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A draft amendment, prepared by the CENELEC Reporting Secretariat SR 23, including a normative CENELEC annex to the future standard, was submitted to the formal vote.

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– explanatory matter: in smaller roman type.

For this European Standard, any text concerning particular conditions in certain European countries – which are included in the main body of the International Standard – shall be disregarded and has been replaced by the normative Annex ZA, *Special national conditions*.

Annexes ZA and ZB have been added by CENELEC.

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IEC 60309	NOTE	Harmonized in EN 60309 series (partially modified).
IEC 60320	NOTE	Harmonized in EN 60320 series (not modified).
IEC 60364-4-41	NOTE	Harmonized as HD 60364-4-41:2007 (modified).
IEC 61995	NOTE	Harmonized in EN 61995 series (partially modified).

Add the following annexes:

Annex ZA
(normative)

Special national conditions

Special national condition: National characteristic or practice that cannot be changed even over a long period, e.g. climatic conditions, electrical earthing conditions.

NOTE If it affects harmonization, it forms part of the European Standard.

For the countries in which the relevant special national conditions apply these provisions are normative, for other countries they are informative.

Clause	Special national condition
1	**Germany and United Kingdom**
	Add the following text to the scope:
	Where installation couplers have more than five wires, they shall meet the requirements of EN 61535 as though they were included in the scope and shall be tested in such a way that all of the mains voltage pins are subjected to the same level of testing.

Annex ZB
(normative)

Normative references to international publications with their corresponding European publications

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.

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Publication	Year	Title	EN/HD	Year
IEC 60068-2-31	2008	Environmental testing - Part 2-31: Tests - Test Ec: Rough handling shocks, primarily for equipment-type specimens	EN 60068-2-31	2008
IEC 60112	2003	Method for the determination of the proof and the comparative tracking indices of solid insulating materials	EN 60112	2003
IEC 60364 (mod)	Series	Low-voltage electrical installations	HD 60364	Series
IEC 60529	1989	Degrees of protection provided by enclosures (IP Code)	EN 60529 + corr. May	1991 1993
A1	1999		A1	2000
IEC 60664-1	2007	Insulation coordination for equipment within low-voltage systems - Part 1: Principles, requirements and tests	EN 60664-1	2007
IEC 60695-2-11	2000	Fire hazard testing - Part 2-11: Glowing/hot-wire based test methods - Glow-wire flammability test method for end-products	EN 60695-2-11	2001
IEC 60998-2-3 (mod)	2002	Connecting devices for low-voltage circuits for household and similar purposes - Part 2-3: Particular requirements for connecting devices as separate entities with insulation-piercing clamping units	EN 60998-2-3	2004
IEC 60999-1	1999	Connecting devices - Electrical copper conductors - Safety requirements for screw-type and screwless-type clamping units - Part 1: General requirements and particular requirements for clamping units for conductors from 0,2 mm² up to 35 mm² (included)	EN 60999-1	2000
IEC 61032	1997	Protection of persons and equipment by enclosures - Probes for verification	EN 61032	1998

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The technical content is therefore identical to the base edition and its amendment and has been prepared for user convenience. A vertical line in the margin shows where the base publication has been modified by amendment 1. Additions and deletions are displayed in red, with deletions being struck through.

International Standard IEC 61535 has been prepared by technical committee 23: Electrical accessories.

This publication has been drafted in accordance with the ISO/IEC Directives, Part 2.

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INSTALLATION COUPLERS INTENDED FOR PERMANENT CONNECTION IN FIXED INSTALLATIONS

1 Scope

This standard applies to two up to five wire installation couplers including earth, if provided, with a rated voltage up to and including 500 V a.c. and a rated connecting capacity up to and including 10 mm^2 for permanent connection in indoor electrical installations. Installation couplers with additional contacts for voltages other than mains voltages are outside the scope of this standard.

NOTE 1 Installation couplers according to this standard are used e.g. in prefabricated buildings, installation cavities, such as suspended floors and ceilings, or cable tray systems, cable ladder systems, cable ducting systems and cable trunking systems or in commercial show rooms, in partition walls and in any similar application or in furniture complying with IEC 60364-7-713.

NOTE 2 This standard may be used as a guide for installation couplers with additional contacts for voltages other than mains voltages.

NOTE 3 In the UK, where installation couplers have more than 5 wires, they shall meet the requirements of IEC 61535 as though they were included in the scope and shall be tested in such a way that all of the mains voltage pins are subjected to the same level of testing.

NOTE 4 In the USA, these installation couplers are not permitted to be used where they will not be visible after installation.

An installation coupler consists of an installation female connector and an installation male connector for permanent connection not intended to be engaged or disengaged under load nor to be engaged or disengaged other than during first installation or during reconfiguration or maintenance of the wiring system in which installation couplers have been installed. This means that installation couplers are only intended for infrequent use.

Installation couplers are not suitable for use in place of socket-outlet systems. Installation couplers are not suitable for use in place of devices for connecting luminaires (DCLs) according to IEC 61995 or luminaire supporting couplers (LSCs).

NOTE 5 For lower limits of in-service temperatures the necessary information is given in the manufacturer's installation instructions.

In locations where special conditions prevail, as in ships, vehicles and the like and in hazardous locations, for example where explosions are liable to occur, special constructions may be required.

NOTE 6 Particular requirements for installation couplers e.g. for. use at higher ambient temperatures, with higher mechanical durability (e.g. metal housings), with higher fire resistance and for use in control circuits (e.g. SELV), are under consideration.

NOTE 7 National rules may have requirements concerning the accessibility of installation couplers.

NOTE 8 Installation couplers are intended to be installed by instructed or skilled persons.

NOTE 9 National rules may specify who is allowed to carry out the connection and disconnection of installation couplers.

2 Normative references

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