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SWITCHES FOR APPLIANCES –**Part 1: General requirements**

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International Standard IEC 61058-1 has been prepared by subcommittee 23J: Switches for appliances, of IEC technical committee 23: Electrical accessories.

This consolidated version of IEC 61058-1 consists of the third edition (2000) [documents 23J/221/FDIS and 23J/222/RVD] and its amendment 1 (2001) [documents 23J/232/FDIS and 23J/233/RVD].

The technical content is therefore identical to the base edition and its amendment and has been prepared for user convenience.

It bears the edition number 3.1.

A vertical line in the margin shows where the base publication has been modified by amendment 1.

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

IEC 61058 consists of the following parts:

Part 1: General requirements;

Part 2-1: Particular requirements for cord switches;

Part 2-4: Particular requirements for independently mounted switches;

Part 2-5: Particular requirements for change-over selectors.

In this part, the following print types are used:

- requirements proper: roman type;
- *test specifications: italic type;*
- notes: smaller roman type.

Annexes A, C, D, E, K, L, M, N, P, Q and R form an integral part of this standard.

Annexes B, F, G, H, J, S and T are for information only.

The following differences exist in some countries:

- 7.1.2.9 The locked rotor power factor is 0,4 to 0,5 to reflect application conditions (USA).
- 15.3 The duration of the application of the test voltage is 1 min to assure the detection of defects in the insulation (USA).
- 17.2.4.7 The minimum number of operating cycles is 6 000 (USA).
- 17.2.5 The temperature rise at the terminals shall not exceed 30 °C (USA).
- Table 16 The make current for the inductive circuit is I-I to reflect actual application conditions (USA).
- Table 16 The horsepower ratings are used when controlling a motor rated in horsepower (USA).
- 25 EMC is not considered to be a safety-related matter (USA).

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

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- withdrawn;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

SWITCHES FOR APPLIANCES –

Part 1: General requirements

1 Scope

1.1 This International Standard applies to switches (mechanical or electronic) for appliances actuated by hand, by foot or by other human activity, to operate or control electrical appliances and other equipment for household or similar purposes with a rated voltage not exceeding 440 V and a rated current not exceeding 63 A.

These switches are intended to be operated by a person, via an actuating member or by actuating a sensing unit. The actuating member or sensing unit can be integral with or arranged separately, either physically or electrically, from the switch and may involve transmission of a signal, for example electrical, optical, acoustic or thermal, between the actuating member or sensing unit and the switch.

Switches which incorporate additional control functions governed by the switch function are within the scope of this standard.

This standard also covers the indirect actuation of the switch when the operation of the actuating member or sensing unit is provided by a remote control or a part of an appliance or equipment such as a door.

NOTE 1 Electronic switches may be combined with mechanical switches giving full disconnection or micro-disconnection.

NOTE 2 Electronic switches without a mechanical switch in the supply circuit provide only electronic disconnection. Therefore, the circuit on the load side is always considered to be live.

NOTE 3 For switches used in tropical climates, additional requirements may be necessary.

NOTE 4 Attention is drawn to the fact that the standards for appliances may contain additional or alternative requirements for switches.

NOTE 5 Throughout this standard, the word "appliance" means "appliance or equipment".

NOTE 6 This part of IEC 61058 is applicable when testing incorporated switches. When other types of switches for appliances are tested, this part is applicable together with the relevant IEC 61058-2.

This part may, however, be applied for other types of switches which are not mentioned in IEC 61058-2, provided that the electrical safety is not disregarded.

1.2 This standard applies to switches intended to be incorporated in, on or with an appliance.

1.3 This standard also applies to switches incorporating electronic devices.

1.4 This standard also applies to switches for appliances such as

- switches intended to be connected to a flexible cable (cord switches);
NOTE In this document, the word "cable" means "cable or cord".
- switches integrated in an appliance (integrated switches);
- switches intended to be mounted apart from the appliance (independently mounted switches) other than those within the scope of IEC 60669-1;
- change-over selectors for which, however, particular requirements are given in IEC 61058-2.

1.5 This standard does not contain requirements for isolating switches.

NOTE Requirements for isolating switches are under consideration.

1.6 This standard does not apply to devices which control appliances and equipment not actuated intentionally by a person. These are covered by IEC 60730.

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 60034-1:1996, *Rotating electrical machines – Part 1: Rating and performance* ¹⁾
Amendment 1 (1997)
Amendment 2 (1999)

IEC 60038:1983, *IEC standard voltages*

IEC 60050(151):1978, *International Electrotechnical Vocabulary (IEV) – Chapter 151: Electrical and magnetic devices*

IEC 60050(411):1973, *International Electrotechnical Vocabulary (IEV) – Chapter 411: Rotating machinery*

IEC 60050(441):1984, *International Electrotechnical Vocabulary (IEV) – Chapter 441: Switchgear, controlgear and fuses*

IEC 60050(826):1982, *International Electrotechnical Vocabulary (IEV) – Chapter 826: Electrical installations of buildings*
Amendment 1 (1990)
Amendment 2 (1995)

IEC 60060-1:1989, *High-voltage techniques – Part 1: General definitions and test requirements*

IEC 60068-2-20:1979, *Environmental testing – Part 2-20: Tests – Test T: Soldering*

IEC 60068-2-75:1997, *Environmental testing – Part 2-75: Tests – Test Eh: Hammer tests*

IEC 60085:1984, *Thermal evaluation and classification of electrical insulation*

IEC 60112:1979, *Method for determining the comparative and the proof tracking indices of solid insulating materials under moist conditions*

IEC 60127 (all parts), *Miniature fuses*

IEC 60127-2:1989, *Miniature fuses – Part 2: Cartridge fuse-links*

¹⁾ There is a consolidated edition 10.2 (1999) that includes IEC 60034-1 and its amendments 1 (1997) and 2 (1999).

IEC 60228:1978, *Conductors of insulated cables*

IEC 60228A:1982, *Conductors of insulated cables – First supplement: Guide to the dimensional limits of circular conductors*

IEC 60269-1:1998, *Low-voltage fuses – Part 1: General requirements*

IEC 60269-3-1:1994, *Low-voltage fuses – Part 3-1: Supplementary requirements for fuses for use by unskilled persons (fuses mainly for household and similar applications) – Sections I to IV*

IEC 60335-1:1991, *Safety of household and similar electrical appliances – Part 1: General requirements*

Amendment 1 (1994)

IEC 60335 (all parts 2), *Safety for household and similar electrical appliances*

IEC 60364-4-41:1992, *Electrical installations of buildings – Part 4: Protection for safety – Chapter 41: Protection against electric shock*²⁾

Amendment 1 (1996)

Amendment 2 (1999)

IEC 60364-4-442:1993, *Electrical installations of buildings – Part 4: Protection for safety – Chapter 44: Protection against overvoltage – Section 442: Protection of low-voltage installations against faults between high-voltage systems and earth*³⁾

Amendment 1 (1995)

Amendment 2 (1999)

IEC 60364-4-443:1995, *Electrical installations of buildings – Part 4: Protection for safety – Chapter 44: Protection against overvoltages – Section 443: Protection against overvoltages of atmospheric origin or due to switching*⁴⁾

Amendment 1 (1998)

IEC 60384-14:1993, *Fixed capacitors for use in electronic equipment – Part 14: Sectional specification: Fixed capacitors for electromagnetic suppression and connection to the supply mains*

IEC 60417-1:1998, *Graphical symbols for use on equipment – Part 1: Overview and application*

IEC 60529:1989, *Degree of protection provided by enclosures (IP code)*

IEC 60617-2:1996, *Graphical symbols for diagrams – Part 2: Symbol elements, qualifying symbols and other symbols having general application*

IEC 60664-1:1992, *Insulation coordination for equipment within low-voltage systems – Part 1: Principles, requirements and tests*

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IEC 60664-3:1992, *Insulation coordination for equipment within low-voltage systems – Part 3: Use of coatings to achieve insulation coordination of printed board assemblies*

IEC 60669-1:1998, *Switches for household and similar fixed electrical installations – Part 1: General requirements*

IEC 60691:1993, *Thermal-links – Requirements and application guide*

IEC 60695-2-1 (all sheets), *Fire hazard testing – Part 2-1: Test methods*

IEC 60707:1999, *Flammability of solid non-metallic materials when exposed to flame sources – List of methods*

IEC 60730 (all parts), *Automatic electrical controls for household and similar use*

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IEC 60738-1:1998, *Thermistors directly heated positive step-function temperature efficient thermistors – Part 1: Generic specification*

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IEC 60893-1:1987, *Specification for industrial rigid laminated sheets based on thermosetting resins for electrical purposes – Part 1: Definitions, designations and general requirements*

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IEC 61000 (all parts), *Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC)*

IEC 61000-3-2:1995, *Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) – Part 3: Limits – Section 2: Limits for harmonic current emissions (equipment input current ≤ 16 A per phase)*⁵⁾

Amendment 1 (1997)

Amendment 2 (1998)

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IEC 61000-4-1:1992, *Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) – Part 4: Testing and measurement techniques – Section 1: Overview of immunity tests. Basic EMC publication*

IEC 61000-4-2:1995, *Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) – Part 4: Testing and measurement techniques – Section 2: Electrostatic discharge immunity test. Basic EMC publication*⁶⁾
Amendment 1 (1998)

IEC 61000-4-3:1995, *Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) – Part 4: Testing and measurement techniques – Section 3: Radiated, radio-frequency, electromagnetic field immunity test*⁷⁾
Amendment 1 (1998)

IEC 61000-4-4:1995, *Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) – Part 4: Testing and measurement techniques – Section 4: Electrical fast transient/burst immunity test. Basic EMC publication*

IEC 61000-4-6:1996, *Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) – Part 4: Testing and measurement techniques – Section 6: Immunity to conducted disturbances, induced by radio-frequency fields*

IEC 61000 4-11:1994, *Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) – Part 4: Testing and measurement techniques – Section 11: Voltage dips, short interruptions and voltage variations immunity tests*

IEC 61032:1997, *Protection of persons and equipment by enclosures – Probes for verification*

IEC 61058-2-1, *Switches for appliances – Part 2-1: Particular requirements for cord switches*

IEC 61058-2-4, *Switches for appliances – Part 2-4: Particular requirements for independently mounted switches*

ISO 1456:1988, *Metallic coatings – Electrodeposited coatings of nickel plus chromium and of copper plus nickel plus chromium*

ISO 2081:1986, *Metallic coatings – Electroplated coatings of zinc of iron or steel*

ISO 2093:1986, *Electroplated coatings of tin – Specification and test methods*

ISO 4046:1978, *Paper, board, pulp and related terms – Vocabulary*

⁶⁾ There is a consolidated edition 1.1 (1999) that includes IEC 61000-4-2 and its amendment 1 (1998).

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