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Annex ZA (normative)

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<u>Publication</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>EN/HD</u>	<u>Year</u>
IEC 60050-441	-	Electrotechnical Vocabulary – Switchgear, controlgear and fuses	-	-
IEC 60034-12	2016	Rotating electrical machines - Part 12: Starting performance of single-speed three-phase cage induction motors	EN 60034-12	2017
IEC 60034-30-1	2014	Rotating electrical machines - Part 30-1: Efficiency classes of line operated AC motors (IE code)	EN 60034-30-1	2014
IEC 60068-2-14	2009	Environmental testing – Part 2-14: Tests – Test N: Change of temperature	EN 60068-2-14	2009
IEC 60228	2004	Conductors of insulated cables	EN 60228 +AC	2005 2005
IEC 60269	(all parts)	Low-voltage fuses	EN 60269	(series)
IEC 60417	-	Graphical symbols for use on equipment	-	-
IEC 60695-2-11	2014	Fire hazard testing - Part 2-11: Glowing/hot-wire based test methods - Glow-wire flammability test method for end products (GWEPT)	EN 60695-2-11	2014
IEC 60947-1	2020	Low-voltage switchgear and controlgear - Part 1: General rules	EN IEC 60947-1	2021
IEC 60947-5-1	2016	Low-voltage switchgear and controlgear - Part 5-1: Control circuit devices and switching elements - Electromechanical control circuit devices	EN 60947-5-1	2017
+ CORR 1	2016			
IEC 61000-4-2	2008	Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) – Part 4-2: Testing and measurement techniques – Electrostatic discharge immunity test	EN 61000-4-2	2009
IEC 61000-4-3	2006	, Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) – Part 4-3: Testing and measurement techniques – Radiated, radio-frequency, electromagnetic field immunity test	EN 61000-4-3	2006
+A1	2007		+A1	2008
+A2	2010		+A2	2010

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IEC 61000-4-4	2012	Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) – Part 4–4: Testing and measurement techniques – Electrical fast transient/burst immunity test	EN 61000-4-4	2012
IEC 61000-4-5	2014	Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) – Part 4–5: Testing and measurement techniques – Surge immunity test	EN 61000-4-5	2014
+A1	2017		+A1	2017
IEC 61000-4-6	2013	Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) – Part 4–6: Testing and measurement techniques – Immunity to conducted disturbances, induced by radio-frequency fields	EN 61000-4-6 +AC1	2014 2015
IEC 61238-1-1	-	Compression and mechanical connectors for power cables - Part 1–1: Test methods and requirements for compression and mechanical connectors for power cables for rated voltages up to 1 kV (Um = 1,2 kV) tested on non-insulated conductors	EN IEC 61238-1-1	2019
IEC 61545	1996	Connecting devices - Devices for the connection of aluminium conductors in clamping units of any material and copper conductors in aluminium bodied clamping units	-	-
IEC 62208	2011	Empty enclosures for low-voltage switchgear and controlgear assemblies - General requirements	EN 62208	2011
IEC 62475	2010	High-current test techniques - Definitions and requirements for test currents and measuring systems	EN 62475	2010
ISO 2859-1	1999	Sampling procedures for inspection by attributes - Part 1: Sampling schemes indexed by acceptance quality limit (AQL) for lot-by-lot inspection	-	-
+A1	2011			
CISPR 11	2015	Industrial, scientific and medical equipment – Radio-frequency disturbance characteristics – Limits and methods of measurement	EN 55011 (modified)	2016
+A1	2016		+A1	2017
CISPR 32	2015	Electromagnetic compatibility of multimedia equipment - Emission requirements	EN 55032 +AC	2015 2016

Annex ZZA (informative)

Relationship between this European standard and the essential requirements of Directive 2014/30/EU [2014 OJ L96] aimed to be covered

This European standard has been prepared under the European Commission standardization request C(2016) 7641 final of 30.11.2016¹, ('M/552'), as regards harmonized standards in support of Directive 2014/30/EU relating to electromagnetic compatibility, to provide one voluntary means of conforming to essential requirements of Directive 2014/30/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 February 2014 on the harmonization of the laws of the Member States relating to electromagnetic compatibility [2014 OJ L96].

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Table ZZA.1 — Correspondence between this European standard and the Essential Requirements set out in Directive 2014/30/EU [2014 OJ L96]

Essential requirements of Directive 2014/30/EU	Clause(s) / sub-clause(s) of this EN	Remarks / Notes
Annex I. 1(a) (electromagnetic disturbances)	8.3.3, 9.4.3, D.9.4	
Annex I. 1(b) (electromagnetic immunity)	8.3.2, 9.4.2, D.9.4	

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Annex ZZB (informative)

Relationship between this European standard and the safety objectives of Directive 2014/35/EU [2014 OJ L96] aimed to be covered

This European standard has been prepared under a Commission's standardization request relating to harmonized standards in the field of the Low Voltage Directive, M/511, to provide one voluntary means of conforming to safety objectives of Directive 2014/35/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 February 2014 on the harmonization of the laws of the Member States relating to the making available on the market of electrical equipment designed for use within certain voltage limits [2014 OJ L96].

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Table ZZB.1 — Correspondence between this European standard and Annex I of Directive 2014/35/EU [2014 OJ L96]

Safety objectives of Directive 2014/35/EU	Clause(s) / sub-clause(s) of this EN	Remarks/note
1 a)	1, 2, 3, 6.2, 6.3, Annex D, Annex E	
1 b)	1, 2, 3, 6.2, 6.3, Annex C, Annex D, Annex E	
1 c)	1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, A.1, A.2, C.1, D.1, D.2, E.1, E.6.3	Also refer to 2 a) to 2 d) and 3 a) to 3 c) in this table
2 a)	1, 2, 3, 8.1, 8.2, 9.1, 9.3, 9.5, Annex A, Annex C, Annex D	
2 b)	1, 2, 3, 5, 8.1, 8.2.2, 9.3, Annex A, Annex C, Annex D, Annex E	
2 c)	1, 2, 3, 6, 8.1, 8.2, 8.3, 9.1, 9.2, 9.3, Annex A, Annex C, Annex D, Annex E	
2 d)	1, 2, 3, 4.3, 5, 6.2, 6.3, 8.1, 8.2, 9.1, 9.2, 9.3, 9.5, Annex A, Annex C, Annex D, Annex E	
3 a)	1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 8.2, 8.3, 9.1, 9.2, 9.3, 9.5, Annex A, Annex C, Annex D, Annex E	
3 b)	1, 2, 3, 6.2, 6.3, 7, Annex D	
3 c)	1, 2, 3, 6.3, 8.3, 9.3, Annex D, Annex E	

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