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# HIGH-VOLTAGE SWITCHGEAR AND CONTROLGEAR –

## Part 110: Inductive load switching

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### 131 **1 Scope**

132 This part of IEC 62271 is applicable to AC switching devices designed for indoor or outdoor  
133 installation, for operation at frequencies of 50 Hz and 60 Hz on systems having voltages above  
134 1000 V and applied for inductive current switching. It is applicable to switching devices  
135 (including circuit-breakers in accordance with IEC 62271-100) that are used to switch  
136 high-voltage motor currents and shunt reactor currents and also to high-voltage contactors used  
137 to switch high-voltage motor currents as covered by IEC 62271-106.

138 Switching unloaded transformers, i.e. breaking transformer magnetizing current, is not  
139 considered in this document. The reasons for this are as follows:

- 140 a) Owing to the non-linearity of the transformer core, it is not possible to correctly model the  
141 switching of transformer magnetizing current using linear components in a test laboratory.  
142 Tests conducted using an available transformer, such as a test transformer, will only be  
143 valid for the transformer tested and cannot be representative for other transformers.
- 144 b) As detailed in IEC TR 62271-306, the characteristics of this duty are usually less severe  
145 than any other inductive current switching duty. Such a duty may produce severe  
146 overvoltages within the transformer winding(s) depending on the re-ignition behaviour of the  
147 switching device and transformer winding resonance frequencies.

148 NOTE 1 The switching of tertiary reactors from the high-voltage side of the transformer is not covered by this  
149 document.

150 NOTE 2 The switching of shunt reactors earthed through neutral reactors is not covered by this document. However,  
151 the application of test results according to this document, on the switching of neutral reactor earthed reactors (4-leg  
152 reactor scheme), is discussed in IEC TR 62271-306.

### 153 **2 Normative references**

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

158 IEC 60050-441:1984, *International Electrotechnical Vocabulary – Chapter 441: Switchgear,*  
159 *controlgear and fuses* (available at [www.electropedia.org](http://www.electropedia.org))  
160 IEC 60050-441:1984/AMD1:2000

161 IEC 62271-1:2017, *High-voltage switchgear and controlgear – Part 1: Common specifications*  
162 *for alternating current switchgear and controlgear*  
163 IEC 62271-1:2017/AMD1:2021

164 IEC 62271-100:2021, *High-voltage switchgear and controlgear – Part 100: Alternating current*  
165 *circuit-breakers*

166 IEC 62271-106:2021, *High-voltage switchgear and controlgear – Part 106: Alternating current*  
167 *contactors, contactor-based controllers and motor-starters*



### 168 3 Terms and definitions

169 For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in IEC 60050-441,  
170 IEC 62271-1 and the following apply.

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

- 173 • IEC Electropedia: available at <http://www.electropedia.org/>
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#### 175 3.1 176 inductive current

177 power-frequency current drawn by an inductive circuit having a power factor 0,5 or less

#### 178 3.2 179 current chopping

180 abrupt current interruption in a switching device at a point-on-wave other than the natural  
181 power-frequency current zero

#### 182 3.3 183 virtual current chopping

184 current chopping in one of the three phases in a three-phase circuit originated by transients in  
185 another phase of the circuit

#### 186 3.4 187 suppression peak

188 first peak of the transient voltage to earth on the load side of the switching device following  
189 current interruption

190 Note 1 to entry: Suppression peak is not necessarily the absolute maximum of the transient recovery voltage.  
191 Previous breakdowns may have appeared at higher voltage values.

#### 192 3.5 193 recovery peak

194 maximum value of the voltage across the switching device occurring when the polarity of the  
195 recovery voltage is equal to the polarity of the power-frequency voltage

196 Note 1 to entry: Recovery peak is not necessarily the absolute maximum of the transient recovery voltage. Previous  
197 breakdowns may have appeared at higher voltage values.

#### 198 3.6 199 re-ignition

200 resumption of current between the contacts of a mechanical switching device during a breaking  
201 operation with an interval of zero current of less than a quarter cycle of power frequency

202 Note 1 to entry: In the case of inductive load switching the initiation of the re-ignition is a high-frequency event,  
203 which can be of a single or multiple nature and may in some cases be interrupted without power-frequency follow  
204 current.

#### 205 3.7 206 re-ignition-free arcing time window

207 period of arc duration during a breaking operation during which the contacts of a mechanical  
208 switching device reach sufficient distance to exclude re-ignition

## 209 4 Type tests

### 210 4.1 General

211 Circuit-breakers according to IEC 62271-100 and contactors according to IEC 62271-106 do  
212 not have dedicated inductive switching ratings. However, switching devices applied for this  
213 purpose shall meet the requirements of this document.

214 For shunt reactor switching test of circuit-breakers, the rated insulation level values stated in  
215 Tables 1, 2, 3 and 4 of IEC 62271-1:2017 are applicable with the exception of combined voltage  
216 tests across the isolating distance (columns (6) and (8) in Table 3 and column (5) in Table 4).

217 The type tests are in addition to those specified in the relevant product standard, with the  
218 exception of short-line faults, out-of-phase switching and capacitive current switching.

219 NOTE 1 The reason for this exception is the source-less nature of the shunt reactor load circuit.

220 NOTE 2 In some cases (high chopping overvoltage levels, or where a neutral reactor is present or in cases of shunt  
221 reactors with isolated neutral), it can be necessary to specify an appropriate insulation level which is higher than the  
222 rated values stated above.

223 Inductive current switching tests performed for a given current level and type of application may  
224 be considered valid for another current rating and same type of application as detailed below:

- 225 a) for shunt reactor switching at rated voltages of 52 kV and above, tests at a particular current  
226 level are to be considered valid for applications with a higher current level up to 150 % of  
227 the tested current value;
- 228 b) for shunt reactor switching at rated voltages below 52 kV, type testing is required;
- 229 c) for high-voltage motor switching, type testing for stalled motor currents at 100 A and 300 A  
230 is considered to cover stalled motor currents in the range 100 A to 300 A and up to the  
231 current associated with the short-circuit current of test-duty T10 according to 7.107.2 of  
232 IEC 62271-100:2021 for circuit-breakers and up to the rated operational current for  
233 contactors.

234 With respect to a) the purpose of type testing is also to determine a re-ignition-free arcing time  
235 window for controlled switching purposes (refer to IEC TR 62271-302) and caution should be  
236 exercised when considering applications at higher currents than the tested values since the re-  
237 ignition-free arcing window can increase at higher current.

238 Annex B of IEC 62271-100:2021 can be used with respect to tolerances on test quantities.

### 239 4.2 Miscellaneous provisions for inductive load switching tests

240 Subclause 7.102 of IEC 62271-100:2021 is applicable with the following addition:

241 High-voltage motor current and shunt reactor switching tests shall be performed at rated  
242 auxiliary and control voltage or, where necessary, at maximum auxiliary and control voltage to  
243 facilitate consistent control of the opening and closing operation according to 7.102.3.1 of  
244 IEC 62271-100:2021.

245 For gas filled switching devices (including vacuum switching devices using gaseous media for  
246 insulation), tests shall be performed at the rated functional pressure for interruption and  
247 insulation, except for test-duty 4, where the pressure shall be the minimum functional pressure  
248 for interruption and insulation.

## 249 4.3 High-voltage motor current switching tests

### 250 4.3.1 Applicability

251 Subclause 4.3 is applicable to three-phase alternating current switching devices having rated  
252 voltages above 1 kV and up to 17,5 kV, which are used for switching high-voltage motors. Tests  
253 may be carried out at 50 Hz with a relative tolerance of  $\pm 10\%$  or 60 Hz with a relative tolerance  
254 of  $\pm 10\%$ , both frequencies being considered equivalent.

255 Motor switching tests are applicable to all three-pole switching devices having rated voltages  
256 equal to or less than 17,5 kV, which may be used for the switching of three-phase asynchronous  
257 squirrel-cage or slip-ring motors. The switching device may be of a higher rated voltage than  
258 the motor when connected to the motor through a stepdown transformer. However, the usual  
259 application is a direct cable connection between switching device and motor. When tests are  
260 required, they shall be made in accordance with 4.3.2 to 4.3.9.

261 When overvoltage limitation devices are mandatory for the tested equipment, the voltage  
262 limiting devices may be included in the test circuit provided that the devices are an intrinsic part  
263 of the equipment under test.

264 No limits to the overvoltages are given as the overvoltages are only relevant to the specific  
265 application. Overvoltages between phases may be as significant as phase-to-earth  
266 overvoltages.

### 267 4.3.2 General

268 The switching tests can be either field tests or laboratory tests. As regards overvoltages, the  
269 switching of the current of a starting or stalled motor is usually the more severe operation.

270 Due to the non-linear behaviour of the motor iron core, it is not possible to exactly model the  
271 switching of motor current using linear components in a test station. Tests using linear  
272 components to simulate the motors can be considered to be more conservative than switching  
273 actual motors.

274 For laboratory tests a standardized circuit simulating the stalled condition of a motor is specified  
275 (refer to Figure 1). The parameters of this test circuit have been chosen to represent a relatively  
276 severe case with respect to overvoltages and will cover the majority of service applications.

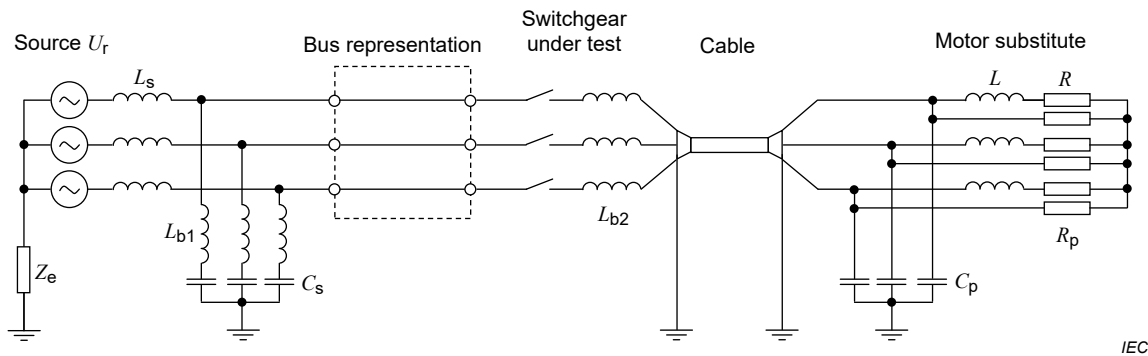
277 The laboratory tests are performed to prove the ability of a switching device to switch motors  
278 and to establish its behaviour with respect to switching overvoltages, re-ignitions and current  
279 chopping. These characteristics may serve as a basis for estimates of the switching device's  
280 performance in other motor circuits. Tests performed with the test currents defined in 4.3.3 and  
281 4.3.4 demonstrate the capability of the switching device to switch high-voltage motors up to its  
282 rated interrupting current.

283 For field tests, actual circuits are used with a supply system on the source side and a cable and  
284 motor on the load side. There may be a transformer between the switching device and motor.  
285 However, the results of such field tests are only valid for switching devices working in circuits  
286 similar to those during the tests.

287 The apparatus under test includes the switching device with overvoltage protection devices if  
288 they are normally fitted.

289 NOTE 1 Overvoltages can be produced when switching running motors. This condition is not represented by the  
290 substitute circuit and is generally considered to be less severe than the stalled motor case.

291 NOTE 2 The starting period switching of a slip-ring motor is generally less severe due to the effect of the starting  
292 resistor.



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**Key**

$U_r$	rated voltage	
$Z_e$	earthing impedance	impedance high enough to limit the phase-to-earth fault current to less than the test current (can be infinite)
$L_s$	source side inductance	$\omega L_s \leq 0,1 \omega L$ , but prospective short-circuit current $\leq$ the rated short-circuit current of the tested switching device
$C_s$	supply side capacitance	0,03 $\mu$ F to 0,05 $\mu$ F for supply circuit A 1,5 $\mu$ F to 2 $\mu$ F for supply circuit B
$L_{b1}$	inductance of capacitors and connections	$\leq 2 \mu$ H
Bus representation		5 m to 7 m in length spaced appropriate to the rated voltage
$L_{b2}$	inductance of connections	$\leq 5 \mu$ H
Cable		100 m $\pm$ 10 m, screened, surge impedance 30 $\Omega$ to 50 $\Omega$
$L$	motor substitute inductance	load circuit 1: 100 A $\pm$ 10 A load circuit 2: 300 A $\pm$ 30 A
$R$	motor substitute resistance	$\cos \varphi \leq 0,2$
$C_p$	motor substitute parallel capacitance	frequency 10 kHz to 15 kHz
$R_p$	motor substitute parallel resistance	amplitude factor 1,6 to 1,8

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**Figure 1 – Motor switching test circuit and summary of parameters**

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**4.3.3 Characteristics of the supply circuits**

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**4.3.3.1 General**

298 A three-phase supply circuit shall be used. The tests shall be performed using two different  
 299 supply circuits A and B as specified in 4.3.3.2 and 4.3.3.3, respectively. Supply circuit A  
 300 represents the case of a motor connected directly to a transformer. Supply circuit B represents  
 301 the case where parallel cables are applied on the supply side.

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**4.3.3.2 Supply circuit A**

303 The three-phase supply may be earthed through a high ohmic impedance so that the supply  
 304 voltage is defined with respect to earth. The impedance value shall be high enough to limit a  
 305 prospective line-to-earth fault current to a value below the test current.