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- introduction of new verifications, accordingly;
- correction of inconsistencies in resistance, reactance and impedance measurements and calculations;
- numerous editorial improvements.

This standard is to be read in conjunction with EN 61439-1:2011.

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IEC 61439 series	NOTE	Harmonised as EN 61439 series (partly modified).
IEC 61534 series	NOTE	Harmonised as EN 61534 series (not modified).

Annex ZA (normative)

Normative references to international publications with their corresponding European publications

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NOTE When an international publication has been modified by common modifications, indicated by (mod), the relevant EN/HD applies.

This clause of EN 61439-1:2011 is applicable with the addition of the following references:

<u>Publication</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>EN/HD</u>	<u>Year</u>
IEC 60332-3-10	2000	Tests on electric and optical fibre cables under fire conditions - Part 3-10: Test for vertical flame spread of vertically-mounted bunched wires or cables - Apparatus	EN 60332-3-10 ¹⁾	2009
IEC 60439-2	2000	Low-voltage switchgear and controlgear assemblies - Part 2: Particular requirements for busbar trunking systems (busways)	EN 60439-2	2000
IEC 61439-1	2011	Low-voltage switchgear and controlgear assemblies - Part 1: General rules	EN 61439-1	2011
IEC 61786	1998	Measurement of low-frequency magnetic and electric fields with regard to exposure of human beings - Special requirements for instruments and guidance for measurement	-	-
ISO 834-1	1999	Fire-resistance tests - Elements of building construction - Part 1: General requirements	-	-

¹⁾ EN 60332-3-10 includes A1 to IEC 60332-3-10.

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Compliance with this standard provides one means of conformity with the specified essential requirements of the Directive concerned.

WARNING: Other requirements and other EU Directives may be applicable to the products falling within the scope of this standard.

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Part 6: Busbar trunking systems (busways)

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This edition of IEC 61439-6 includes the following significant technical changes with respect to the latest edition of IEC 60439-2:

- alignment on the second edition of IEC 61439-1 (2011) regarding the structure and technical content, as applicable;
- introduction of new verifications, accordingly;
- correction of inconsistencies in resistance, reactance and impedance measurements and calculations;
- numerous editorial improvements.

The text of this standard is based on the following documents:

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Full information on the voting for the approval of this standard can be found in the report on voting indicated in the above table.

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

This standard is to be read in conjunction with the second edition of IEC 61439-1. The provisions of the general rules dealt with in IEC 61439-1 (hereinafter referred to as Part 1) are only applicable to this standard insofar as they are specifically cited. When this standard states “addition”, “modification” or “replacement”, the relevant text in Part 1 is to be adapted accordingly.

Subclauses that are numbered with a 101 (102, 103 etc.) suffix are additional to the same subclause in Part 1.

Tables and figures in this Part 6 that are new are numbered starting with 101.

New annexes in this Part 6 are lettered AA, BB, etc.

The “in some countries” notes regarding differing national practices are contained in the following subclauses:

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A list of all parts of the IEC 61439 series, under the general title *Low-voltage switchgear and controlgear assemblies* can be found on the IEC website.

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- replaced by a revised edition, or
- amended.

LOW-VOLTAGE SWITCHGEAR AND CONTROLGEAR ASSEMBLIES –

Part 6: Busbar trunking systems (busways)

1 Scope

NOTE 1 Throughout this part, the abbreviation BTS is used for a busbar trunking system. Where reference to Part 1 is made, the term ASSEMBLY therefore reads as "BTS".

This part of IEC 61439 lays down the definitions and states the service conditions, construction requirements, technical characteristics and verification requirements for low voltage BTS (see 3.101) as follows:

- BTS for which the rated voltage does not exceed 1 000 V in case of a.c. or 1 500 V in case of d.c.;
- BTS intended for use in connection with the generation, transmission, distribution and conversion of electric energy, and for the control of electric energy consuming equipment;
- BTS designed for use under special service conditions, for example in ships, in rail vehicles, and for domestic applications (operated by unskilled persons), provided that the relevant specific requirements are complied with;

NOTE 2 Supplementary requirements for BTS in ships are covered by IEC 60092-302.

- BTS designed for electrical equipment of machines. Supplementary requirements for BTS forming part of a machine are covered by the IEC 60204 series.

This standard applies to all BTS whether they are designed, manufactured and verified on a one-off basis or fully standardized and manufactured in quantity.

The manufacture and/or assembly may be carried out by a manufacturer other than the original manufacturer (see 3.10.1 and 3.10.2 of Part 1).

This standard does not apply to individual devices and self-contained components, such as motor starters, fuse switches, electronic equipment, etc. which will comply with the relevant product standard.

This standard does not apply to the specific types of ASSEMBLIES covered by other parts of the IEC 61439 series, to supply track systems in accordance with IEC 60570, to cable trunking and ducting systems in accordance with the IEC 61084 series, nor to power track systems in accordance with the IEC 61534 series.

2 Normative references

This clause of Part 1 is applicable except as follows.

Addition:

IEC 60332-3-10:2000, *Tests on electric and optical fibre cables under fire conditions – Part 3-10: Test for vertical flame spread of vertically-mounted bunched wires or cables – Apparatus*

IEC 60439-2:2000, *Low-voltage switchgear and controlgear assemblies – Part 2: Particular requirements for busbar trunking systems (busways)*

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