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This document is to be read in conjunction with IEC TS 62271-5:2024, to which it refers and which is applicable unless otherwise specified in this document. In order to simplify the indication of corresponding requirements, the same numbering of clauses and subclauses is used as in IEC TS 62271-5 if applicable. Modifications to these clauses and subclauses are given under the same references whilst additional subclauses are numbered from 101.

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## INTRODUCTION to IEC TS 62271-5:2024

This Technical Specification has been prepared by TC 17 and it defines common specifications for high-voltage direct current (HVDC) switchgear and controlgear covering both types of air insulated (AIS) and gas insulated (GIS) equipment of HVDC substations. This document includes rules for service conditions, ratings, design and construction requirements. Test requirements and criteria to proof for passing type and routine tests are defined in this document for development and manufacturing of HVDC switchgear.

This specification is applicable for both LCC and VSC HVDC technology.

SC 17A is in the process of preparing documents for the following HVDC switching devices:

- circuit-breakers (IEC TS 62271-313 [1])<sup>1</sup>;
- disconnectors and earthing switches (IEC TS 62271-314 [2]);
- transfer switches (IEC TS 62271-315 [3]);
- by-pass switches and paralleling switches (IEC TS 62271-316 [4]).

SC 17C is in the process of preparing a document for DC gas insulated switchgears (IEC TS 62271-318 [5]).

Standardization of direct voltages is the responsibility of TC 8 (System aspects of electrical energy supply).

TC 99 (Insulation co-ordination and system engineering of high voltage electrical power installations above 1,0 kV AC and 1,5 kV DC) defines requirements of DC substations for safety of insulation, equipment, installation and earthing (IEC 61936-2).

TC 115 (High Voltage Direct Current (HVDC) transmission for DC voltages above 100 kV) is responsible for DC transmission system aspects. It is the responsibility of TC 115 to define requirements for different equipment (e. g. switching devices) from system point of view. These definitions are implemented in documents from other TCs. Several Working Groups and Maintenance Teams are preparing documents on reliability, EMC, asset management, system design, DC harmonics, testing, HVDC grids, VSC and LCC converter and insulation coordination for HVDC systems.

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This document mainly refers to IEC TS 62271-5. In addition, some findings and considerations from CIGRE are referred to in this document [1],[2].

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<sup>1</sup> Numbers in square brackets refer to the Bibliography.