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### SAFETY REQUIREMENTS FOR ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT FOR MEASUREMENT, CONTROL, AND LABORATORY USE –

#### **Part 2-033: Particular requirements for hand-held multimeters and other METERS, for domestic and professional use, capable of measuring MAINS voltage**

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International Standard IEC 61010-2-033 has been prepared by IEC technical committee 66: Safety of measuring, control and laboratory equipment.

This second edition cancels and replaces the first edition published in 2012. This edition constitutes a technical revision.

This edition includes the following significant technical changes with respect to the previous edition:

- a) The scope has been reduced to hand-held multimeters. Voltmeters and clamp multimeters have been removed. They are addressed respectively by IEC 61010-2-030 and IEC 61010-2-032. The relevant definitions have been removed.
- b) Subclause 4.4.2.101 has been relocated into Clause 102.
- c) CLEARANCES and CREEPAGE DISTANCES for WET LOCATIONS and for measuring circuit TERMINALS exceeding 1 000 V a.c. or 1 414 V d.c. have been specified.
- d) Subclause 14.101 related to "Circuits or components used as TRANSIENT OVERVOLTAGE limiting devices in measuring circuits used to measure MAINS" has been removed.
- e) References to IEC 61010-031 for probe assemblies and IEC 61010-2-032 for current sensors have been added.
- f) Requirements for protection against MAINS overvoltage measuring circuits have been added.
- g) Clause 102 has been rewritten.
- h) Requirements for measuring circuits from 1 000 V to 3 000 V have been added.
- i) An informative Annex CC about dimensions of 4-mm banana TERMINALS has been added.
- j) A flowchart for insulation according to the type of circuit has been added in a new Annex DD.

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

FDIS	Report on voting
66/692/FDIS	66/694/RVD

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

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

A list of all the parts in the IEC 61010 series, published under the general title *Safety requirements for electrical equipment for measurement, control, and laboratory use*, can be found on the IEC website.

This Part 2-033 is to be used in conjunction with the latest edition of IEC 61010-1. It was established on the basis of the third edition (2010) of IEC 61010-1 and its Amendment 1 (2016), hereinafter referred to as Part 1.

This Part 2-033 supplements or modifies the corresponding clauses in IEC 61010-1 so as to convert that publication into the IEC standard: *Particular requirements for hand-held multimeters for domestic and professional use, capable of measuring MAINS voltage*.

Where a particular subclause of Part 1 is not mentioned in this Part 2-033, that subclause applies as far as is reasonable. Where this Part 2-033 states "addition", "modification", "replacement", or "deletion", the relevant requirement, test specification or note in Part 1 should be adapted accordingly.

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- a) the following print types are used:
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  - *conformity and tests: in italic type;*
  - terms used throughout this standard which have been defined in Clause 3: SMALL ROMAN CAPITALS;
- b) subclauses, figures, tables and notes which are additional to those in Part 1 are numbered starting from 101. Additional annexes are lettered starting from AA and additional list items are lettered from aa).

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## INTRODUCTION

~~IEC 61010-1 specifies the safety requirements that are generally applicable to all equipment within its scope. For certain types of equipment, the requirements of IEC 61010-1 will be supplemented or modified by the special requirements of one, or more than one, particular part 2's of the standard which must be read in conjunction with the Part 1 requirements.~~

~~This Part 2-033 specifies the safety requirements for HAND HELD METERS that have a primary purpose of measuring voltage on a live MAINS CIRCUIT.~~

~~Part 2-032 specifies the safety requirements that are generally applicable to HAND HELD and hand-manipulated current sensors.~~

~~Part 2-030 specifies the safety requirements for testing and measuring circuits which are connected for test or measurement purposes to devices or circuits outside the measurement equipment itself.~~

~~VOLTMETER and similar equipment that are not within the scope of Part 2-033 are considered to be covered by the requirements of Part 2-030 or Part 2-032. But for equipment within the scopes of both Part 2-032 and Part 2-033, the two standards must be read in conjunction.~~

Part 2-030 specifies the safety requirements for equipment with testing and measuring circuits which are connected for test or measurement purposes to devices or circuits outside the measurement equipment itself. Requirements of Part 2-030 have been included in this Part 2-033. Equipment within the scopes of both Part 2-030 and Part 2-033 are considered to be covered by the requirements of this Part 2-033.

Part 2-032 specifies the safety requirements for hand-held and hand-manipulated current sensors. For equipment within the scope of Part 2-032 and Part 2-033, only Part 2-032 is applicable.

Part 2-034 specifies the safety requirements for measurement equipment for insulation resistance and test equipment for electric strength which are connected to units, lines or circuits for test or measurement purposes. For equipment within the scope of Part 2-033 and Part 2-034, only Part 2-034 is applicable.



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#### 1 Scope and object

This clause of Part 1 is applicable except as follows:

##### 1.1.1 Equipment included in scope

*Replace the existing text with the following:*

~~This part of IEC 61010 specifies safety requirements for METERS.~~

~~The METERS that have a primary purpose of measuring voltage on a live MAINS CIRCUIT are within the scope of this standard. They have various names, but all of them have capability for measurements of voltages on a live MAINS CIRCUIT. Some of the names given to this equipment are as follows:~~

- ~~— MULTIMETER;~~
- ~~— digital MULTIMETER;~~
- ~~— VOLTMETER;~~
- ~~— clamp METER (see also Part 2-032).~~

~~For the purpose of this standard, the term METER is used for these HAND-HELD measuring instruments.~~

~~NOTE Parts of the equipment that are not within the scope of this Part 2-033 are considered to be covered by the requirements of Part 1 or other part 2's of IEC 61010 and then will also need to meet the requirements of these other parts.~~

This part of IEC 61010 specifies safety requirements for hand-held multimeters for domestic and professional use, capable of measuring MAINS.

Hand-held multimeters are multi-range multifunction measuring instruments intended to measure voltage and other electrical quantities such as resistance or current. Their primary purpose is to measure voltage on a live MAINS. They are suitable to be supported by one hand during NORMAL USE.

##### 1.1.2 Equipment excluded from scope

*Add the following new item to the list and the following paragraph:*

- aa) IEC 61557-1 to IEC 61557-12, *Electrical safety in low voltage distribution systems up to 1 000 V a.c. and 1 500 V d.c. – Equipment for testing, measuring or monitoring of protective measures*

*Addition:*

~~Add the two following paragraphs at the end of the subclause:~~

~~Equipment that is not capable of measuring MAINS voltages is not within the scope of this Part 2-033. See IEC 61010-2-030 for requirements pertaining to such equipment.~~

~~Such equipment, including other~~ HAND-HELD EQUIPMENT such as oscilloscopes, wattmeters, process control multimeters not RATED for measuring voltage on a live MAINS, clamp multimeters and communications test sets ~~is~~ are not within the scope of this document.

### 1.2.1 Aspects included in scope

Add the following *two new paragraphs* at the end of the subclause:

Requirements for protection against HAZARDS resulting from NORMAL USE and REASONABLY FORESEEABLE MISUSE of measuring circuits are given in Clause 101.

Requirements for reliance on the displayed value are given in Clause 102.

## 2 Normative references

This clause of Part 1 is applicable except as follows:

*Replace "IEC 61010-031" with the following new reference:*

IEC 61010-031:2015, *Safety requirements for electrical equipment for measurement, control, and laboratory use – Part 031: Safety requirements for hand-held and hand-manipulated probe assemblies for electrical test and measurement*  
IEC 61010-031:2015/AMD1:2018

*Replace "IEC 61180-1 (all parts)", "IEC 61180-1" and "IEC 61180-2", with the following new reference:*

IEC 61180, *High-voltage test techniques for low-voltage equipment – Definitions, test and procedure requirements, test equipment*

*Add the following new normative reference:*

IEC 61010-2-032, *Safety requirements for electrical equipment for measurement, control, and laboratory use – Part 2-032: Particular requirements for hand-held and hand-manipulated current sensors for electrical test and measurement*

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This second edition cancels and replaces the first edition published in 2012. This edition constitutes a technical revision.

This edition includes the following significant technical changes with respect to the previous edition:

- a) The scope has been reduced to hand-held multimeters. Voltmeters and clamp multimeters have been removed. They are addressed respectively by IEC 61010-2-030 and IEC 61010-2-032. The relevant definitions have been removed.
- b) Subclause 4.4.2.101 has been relocated into Clause 102.

- c) CLEARANCES and CREEPAGE DISTANCES for WET LOCATIONS and for measuring circuit TERMINALS exceeding 1 000 V a.c. or 1 414 V d.c. have been specified.
- d) Subclause 14.101 related to "Circuits or components used as TRANSIENT OVERVOLTAGE limiting devices in measuring circuits used to measure MAINS" has been removed.
- e) References to IEC 61010-031 for probe assemblies and IEC 61010-2-032 for current sensors have been added.
- f) Requirements for protection against MAINS overvoltage measuring circuits have been added.
- g) Clause 102 has been rewritten.
- h) Requirements for measuring circuits from 1 000 V to 3 000 V have been added.
- i) An informative Annex CC about dimensions of 4-mm banana TERMINALS has been added.
- j) A flowchart for insulation according to the type of circuit has been added in a new Annex DD.

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 International Standard can be found in the report on voting indicated in the above table.

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

A list of all the parts in the IEC 61010 series, published under the general title *Safety requirements for electrical equipment for measurement, control, and laboratory use*, can be found on the IEC website.

This Part 2-033 is to be used in conjunction with the latest edition of IEC 61010-1. It was established on the basis of the third edition (2010) of IEC 61010-1 and its Amendment 1 (2016), hereinafter referred to as Part 1.

This Part 2-033 supplements or modifies the corresponding clauses in IEC 61010-1 so as to convert that publication into the IEC standard: *Particular requirements for hand-held multimeters for domestic and professional use, capable of measuring MAINS voltage*.

Where a particular subclause of Part 1 is not mentioned in this Part 2-033, that subclause applies as far as is reasonable. Where this Part 2-033 states "addition", "modification", "replacement", or "deletion", the relevant requirement, test specification or note in Part 1 should be adapted accordingly.

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  - terms used throughout this standard which have been defined in Clause 3: SMALL ROMAN CAPITALS;
- b) subclauses, figures, tables and notes which are additional to those in Part 1 are numbered starting from 101. Additional annexes are lettered starting from AA and additional list items are lettered from aa).

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## INTRODUCTION

Part 2-030 specifies the safety requirements for equipment with testing and measuring circuits which are connected for test or measurement purposes to devices or circuits outside the measurement equipment itself. Requirements of Part 2-030 have been included in this Part 2-033. Equipment within the scopes of both Part 2-030 and Part 2-033 are considered to be covered by the requirements of this Part 2-033.

Part 2-032 specifies the safety requirements for hand-held and hand-manipulated current sensors. For equipment within the scope of Part 2-032 and Part 2-033, only Part 2-032 is applicable.

Part 2-034 specifies the safety requirements for measurement equipment for insulation resistance and test equipment for electric strength which are connected to units, lines or circuits for test or measurement purposes. For equipment within the scope of Part 2-033 and Part 2-034, only Part 2-034 is applicable.

## SAFETY REQUIREMENTS FOR ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT FOR MEASUREMENT, CONTROL, AND LABORATORY USE –

### Part 2-033: Particular requirements for hand-held multimeters for domestic and professional use, capable of measuring MAINS voltage

#### 1 Scope and object

This clause of Part 1 is applicable except as follows:

##### 1.1.1 Equipment included in scope

*Replace the existing text with the following:*

This part of IEC 61010 specifies safety requirements for hand-held multimeters for domestic and professional use, capable of measuring MAINS.

Hand-held multimeters are multi-range multifunction measuring instruments intended to measure voltage and other electrical quantities such as resistance or current. Their primary purpose is to measure voltage on a live MAINS. They are suitable to be supported by one hand during NORMAL USE.

##### 1.1.2 Equipment excluded from scope

*Add the following new item to the list and the following paragraph:*

- aa) IEC 61557-1 to IEC 61557-12, *Electrical safety in low voltage distribution systems up to 1 000 V a.c. and 1 500 V d.c. – Equipment for testing, measuring or monitoring of protective measures*

HAND-HELD EQUIPMENT such as oscilloscopes, wattmeters, process control multimeters not RATED for measuring voltage on a live MAINS, clamp multimeters and communications test sets are not within the scope of this document.

##### 1.2.1 Aspects included in scope

*Add the following two new paragraphs at the end of the subclause:*

Requirements for protection against HAZARDS resulting from NORMAL USE and REASONABLY FORESEEABLE MISUSE of measuring circuits are given in Clause 101.

Requirements for reliance on the displayed value are given in Clause 102.

#### 2 Normative references

This clause of Part 1 is applicable except as follows:

*Replace "IEC 61010-031" with the following new reference:*

IEC 61010-031:2015, *Safety requirements for electrical equipment for measurement, control, and laboratory use – Part 031: Safety requirements for hand-held and hand-manipulated probe assemblies for electrical test and measurement*  
IEC 61010-031:2015/AMD1:2018

*Replace "IEC 61180-1 (all parts)", "IEC 61180-1" and "IEC 61180-2", with the following new reference:*

*IEC 61180, High-voltage test techniques for low-voltage equipment – Definitions, test and procedure requirements, test equipment*

*Add the following new normative reference:*

*IEC 61010-2-032, Safety requirements for electrical equipment for measurement, control, and laboratory use – Part 2-032: Particular requirements for hand-held and hand-manipulated current sensors for electrical test and measurement*