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- a) The term "fixing device" has been removed
- b) The measuring range was changed to a display range, the indication of DC or peak values was added in 4.1.
- c) The frequency for the test of sensitivity for low-frequency magnetic was defined in 4.2;
- d) The specified measuring range is now defined as the range of indicated values based on the operating uncertainty in 4.3.
- e) Alignment of the structure with that of the whole IEC 61557 series;

108 f) The variation E_{12} (maximum load current), could be specified according to the
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114 voting indicated in the above table.

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INTRODUCTION

131 During periodical inspections of electrical installations, it is increasingly difficult to carry out
132 measurements of insulation resistances with devices in accordance with IEC 61557-2 when the
133 installations cannot be switched off for long periods and when there are sensitive appliances
134 connected. Therefore, the measurement of leakage currents can provide additional information
135 about the safe or unsafe situation of an installation.

136 Furthermore, the user has the opportunity to place current clamps and sensors on different
137 points of the distribution system for troubleshooting nuisance tripping of RCDs, alarms of RCMs
138 and other problems caused by low-frequency leakage currents.

139 Unfortunately, the presence of high external magnetic fields has a big impact on the
140 performance of commonly used current clamps and sensors. High uncertainty and non-
141 repeatability of readings can lead to unsafe interpretations.

142 This standard defines performance classes for current clamps and sensors in relationship to
143 ranges of high external magnetic fields and gives guidance to the user to choose the appropriate
144 measuring device for a given situation.

145 The hand-held and hand-manipulated current clamps and sensors can be stand-alone
146 instruments or accessories of instruments.

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153 **Part 13: Hand-held and hand-manipulated current clamps and sensors for**
154 **measurement of leakage currents in electrical distribution systems**
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156 **1 Scope**

157 This part of IEC 61557 defines special performance requirements for hand-held and hand-
158 manipulated current clamps and sensors for measurement of leakage currents in electrical
159 distribution systems up to 1 000 V AC and 1 500 V DC taking into account the influence of high
160 external low-frequency magnetic fields and other influencing quantities.

161 This standard does not apply to current clamps or sensors which are used in combination with
162 devices for insulation fault location in accordance with IEC 61557-9, unless it is specified by
163 the manufacturer.

164 **2 Normative references**

165 The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content
166 constitutes requirements of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies.
167 For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any
168 amendments) applies.

169 IEC 61010-1, *Safety requirements for electrical equipment for measurement, control and*
170 *laboratory use - Part 1: General requirements*

171 IEC 61010-2-032:2019, *Safety requirements for electrical equipment for measurement, control,*
172 *and laboratory use - Part 2-032: Particular requirements for hand-held and hand-*
173 *manipulated current sensors for electrical test and measurement*

174 IEC 61557-1, *Electrical safety in low voltage distribution systems up to 1 000 V a.c. and*
175 *1 500 V d.c. - Part 1: General requirements*

176 IEC 61326-1, *Electrical equipment for measurement, control and laboratory use - EMC*
177 *requirements - Part 1: General requirements*

178 IEC 61326-2-2, *Electrical equipment for measurement, control and laboratory use - EMC*
179 *requirements - Part 2-2: Particular requirements - Test configurations, operational*
180 *conditions and performance criteria for portable test, measuring and monitoring equipment*
181 *used in low-voltage distribution systems*

182 IEC 61000-4-8, *Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) - Part 4-8: Testing and measurement*
183 *techniques - Power frequency magnetic field immunity test*

184 **3 Terms and definitions**

185 For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in IEC 61557-1 and the
186 following apply.

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

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

191 **3.1**
192 **hand-held and hand-manipulated current clamps and sensors**
193 portable or hand-held device for measurement, display or for indication of types of leakage
194 currents in distribution systems without interruption of this circuits including defined attached
195 equipment

196 NOTE to entry: In the following text, only the expression "current sensors" is used.

197 **3.2**
198 **measurement category**
199 coordination of maximum transients to the working voltage

200 **3.3**
201 **variation E_{11}**
202 variation due to external low-frequency magnetic fields

203 **3.4**
204 **variation E_{12}**
205 variation due to load current during measurement using the differential method

206 NOTE to entry: For the differential method, see Annex A, Figure A.2.

207 **3.5**
208 **variation E_{13}**
209 variation due to touch current to earth caused by common mode voltage during hand-
210 manipulation

211 **3.6**
212 **variation E_{14}**
213 variation due to frequency [oSIST prEN IEC 61557-13:2022](https://standards.iteh.ai/catalog/standards/sist/44eff474-a9d1-447c-8bc8-dde917dc69d5/osist-pren-iec-61557-13-2022)
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214 **3.7**
215 **variation E_{15}**
216 repeatability of the measurement readings

217 NOTE to entry: Measurement readings can be due to at least 10 open/closed cycles.

218 **3.8**
219 **operating class**
220 performance class defining the influence of external low-frequency magnetic fields on the
221 current sensors

222 **3.9**
223 **leakage current**
224 current driven by active conductors of a distribution system and/or loads to earth and/or
225 protective conductors

226 **3.10**
227 **load current**
228 current flowing through the line conductor/s

229 **3.11**
230 **rated burden**
231 the value of the burden on which the accuracy requirements of a specification are based

232 [SOURCE: IEC 60050-321:1986, 321-01-26]

233 **3.12**
234 **resolution**
235 smallest change in the measurand, or quantity supplied, which causes a perceptible change in
236 the indication

237 [SOURCE: IEC 60050-311:2001, 311-03-10]

238 **4 Requirements**

239 **4.1 General requirements**

240 In addition to the requirements of IEC 61557-1:2019, Clause 4, the following requirements shall
241 apply.

242 Current sensors according to this standard shall be in accordance with IEC 61010-2-032.

243 Current sensors according to this standard shall have the ability to indicate leakage currents
244 for a minimum range of 1 mA to 10 A AC and/or DC and shall be designed for a load current of
245 at least 60 A. Multiple ranges are allowed.

246 The resolution shall be 0,1 mA AC and/or DC or higher.

247 The current values shall be indicated as RMS values. Additional indication of DC or peak values
248 are allowed.

249 The frequency range of the current sensors shall include a range from a minimum of 40 Hz up
250 to the third harmonic of the rated mains frequency.

251 NOTE 1 For railway applications a frequency range starting at 15 Hz is recommended.

252 NOTE 2 For industrial applications a frequency range up to 1 kHz is recommended.

253 NOTE 3 For testing the leakage current of appliances a measuring range starting at 0,1 mA with a resolution of
254 0,01 mA is recommended.

255 **4.2 Operating classes**

256 **4.2.1 General**

257 Current sensors are classified into three operating classes according to their sensitivity for
258 low-frequency magnetic fields in accordance with IEC 61000-4-8 at 50 Hz and 60 Hz.

259 For optional frequency ranges between 16,7 Hz and 400 Hz, the test configuration in
260 accordance with IEC 61000-4-8 shall be used.

261 **4.2.2 Operating class 1**

262 Current sensors of operating class 1 shall be applicable to operate within external
263 low-frequency magnetic fields according to 4.2.1 up to a field strength of 100 A/m.
264 The upper limit of field strength shall be marked on the pictogram according to 5.1.

265 **4.2.3 Operating class 2**

266 Current sensors of operating class 2 shall be applicable to operate within external low-
267 frequency magnetic fields according to 4.2.1 up to a field strength of 30 A/m.
268 The upper limit of field strength shall be marked on the pictogram according to 5.1.

269 4.2.4 Operating class 3

270 Current sensors of operating class 3 shall be applicable to operate within external low-
271 frequency magnetic fields according to 4.2.1 up to a field strength of 10 A/m. The upper limit of
272 field strength shall be marked on the pictogram according to 5.1.

273 4.3 Specified measuring range / operating uncertainty of reading

274 4.3.1 General

275 The operating uncertainty of the specified measuring range for current sensors of operating
276 class 1, operating class 2 and operating class 3 shall be determined according to the equation
277 of Table 3 within the operating conditions of 4.5. The relation between operating class and
278 external magnetic field is shown in Figure 1, Figure 2 and Table 1.

279 The fiducial value is the measured value of the leakage current.

280 4.3.2 Specified measuring range of an operating class 1 current sensor

281 The specified measuring range of an operating class 1 current sensor is the range of indicated
282 values between stated lower and upper measurements for which the operating uncertainty of
283 reading is:

284 – less than 15 % for values less than or equal to 10 mA, and is less than 10 % for values
285 greater than 10 mA for external low-frequency magnetic fields of up to 10 A/m;

286 and

287 – less than 20 % for values less than or equal to 10 mA and is less than 12,5 % for values
288 greater than 10 mA for external low-frequency magnetic fields of up to 30 A/m;

289 and

290 – less than 30 % for values less than or equal to 10 mA, and is less than 15 % for values
291 greater than 10 mA for external low-frequency magnetic fields of up to 100 A/m.

292 4.3.3 Specified measuring range of an operating class 2 current sensor

293 The specified measuring range of an operating class 2 current sensor is the range of indicated
294 values between stated lower and upper measurements for that the operating uncertainty of
295 reading is:

296 – less than 15 % for values less than or equal to 10 mA and is less than 10 % for values
297 greater than 10 mA for external low-frequency magnetic fields of up to 10 A/m;

298 and

299 – less than 20 % for values less than or equal to 10 mA and is less than 12.5 % for values
300 greater than 10 mA for external low-frequency magnetic fields of up to 30 A/m.

301 4.3.4 Specified measuring range of an operating class 3 current sensor

302 The specified measuring range of an operating class 3 instrument is the range of indicated
303 values between stated lower and upper measurements for which the operating uncertainty of
304 reading is:

305 – less than 15 % for values less than or equal to 10 mA and is less than 10 % for values
306 greater than 10 mA for external low-frequency magnetic fields of up to 10 A/m.