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In this standard, Annexes A to H are informative.

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## Introduction

Environmental conditions and general requirements for electronics for rolling stock are given by the following standards EN 50125-1 and EN 50155.

This standard has been developed specifically for railway applications, to supplement the current standards. It covers general, safety and performance requirements in addition to or in place of those contained in EN 60925 and EN 60924.

NOTE 1 When applied unchanged the clauses of EN 60924 are either referred in this standard or introduced into if they are short texts.

NOTE 2 When a clause of EN 60924 applies with changes or is replaced by more specific requirements generally a short note explains the difference or the reason for that.

NOTE 3 Annex H gives clause by clause correspondence between EN 60924 and this standard.

NOTE 4 EN 60924 will be replaced by EN 61347-1, EN 61347-2-4, EN 61347-2-5, EN 61347-2-6 and EN 61347-2-7.

## 1 Scope

This standard specifies the performance and constructional requirements, and associated tests, for d.c. supplied electronic ballasts used to supply fluorescent lamps for lighting on railway rolling stock. Its requirements replace those of EN 60925 for all railway rolling stock applications and precise and complete those of EN 60924 for the specific needs of railway rolling stock applications.

This standard applies to electronic ballasts

- supplying pre-heated cathode fluorescent lamps without integrated starters, tubular or single capped, according to EN 60081 and EN 60901 respectively,
- having a single and non adjustable luminous flux level.

It does not apply to electronic ballasts supplying non pre-heated cathode lamps and/or lamps with integrated starters.

## 2 Normative references

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EN 45545-5 <sup>1)</sup>	Railway applications - Fire protection on railway vehicles Part 5: Fire safety requirements for electrical equipment including that of trolley buses, track guided buses and magnetic levitation vehicles
EN 50121-3-2 2000	Railway applications - Electromagnetic compatibility Part 3-2: Rolling stock - Apparatus
EN 50124-1	Railway applications - Insulation coordination Part 1: Basic requirements - Clearances and creepage distances for all electrical and electronic equipment
EN 50125-1	Railway applications - Environmental conditions for equipment Part 1: Equipment on board rolling stock

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