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- a) The technical content has been extensively revised and expanded, taking into account experience gained in the construction and operation of PV installations, and developments made in technology, since the second edition was published.
- b) Key changes include requirements for PV power generation plants, direct connection to battery circuits, introduction of DC bus circuit and DCUs.

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The IEC 60364-7-7XX parts of IEC 60364 contain particular requirements for special installations or locations which are based on the requirements of the general parts of IEC 60364 (IEC 60364-1 to IEC 60364-6 and IEC 60364-8). These IEC 60364-7-7XX parts are considered in conjunction with the requirements of the general parts.

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