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NOTE 2 Up-to-date information on the latest versions of the European Standards listed in this annex is available here: [www.cenelec.eu](http://www.cenelec.eu).

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IEC 60050-461	-	International Electrotechnical Vocabulary -- Part 461: Electric cables		-
IEC 60228	-	Conductors of insulated cables	EN 60228	-
IEC 60493-1	-	Guide for the statistical analysis of ageing- test data - Part 1: Methods based on mean values of normally distributed test results		-
IEC 60949 + A1	1988 2008	Calculation of thermally permissible short- circuit currents, taking into account non- adiabatic heating effects		-

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This edition includes the following significant technical changes with respect to IEC 61238-1:2003:

- a) The scope has been widened to cover connectors for conductors from 10 mm<sup>2</sup> down to 2,5 mm<sup>2</sup> and has been limited to 1 200 mm<sup>2</sup> for connectors for copper and aluminium conductors because test experience and applications are rare for conductors of larger cross-sectional areas.

- b) A new mechanical class has been introduced to satisfy the demand for connectors subjected to higher mechanical forces than those specified in Class 1 for conductors of larger cross-sectional areas.
- c) For the electrical test, a maximum elevated heating current has been set in order to avoid unrealistic current densities during the test which may change the properties of tested connectors.
- d) For the short-circuit test, the method of calculation and requirements have been updated.
- e) For the mechanical test, the methods and requirements have been updated.
- f) A proposal for an electrical test on cable terminal lugs for application in separable connectors has been introduced.

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

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20/1790/FDIS	20/1805/RVD

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

This document has been drafted in accordance with the ISO/IEC Directives, Part 2.

A list of all parts in the IEC 61238 series, published under the general title *Compression and mechanical connectors for power cables*, can be found on the IEC website.

The committee has decided that the contents of this document will remain unchanged until the stability date indicated on the IEC website under "<http://webstore.iec.ch>" in the data related to the specific document. At this date, the document will be

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## INTRODUCTION

The IEC 61238 series has been divided into the following parts:

- Part 1-1: Test methods and requirements for compression and mechanical connectors for power cables for rated voltages up to 1 kV ( $U_m = 1,2$  kV) tested on non-insulated conductors
- Part 1-2: Test methods and requirements for insulation piercing connectors for power cables for rated voltages up to 1 kV ( $U_m = 1,2$  kV) tested on insulated conductors
- Part 1-3: Test methods and requirements for compression and mechanical connectors for power cables for rated voltages above 1 kV ( $U_m = 1,2$  kV) up to 30 kV ( $U_m = 36$  kV) tested on non-insulated conductors

This Part 1-3 of IEC 61238 deals with type tests for compression and mechanical connectors for use on copper or aluminium conductors of power cables for rated voltages above 1 kV ( $U_m = 1,2$  kV) up to 30 kV ( $U_m = 36$  kV).

When a design of connector meets the requirements of this document, then it is expected that in service:

- a) the resistance of the connection will remain stable within specified limits;
- b) the temperature of the connector will be of the same order or less than that of the conductor during current heating;
- c) if the intended use demands it, application of short-circuit currents will not affect a) and b);
- d) independently from the electrical performance, conforming axial tensile strength will ensure an acceptable mechanical performance for the connections to the cable conductors.

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It should be stressed that, although the object of the electrical and mechanical tests specified in this document is to prove the suitability of connectors for most operating conditions, they do not necessarily apply to situations where a connector may be raised to a high temperature by virtue of connection to a highly rated plant, to corrosive conditions, or where the connector is subjected to external mechanical stresses such as excessive vibration, shock and large displacement after installation. In these instances, the tests in this document may need to be supplemented by special tests agreed between supplier and purchaser.

This document does not invalidate existing approvals of products achieved on the basis of national standards and specifications and/or the demonstration of satisfactory service performance. However, products approved according to such national standards or specifications cannot directly claim approval to this document.

Once successfully completed, these tests are not repeated unless changes are made in material, manufacturing process and design which might adversely change the connector performance characteristics.

## COMPRESSION AND MECHANICAL CONNECTORS FOR POWER CABLES –

### Part 1-3: Test methods and requirements for compression and mechanical connectors for power cables for rated voltages above 1 kV ( $U_m = 1,2$ kV) up to 30 kV ( $U_m = 36$ kV) tested on non-insulated conductors

#### 1 Scope

This part of IEC 61238 applies to compression and mechanical connectors for power cables for rated voltages above 1 kV ( $U_m = 1,2$  kV) up to 30 kV ( $U_m = 36$  kV), for example buried cables or cables installed in buildings, having

- a) conductors complying with IEC 60228 having nominal cross-sectional areas between 2,5 mm<sup>2</sup> and 1 200 mm<sup>2</sup> for copper and between 16 mm<sup>2</sup> and 1 200 mm<sup>2</sup> for aluminium, excluding Milliken conductors;
- b) a maximum continuous conductor temperature not exceeding 90 °C.

This document is not applicable to connectors for overhead line conductors nor to connectors with a sliding contact.

The object of this document is to define the type test methods and requirements which apply to compression and mechanical connectors for power cables with copper or aluminium conductors. The reference method is to perform the tests on unused conductors.

#### 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.

IEC 60050-461, *International Electrotechnical Vocabulary – Part 461: Electric cables* (available at <http://www.electropedia.org>)

IEC 60228, *Conductors of insulated cables*

IEC 60493-1, *Guide for the statistical analysis of ageing test data – Part 1: Methods based on mean values of normally distributed test results*

IEC 60949:1988, *Calculation of thermally permissible short-circuit currents, taking into account non-adiabatic heating effects*

IEC 60949:1988/AMD1:2008

#### 3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in IEC 60050-461 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

#### **connector**

<of cables> device for connecting a conductor to an equipment terminal or for connecting two or more conductors to each other

[SOURCE: IEC 60050-461:2008, 461-17-03, modified – the definition has been revised.]

### 3.2

#### **through connector**

device for connecting two consecutive lengths of conductor together

[SOURCE: IEC 60050-461:2008, 461-17-04, modified – the term "joint ferrule" has been deleted and the definition revised.]

### 3.3

#### **branch connector**

device for connecting a branch conductor to a main conductor at an intermediate point on the latter

[SOURCE: IEC 60050-461:2008, 461-17-05, modified – the term "branch ferrule" has been deleted and in the definition "metallic" has been deleted.]

### 3.4

#### **termination**

device fitted to the end of a cable conductor to ensure electrical connection with other parts of the system

[SOURCE: IEC 60050-461:2008, 461-10-01, modified – "conductor" has been added and "and to maintain insulation up to the point of connection" has been deleted.]

### 3.5

#### **terminal lug**

device to connect a cable conductor to other electrical equipment

[SOURCE: IEC 60050-461:2008, 461-17-01, modified – "metallic" has been deleted.]

### 3.6

#### **palm**

<of terminal lug> part of a terminal lug used to make the connection to electrical equipment

[SOURCE: IEC 60050-461:2008, 461-17-07]

### 3.7

#### **barrel**

<of terminal lug, of connector> part of a device into which the conductor to be connected is introduced

[SOURCE: IEC 60050-461:2008, 461-17-06]

### 3.8

#### **reference conductor**

length of unjointed bare conductor or conductor with the insulation removed, which is included in the test loop and which enables the reference temperature and reference resistance to be determined