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## INTRODUCTION

In order to demonstrate that the equipment is safe, it was previously necessary to refer to general safety standards such as IEC 61010-1 in addition to IEC 60664-1.

These general safety standards specify requirements for general product types or product families in order to reduce the risk of fire, electric shock or injury to the user. The product types do not include measuring relays and protection equipment. These standards also take into account single-fault conditions.

Reference to all these various standards created confusion due to conflicting requirements, for example, different clearances, creepage distances and test voltages etc., for the same rated voltages.

The aim of this standard is:

- to remove confusion due to conflicting requirements between existing standards;
- to achieve a uniform approach throughout the international industry for measuring relays and protection equipment.

This product safety standard for measuring relays and protection equipment takes the general product safety standards and IEC 60664-1 as the base, defining those issues specific to measuring relays and protection equipment.



## MEASURING RELAYS AND PROTECTION EQUIPMENT –

### Part 27: Product safety requirements

#### 1 Scope

This part of the IEC 60255 series describes the product safety requirements for measuring relays and protection equipment having a rated a.c. voltage up to 1 000 V with a rated frequency up to 65 Hz, or a rated d.c. voltage up to 1 500 V. Above these limits, IEC 60664-1 is applicable for the determination of clearance, creepage distance and withstand test voltage.

This standard details essential safety requirements to minimize the risk of fire and hazards caused by electric shock or injury to the user.

This standard does not cover the safety requirements of installations. It does cover all the ways in which the equipment may be mounted and used in cubicles, racks and panels, and also retesting. This standard also applies to auxiliary devices such as shunts, series resistors, transformers, etc., that are used in conjunction with measuring relays and protection equipment and are tested together.

Ancillary equipment used in conjunction with measuring relays and protection equipment may need to comply with additional safety requirements.

This standard is intended to describe only product safety requirements; therefore, functional performance of the equipment is not covered.

Functional safety requirements, including EMC functional safety, are not covered by this standard. Functional safety risk analysis is not within the scope of this product safety standard.

This standard does not specify the implementation of individual equipment, circuits and components.

The object of this standard is to have a comprehensive standard that covers all aspects of product safety and the related type and routine tests, for measuring relays and protection equipment.

This standard applies to equipment designed to be safe at least under the following environmental conditions:

- indoor use;
- altitude up to 2 000 m, in accordance with IEC 60255-1;
- external operating temperature range, in accordance with IEC 60255-1;
- maximum external relative humidity 95 %, non-condensing, in accordance with IEC 60255-1;
- supply fluctuations in accordance with IEC 60255-1;
- applicable supply overvoltage category;
- external pollution degree 1 and external pollution degree 2.

The equipment will normally be installed in a restricted access area within a power station, substation or industrial/retail environment. The environmental conditions specified for the equipment in IEC 60255-1 apply. This standard considers the normal environmental

conditions of corrosion caused by humidity but does not cover corrosion by atmospheric pollution.

It is assumed that access to the equipment during installation, maintenance, normal service and decommissioning is restricted to users aware of working procedures necessary to ensure safety.

This product safety standard takes precedence over general standards for matters of safety.

## 2 Normative references

The following documents, in whole or in part, are normatively referenced in this document and are indispensable for its application. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

IEC 60050 (all parts), *International Electrotechnical Vocabulary* (available at <<http://www.electropedia.org>>)

IEC 60085, *Electrical insulation – Thermal evaluation and designation*

IEC 60255-1, *Measuring relays and protection equipment – Part 1: Common requirements*

IEC 60255-21-1, *Electrical relays – Part 21: Vibration, shock, bump and seismic tests on measuring relays and protection equipment – Section One: Vibration tests (sinusoidal)*

IEC 60255-21-2, *Electrical relays – Part 21: Vibration, shock, bump and seismic tests on measuring relays and protection equipment – Section Two: Shock and bump tests*

IEC 60255-21-3, *Electrical relays – Part 21: Vibration, shock, bump and seismic tests on measuring relays and protection equipment – Section 3: Seismic tests*

IEC 60255-26:2013, *Measuring relays and protection equipment – Part 26: Electromagnetic compatibility requirements*

IEC 60352-1, *Solderless connections – Part 1: Wrapped connections – General requirements, test methods and practical guidance*

IEC 60352-2, *Solderless connections – Part 2: Crimped connections – General requirements, test methods and practical guidance*

IEC 60417, *Graphical symbols for use on equipment*. Available at: <http://www.graphical-symbols.info/equipment>

IEC 60529:1989, *Degrees of protection provided by enclosures (IP Code)*  
Amendment 1:1999<sup>1</sup>

IEC 60664-1:2007, *Insulation coordination for equipment within low-voltage systems – Part 1: Principles, requirements and tests*

IEC 60664-3:2003, *Insulation coordination for equipment within low-voltage systems – Part 3: Use of coating, potting or moulding for protection against pollution*  
Amendment 1:2010

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1 There exists a consolidated Edition 2.1 (2001) that includes Edition 2.0 and its Amendment 1.

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