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73 **Electrical relays –**
74 **Tests and measurements**

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76 **Part 7-20: Mechanical endurance**
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80 **1 Scope**

81 This part of IEC 61810-7 is used for testing along with the appropriate severities and conditions
82 for measurements and tests designed to assess the ability of specimens to perform under
83 expected conditions of transportation, storage and all aspects of operational use.

84 The object of this test is to define a standard test method for mechanical endurance.

85 **2 Normative references**

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

90 IEC 61810-1:2015, *Electromechanical elementary relays – Part 1: General and safety*
91 *requirements*

92 IEC 61810-7-0, *Electrical relays – Tests and Measurements – Part 7-0: Testing – General and*
93 *Guidance*

94 IEC 61810-7-6, *Electrical relays – Tests and Measurements – Part 7-6: Contact-circuit*
95 *resistance (or voltage drop)*

96 IEC 61810-7-7, *Electrical relays – Tests and Measurements – Part 7-7: Functional tests*

97 IEC 61810-7-45, *Electrical relays – Tests and Measurements – Part 7-45: Maximum frequency*
98 *of operation*

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101 **3 IEC 61810-7-**

102 **3 Term of definition**

103 For the purpose of this document, the terms and definitions given in Clause 3 of
104 EC 61810-7-0 apply.

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106 4 Test procedure

107 4.1 Purpose

108 To assess the mechanical performance of relays under specified energization conditions over
109 an extended number of cycles.

110 NOTE The mechanical endurance has no linkage to any electrical endurance. However, any performed electrical
111 endurance could be be assests as an mechanical endurance.

112 4.2 Procedure

113 The relay shall be energized with the rated coil voltage or an appropriate value within the rated
114 coil voltage range or operative range and the test shall be conducted at ambient room
115 temperature or as otherwise specified.

116 Unless otherwise specified, the mechanical endurance shall be performed with nominal coil
117 voltage.

118 For alternate current coil driven relays - the switching action shall not be synchronous with the
119 source of the monitoring circuit. The frequency of operation shall be as specified; the relay shall
120 attain both - the operate and release/reset condition - within one cycle.

121 4.2.1 Method 1: Continuous checking

122 4.2.1.1 With monitoring contact load

123 The mechanical operation of the relay shall be monitored electrically, using a contact load as
124 specified. The contact load chosen shall ensure reliable monitoring of the performed cycles,
125 while not causing a level of wear of the contact points that might devalue the test.

126 It is permitted all contacts of the same type of the relay permitted to be connected in parallel or
127 as specifies by standards or the manufacturer.

128 NOTE The single contact monitoring will gain possible more information for product development reason and is up
129 to the manufacturer.

130 4.2.1.2 With other monitoring

131 The usage of other monitoring methods like using the coil current curve or sensors is permitted.
132 The reliable monitoring of the performed cycle shall be ensured.

133 4.2.2 Method 2: Intermediate checking

134 After each 20 % of the mechanical endurance specified, intermediate measurements shall be
135 made as specified by the manufacturer.

136 4.3 Conditions to be specified

137 In general, valid are the influence quantities in accordance to IEC 61810-7-0, 202X, Clause 4.4.

138 The conditions to be specified are the following:

- 139 a) method 1 or 2;
- 140 b) mounting conditions;
- 141 c) energization value;
- 142 d) ambient conditions;
- 143 e) total number of cycles or test duration for each contact and number of contacts to be tested
144 simultaneously or not;

- 145 f) number of cycles per hour and duty factor;
146 g) monitoring voltage and current, if applicable;
147 h) Contact configuration in case of multipole relays;

148 **5 Evaluation**

149 **5.1.1 Number of cycles**

150 **5.1.1.1 Method 1: Continuous checking**

151 At any time during the test, the accumulated number of malfunctions shall not exceed 0,1% of
152 the number of cycles performed until this time, or a percentage specified by the manufacturer or defined
153 in a detailed specification

154 **5.1.1.2 Method 2: Intermediate checking**

155 The measured intermediate parameters shall in accordance to IEC 61810-7-6 and IEC 61810-
156 7-7 within the limits defined by the manufacturer product specification at any intermediate
157 checking during the endurance test

158 **5.1.2 Visual inspection**

159 Subsequently for all relays a visual inspection shall verify the mechanical integrity of the relays.
160 For this purpose, it may be necessary to open the relays. Parts which are necessary for the
161 proper function of the relay, or any safety related parts, which are loose and/or broken shall be
162 considered a failure.

163 NOTE Safety related are defined as parts to ensure creepages and clearances as well protection against electrical
164 shock and requirement on solid insulation.

165 **5.1.3 Final measurement**

166 Any other measurement, if required or specified.