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FOREWORD

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This standard forms part 4-7 of IEC 61000. It has the status of a basic EMC publication in accordance with IEC Guide 107.

This second edition cancels and replaces the first edition published in 1991, and constitutes a technical revision.

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

FDIS	Report on voting
77A/382/FDIS	77A/387/RVD

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 3.

Annexes A, B and C are for information only.

The committee has decided that the contents of this publication will remain unchanged until 2005. At this date, the publication will be

- reconfirmed;
- withdrawn;
- replaced by a revised edition, or
- amended.

The contents of the corrigendum of July 2004 have been included in this copy.

INTRODUCTION

IEC 61000 is published in separate parts, according to the following structure:

Part 1: General

- General considerations (introduction, fundamental principles)
- Definitions, terminology

Part 2: Environment

- Description of the environment
- Classification of the environment
- Compatibility levels

Part 3: Limits

- Emission limits
- Immunity limits (in so far as they do not fall under the responsibility of the product committees)

Part 4: Testing and measurement techniques

- Measurement techniques
- Testing techniques

Part 5: Installation and mitigation guidelines

- Installation guidelines
- Mitigation methods and devices

Part 6: Generic standards

Part 9: Miscellaneous

Each part is further subdivided into several parts, published either as International Standards or as technical specifications or technical reports, some of which have already been published as sections. Other will be published with the part number followed by a dash and a second number identifying the subdivision (example: 61000-6-1).

These publications will be published in chronological order and numbered accordingly.

This part is an International Standard for the measurement of harmonic currents and voltages in power supply systems and harmonic currents emitted by equipment. It also specifies the performance of a standard measuring instrument.

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1 Scope

This part of IEC 61000 is applicable to instrumentation intended for measuring spectral components in the frequency range up to 9 kHz which are superimposed on the fundamental of the power supply systems at 50 Hz and 60 Hz. For practical considerations, this standard distinguishes between harmonics, interharmonics and other components above the harmonic frequency range, up to 9 kHz.

This standard defines the measurement instrumentation intended for testing individual items of equipment in accordance with emission limits given in certain standards (for example, harmonic current limits as given in IEC 61000-3-2) as well as for the measurement of harmonic currents and voltages in actual supply systems. Instrumentation for measurements above the harmonic frequency range, up to 9 kHz is tentatively defined (see Annex B).

NOTE 1 This document deals in detail with instruments based on the discrete Fourier transform.

NOTE 2 The description of the functions and structure of the measuring instruments in this standard is very explicit and meant to be taken literally. This is due to the necessity of having reference instruments with reproducible results irrespective of the characteristics of the input signals.

NOTE 3 The instrument is defined to accommodate measurements of harmonics up to the 50th order.

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.

IEC 60050-161, *International Electrotechnical Vocabulary – Chapter 161: Electromagnetic compatibility*

IEC 61000-3-2, *Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) – Part 3-2: Limits – Limits for harmonic current emissions (equipment input current ≤ 16 A per phase)*

IEC 61967-1, *Integrated circuits – Measurement of electromagnetic emissions, 150 kHz to 1 GHz – Part 1: Measurement conditions and definitions*¹

¹ To be published