies of such devices and equipment with associated interconnections, accessories, *enclosures* (3.1.4) and supporting structures, intended in principle for the control of electric energy consuming equipment

[SOURCE: IEC 441-11-03]

3.2.3

emergency switching-off device

manually actuated control device used to switch off the source of electrical energy to all or a part of the electrical equipment of a *machine* (3.5.2) where a risk of electric shock or another risk of electrical origin is involved

[SOURCE: IEC 60204-1: 2005, 3.18, modified]

3.2.4

emergency stop device

manually actuated control device used to initiate an emergency stop function

[SOURCE: ISO 13850, 3.2]

3.2.5

machine actuator

electromechanical or electronic power mechanism used to effect a function of the *machine* (3.5.2)

[SOURCE: IEC 60204-1: 2005, 3.34, modified]

3.3 Electrical infrastructure-related terms and definitions

3.3.1

ampacity

maximum current, in amperes, that a conductor can carry continuously under the conditions of use without exceeding its temperature rating

3.3.2

cable trunking system

system of enclosures, each consisting of a base with a removable cover, intended to completely enclose insulated conductors, cables, cords and for the accommodation of other electrical devices

[SOURCE: IEC 442-02-34, modified]

3.3.3

direct opening action

<of a contact element> achievement of contact separation as the direct result of a specified movement of the switch *actuator* (3.2.1) through non-resilient members (e.g. not dependent upon springs)

[SOURCE: IEC 60947-5-1: 2009, K.2.2]

3.3.4

duct

enclosed channel designed specifically to hold and protect electrical conductors, cables, and busbars

Note 1 to entry: Conduits and cable trunking systems are types of duct.

[SOURCE: IEC 60204-1: 2005, 3.14, modified]