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EN 62040-1:2008 merges all requirements of EN 62040-1-1:2003 and EN 62040-1-2:2003, with the addition of the following:

- update of normative references including EN 60950-1 as Reference Document (RD);
- harmonization and alignment with current world recognized best practices;
- enhancement of backfeed protection, definition of ground-fault, revision of temperature rise tables and of hydrogen concentration in battery compartments.

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IEC 60417	Data-base	Graphical symbols for use on equipment	-	-
IEC 60529	- <sup>1)</sup>	Degrees of protection provided by enclosures (IP Code)	EN 60529 + corr. May	1991 <sup>2)</sup> 1993
IEC 60664	Series	Insulation coordination for equipment within low-voltage systems	EN 60664	Series
IEC/TR 60755	- <sup>1)</sup>	General requirements for residual current operated protective devices	-	-
IEC 60950-1 (mod)	2005	Information technology equipment - Safety - Part 1: General requirements	EN 60950-1	2006
IEC 61000-2-2	- <sup>1)</sup>	Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) - Part 2-2: Environment - Compatibility levels for low-frequency conducted disturbances and signalling in public low-voltage power supply systems	EN 61000-2-2	2002 <sup>2)</sup>
IEC 61008-1 (mod)	- <sup>1)</sup>	Residual current operated circuit-breakers without integral overcurrent protection for household and similar uses (RCCB's) - Part 1: General rules	EN 61008-1 + A11	2004 <sup>2)</sup> 2007
IEC 61009-1 (mod)	- <sup>1)</sup>	Residual current operated circuit-breakers with integral overcurrent protection for household and similar uses (RCBO's) - Part 1: General rules	EN 61009-1 + corr. July + A11	2004 <sup>2)</sup> 2006 2008
IEC 62040-2	2005	Uninterruptible power systems (UPS) - Part 2: Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) requirements	EN 62040-2 + corr. November	2006 2006
IEC 62040-3 (mod)	1999	Uninterruptible power systems (UPS) - Part 3: Method of specifying the performance and test requirements	EN 62040-3	2001

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**UNINTERRUPTIBLE POWER SYSTEMS (UPS) –**

**Part 1: General and safety requirements for UPS**

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International Standard IEC 62040-1 has been prepared by subcommittee 22H: Uninterruptible power systems (UPS), of IEC technical committee 22: Power electronic systems and equipment.

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- update of normative references including IEC 60950-1 as Reference Document (RD);
- harmonization and alignment with current world recognized best practices;
- enhancement of backfeed protection, definition of ground-fault, revision of temperature rise tables and of hydrogen concentration in battery compartments;
- **Amendment 1 introduces short-time withstand current requirements when a short-circuit is applied at the output of the UPS (5.5.4).**

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

It is to be used with IEC 60950-1, Edition 2.0, which is referred to in this standard as "RD".

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## INTRODUCTION TO THE AMENDMENT

This amendment determines the short-time withstand current test requirements for the purpose of verifying the safety of the **UPS** when a short circuit is applied across the output terminals under prescribed modes of operation wherein the output power is delivered by the a.c. input through a **low impedance path**.

# UNINTERRUPTIBLE POWER SYSTEMS (UPS) –

## Part 1: General and safety requirements for UPS

### 1 Scope and specific applications

#### 1.1 Scope

This part of IEC 62040 applies to **uninterruptible power systems (UPS)** with an electrical energy storage device in the d.c. link. It is used with IEC 60950-1, which is referred to in this standard as "RD" (reference document).

NOTE **UPS** applications generally make use of a chemical battery as the energy storage device. Alternative devices may be suitable, and as such, where "battery" appears in the text of this standard, where applicable, this may be understood as "energy storage device".

When a clause is referred to by the phrase "The definitions or the provisions of item/RD apply", this phrase is intended to mean that the definitions or provisions in that clause of IEC 60950-1 apply, except any which are clearly inapplicable to **uninterruptible power systems**. National requirements additional to those in IEC 60950-1 apply and are found as notes under relevant clauses of the RD.

The primary function of the **UPS** covered by this standard is to ensure continuity of an alternating power source. The **UPS** may also serve to improve the quality of the power source by keeping it within specified characteristics.

This standard is applicable to **UPS** which are movable, stationary, fixed or for building-in, for use in low-voltage distribution systems and intended to be installed in any **operator** accessible area or in **restricted access locations** as applicable. It specifies requirements to ensure safety for the **operator** and layman who may come into contact with the equipment and, where specifically stated, for the **service person**.

This standard is intended to ensure the safety of installed **UPS**, both as a single **UPS** unit or as a system of interconnected **UPS** units, subject to installing, operating and maintaining the **UPS** in the manner prescribed by the manufacturer.

This standard does not cover **UPS** based on rotating machines.

Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) requirements and definitions are given in IEC 62040-2.

#### 1.2 Specific applications

Even if this standard does not cover all types of **UPS**, it may be taken as a guide for such equipment. Requirements additional to those specified in this standard may be necessary for specific applications, e.g. related to **UPS** that operate:

- while exposed to extremes of temperature; to excessive dust, moisture, or vibration; to flammable gases; to corrosive or to explosive atmospheres;
- where ingress of water and foreign objects are possible;

NOTE 1 Annex H provides guidance on such requirements and on relevant testing.

- in vehicles, on board ships or aircraft, in tropical countries, or at elevations greater than 1 000 m;

NOTE 2 Guidance for performance of **UPS** operating at elevations greater than 1 000 m is provided in 4.1.1 of IEC 62040-3.

- with trapezoidal output waveforms and long run times (greater than 30 min);  
NOTE 3 In addition to complying with 5.3.1.2 of IEC 62040-3, voltage distortion tests for the purpose of load compatibility should also be performed.
  - subject to transient overvoltages exceeding those of overvoltage category II according to IEC 60664;  
NOTE 4 Subclause G.2.1/RD provides guidance for additional protection against transient overvoltages at the mains supply to the **UPS**. Where such additional protection is an integral part of the equipment insulation requirements, creepage distances and clearance distances from the mains through to the load side of the additional protection may be judged as category III or IV as required. All further downstream insulation requirements, creepage distances, and clearance distances on the load side of the additional protection may be judged as category I or II as required.
  - in electromedical applications with the **UPS** located within 1,5 m of the patient contact area;
  - in systems classified as emergency power systems by an authority having jurisdiction.
- NOTE 5 Additional requirements may also apply in accordance with local regulations.

## 2 Normative references

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IEC 60364-4-42, *Electrical installations of buildings – Part 4-42: Protection for safety – Protection against thermal effects*

IEC 60417, *Graphical symbols for use on equipment*

IEC 60529, *Degrees of protection provided by enclosures (IP Code)*

IEC 60664 (all parts), *Insulation coordination for equipment within low-voltage systems*

IEC 60755, *General requirements for residual current operated protective devices*

IEC 60950-1:2005, *Information technology equipment – Safety – Part 1: General requirements*

IEC 61000-2-2, *Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) – Part 2-2: Environment – Compatibility levels for low-frequency conducted disturbances and signaling in public low-voltage power supply systems*

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