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Introduction

Electrification technology can provide increased flexibility in mobile machinery configuration. It offers efficiency gains and enhanced power delivery options, which are not possible with current mechanical and hydraulic systems.

Traditional agricultural and earth-moving machinery electrical systems operate in VC-A1, 0-V DC to 32 V DC and 0-V AC to 21 V AC. VC-B2 mobile machinery operate in the 75-V DC to 1 500 V DC and 50-V AC to 1 000 V AC and are covered by ISO 16230-1 for agricultural machines and ISO 14990 series for earth-moving machines. This document covers mobile machinery with systems operating in VC-A2 and VC-B1 (see [Table 1](#)). Some of the content of this document is based on IEC 60204-1 and IEC 62477-1, adapted to the specific application of agricultural and earth-moving machinery. Non-electrical hazards are addressed by ISO 4254 series for agricultural machinery, ISO 26322 series for tractors used in agriculture and forestry, and ISO 20474 series for earth-moving machinery.

Even though this document addresses most hazards associated with the use of electrical systems within the voltage ranges in the scope of this document, owing to the possible presence of additional electrical hazards, conformance with it cannot be taken as an absolute guarantee of electrical safety. Areas of concern are included in the list of significant hazards found in [Annex A](#).

Having a background in the IEC approach to electrical system safety helps the user make better decisions about the application of this document.

[This document is a type-C standard as stated in ISO 12100.](#)

This document is of relevance, in particular, for the following stakeholder groups representing the market players with regard to machinery safety:

- machine manufacturers (small, medium and large enterprises); and
- health and safety bodies (regulators, accident prevention organisations, market surveillance, etc.)

Others can be affected by the level of machinery safety achieved with the means of the document by the above-mentioned stakeholder groups:

- machine users/employers (small, medium and large enterprises);
- machine users/employees (e.g. trade unions, organizations for people with special needs);
- service providers, (e.g. for maintenance, small, medium and large enterprises);
- consumers (in case of machinery intended for use by consumers).

The above-mentioned stakeholder groups have been given the possibility to participate at the drafting process of this document. The machinery concerned and the extent to which hazards, hazardous situations or hazardous events are covered are indicated in the Scope of this document.

When requirements of this type-C standard are different from those which are stated in type-A or type-B standards, the requirements of this type-C standard take precedence over the requirements of the other standards for machines that have been designed and built according to the requirements of this type-C standard.

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1 Scope

This document primarily specifies both general design requirements and guidelines for protection of operators and bystanders against electric shock and electrically induced fire, for voltage classes A2 (32 V DC to 60 V DC and 21 V AC to 30 V AC) and B1 (60 V DC to 75 V DC and 30 V AC to 50 V AC), including waveforms synthesized by power electronic converters. This document is limited to addressing hazards that are not as commonly found in 12 V DC and 24 V DC systems, including those related to higher power converters and drive motors.

NOTE-1 Although protection against electrically induced fire hazards is addressed sparingly, conformance to content of this document has the impact of reducing the occurrence and hazards associated with fire.

This document is applicable to electric systems used on:

- tractors, self-propelled ride-on machines, interchangeable towed machinery, semi-mounted implements, and mounted implements used in or with agriculture and forestry; and
- earth-moving machinery (EMM) as defined in ISO 6165 and attachments.

For mobile machinery with multiple rated voltages, with at least one system rated greater than VC-B1, this document addresses the risks associated with the interactions between VC-A2 and VC-B1 systems and those systems which are nearby and rated greater than VC-B1.

NOTE 2 Electrical safety requirements for greater than VC-B1 are described in ISO 16230-1 for agricultural machines and ISO 14990 series for earth-moving machines.

NOTE 3 Although 12 V DC and 24 V DC systems are generally below the limits of this document, meeting appropriate requirements of this document ensures that proper protection exists between the covered systems and lower voltage systems.

This document is applicable to mobile machinery that are either externally powered or self-powered or both.

Alternative safety requirements can be necessary for special equipment or components such as underground mining equipment. This document does not address the additional risks for mobile machinery operating in potentially explosive atmospheres.

This document deals with all significant hazards, hazardous situations, or hazardous events relevant within its scope (see Annex A), when the mobile machinery is used as intended and under conditions of misuse which are reasonably foreseeable by the manufacturer. It specifies appropriate technical measures for eliminating or reducing risks arising from significant hazards, hazardous situations, or hazardous events during commissioning, operation, and maintenance.

This document is not applicable to mobile machinery manufactured before the date of its publication.

2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all 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.

ISO 6405-1:2017, *Earth-moving machinery — Symbols for operator controls and other displays — Part 1: Common symbols*

ISO 7010:1¹⁾, *Graphical symbols — Safety colours and safety signs — Registered safety signs*

ISO 12100:2010, *Safety of machinery — General principles for design — Risk assessment and risk reduction*

ISO 13857:2019, *Safety of machinery — Safety distances to prevent hazard zones being reached by upper and lower limbs*

ISO 14990-1:2016, *Earth-moving machinery — Electrical safety of machines utilizing electric drives and related components and systems — Part 1: General requirements*

ISO 14990-2:2016, *Earth-moving machinery — Electrical safety of machines utilizing electric drives and related components and systems — Part 2: Particular requirements for externally-powered machines*

ISO 14990-3:2016, *Earth-moving machinery — Electrical safety of machines utilizing electric drives and related components and systems — Part 3: Particular requirements for self-powered machines*

ISO 15003, *Agricultural engineering — Electrical and electronic equipment — Testing resistance to environmental conditions*

ISO 16230-1:2015, *Agricultural machinery and tractors — Safety of higher voltage electrical and electronic components and systems — Part 1: General requirements*

~~ISO 17840-4, Road vehicles — Information for first and second responders — Part 4: Propulsion energy identification~~

ISO 19014-3, *Earth-moving machinery — Functional safety — Part 3: Environmental performance and test requirements of electronic and electrical components used in safety-related parts of the control system*

IEC 60034-1, *Rotating electrical machines — Part 1: Rating and performance*

IEC 60204-1:2016, *Safety of machinery — Electrical equipment of machines — Part 1: General requirements*

IEC 60309-1, *Plugs, socket-outlets, and couplers for industrial purposes — Part 1: General requirements*

IEC 60364-5-54:2011/AMD1:2021, *Low-voltage electrical installations — Part 5-54: Selection and erection of electrical equipment — Earthing arrangements and protective conductors*

IEC ~~60417~~,60417¹⁾, *Graphical symbols for use on equipment*

IEC 60529, *Degrees of protection provided by enclosures (IP Code)*

¹⁾ The graphical symbol collections of ISO 7010 and IEC 60417 can be previewed and purchased on the Online Browsing Platform (OBP), www.iso.org/obp.