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## 1 Scope

This Standard applies to connectors of application Class A according to EN 61730-1 for use in photovoltaic systems with rated voltages up to 1 000 V d.c. and rated currents up to 125 A per contact.

This standard applies to connectors without breaking capacity but might be engaged and disengaged under voltage.

NOTE For connectors according to Class B and C of EN 61730 as well as for protection for Class II equipment intended for use between 0 V and 120 V d.c. in photovoltaic-systems this standard may be used as a guide.

## 2 Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application 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.

EN 50262:1998, *Cable glands for electrical installations*  
A1:2001  
A2:2004

EN 60068-1:1994, *Environmental testing – Part 1: General and guidance*  
(IEC 60068-1:1988 + A1:1992 + corr. 1988)

EN 60068-2-14, *Environmental testing – Part 2: Tests – Test N: Change of temperature* (IEC 60068-2-14)

EN 60068-2-70:1996, *Environmental testing – Part 2: Tests – Test Xb: Abrasion of marking and letterings caused by rubbing of fingers and hands* (IEC 60068-2-70:1995)

EN 60068-2-75, *Environmental testing – Part 2: Tests – Test Eh: Hammer tests* (IEC 60068-2-75)

EN 60068-2-78, *Environmental testing – Part 2-78: Tests – Test Cab: Damp heat, steady state*  
(IEC 60068-2-78)

EN 60228, *Conductors of insulated cables* (IEC 60228)

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(IEC 60309-1:1999)

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EN 60352-3:1994, *Solderless connections – Part 3: Solderless accessible insulation displacement connections – General requirements, test methods and practical guidance* (IEC 60352-3:1993)

EN 60352-4:1994, *Solderless connections – Part 4: Solderless non-accessible insulation displacement connections – General requirements, test methods and practical guidance* (IEC 60352-4:1994)

EN 60352-5, *Solderless connections – Part 5: Solderless press-in connections – General requirements, test methods and practical guidance* (IEC 60352-5)

EN 60352-6, *Solderless connections – Part 6: Insulation piercing connections – General requirements, test methods and practical guidance* (IEC 60352-6)

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