

Svenska Elektriska Kommissionen, SEK

Fastställt	Utgåva	Sida	Ingår i
2004-06-28	2	1 (1+25)	SEK Område 23

© Copyright SEK. Reproduction in any form without permission is prohibited.

## Kopplingsmateriel för lågspänningsinstallationer i bostäder och liknande – Del 1: Allmänna fordringar

*Connecting devices for low-voltage circuits for household and similar purposes –  
Part 1: General requirements*

Som svensk standard gäller europastandarden EN 60998-1:2004. Den svenska standarden innehåller den officiella engelska språkversionen av EN 60998-1:2004.

### Nationellt förord

Europastandarden EN 60998-1:2004

består av:

- **europastandardens ikraftsättningsdokument**, utarbetat inom CENELEC
- **IEC 60998-1, Second edition, 2002 - Connecting devices for low-voltage circuits for household and similar purposes - Part 1: General requirements**

utarbetad inom International Electrotechnical Commission, IEC.

Tidigare fastställd svensk standard SS-EN 60998-1, utgåva 1, 1994 och SS-EN 60998-1/A1, utgåva 1, 2001, gäller ej fr o m 2007-03-01.

### *Standarder underlättar utvecklingen och höjer elsäkerheten*

Det finns många fördelar med att ha gemensamma tekniska regler för bl a säkerhet, prestanda, dokumentation, utförande och skötsel av elprodukter, elanläggningar och metoder. Genom att utforma sådana standarder blir säkerhetskraven tydliga och utvecklingskostnaderna rimliga samtidigt som marknadens acceptans för produkten eller tjänsten ökar.

Många standarder inom elområdet beskriver tekniska lösningar och metoder som åstadkommer den elsäkerhet som föreskrivs av svenska myndigheter och av EU.

### *SEK är Sveriges röst i standardiseringsarbetet inom elområdet*

Svenska Elektriska Kommissionen, SEK, svarar för standardiseringen inom elområdet i Sverige och samordnar svensk medverkan i internationell och europeisk standardisering. SEK är en ideell organisation med frivilligt deltagande från svenska myndigheter, företag och organisationer som vill medverka till och påverka utformningen av tekniska regler inom elektrotekniken.

SEK samordnar svenska intressenters medverkan i SEKs tekniska kommittéer och stödjer svenska experters medverkan i internationella och europeiska projekt.

### *Stora delar av arbetet sker internationellt*

Utformningen av standarder sker i allt väsentligt i internationellt och europeiskt samarbete. SEK är svensk nationalkommitté av International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC) och Comité Européen de Normalisation Electrotechnique (CENELEC).

Standardiseringsarbetet inom SEK är organiserat i referensgrupper bestående av ett antal tekniska kommittéer som speglar hur arbetet inom IEC och CENELEC är organiserat.

Arbetet i de tekniska kommittéerna är öppet för alla svenska organisationer, företag, institutioner, myndigheter och statliga verk. Den årliga avgiften för deltagandet och intäkter från försäljning finansierar SEKs standardiseringsverksamhet och medlemsavgift till IEC och CENELEC.

### *Var med och påverka!*

Den som deltar i SEKs tekniska kommittéarbete har möjlighet att påverka framtida standarder och får tidig tillgång till information och dokumentation om utvecklingen inom sitt teknikområde. Arbetet och kontakterna med kollegor, kunder och konkurrenter kan gynnsamt påverka enskilda företags affärsutveckling och bidrar till deltagarnas egen kompetensutveckling.

Du som vill dra nytta av dessa möjligheter är välkommen att kontakta SEKs kansli för mer information.

#### **SEK**

Box 1284  
164 29 Kista  
Tel 08-444 14 00  
[www.sekom.se](http://www.sekom.se)

English version

**Connecting devices for low-voltage circuits  
for household and similar purposes  
Part 1: General requirements  
(IEC 60998-1:2002, modified)**

Dispositifs de connexion  
pour circuits basse tension  
pour usage domestique et analogue  
Partie 1: Règles générales  
(CEI 60998-1:2002, modifiée)

Verbindungsmaterial  
für Niederspannungs-Stromkreise  
für Haushalt und ähnliche Zwecke  
Teil 1: Allgemeine Anforderungen  
(IEC 60998-1:2002, modifiziert)

This European Standard was approved by CENELEC on 2004-03-01. CENELEC members are bound to comply with the CEN/CENELEC Internal Regulations which stipulate the conditions for giving this European Standard the status of a national standard without any alteration.

Up-to-date lists and bibliographical references concerning such national standards may be obtained on application to the Central Secretariat or to any CENELEC member.

This European Standard exists in three official versions (English, French, German). A version in any other language made by translation under the responsibility of a CENELEC member into its own language and notified to the Central Secretariat has the same status as the official versions.

CENELEC members are the national electrotechnical committees of Austria, Belgium, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland and United Kingdom.

# CENELEC

European Committee for Electrotechnical Standardization  
Comité Européen de Normalisation Electrotechnique  
Europäisches Komitee für Elektrotechnische Normung

**Central Secretariat: rue de Stassart 35, B - 1050 Brussels**



## Annex ZA (normative)

### Normative references to international publications with their corresponding European publications

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.

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

<u>Publication</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>EN/HD</u>	<u>Year</u>
IEC 60068-2-32	1975	Basic environmental testing procedures Part 2: Tests - Test Ed: Free fall (Procedure 1)	EN 60068-2-32 <sup>1)</sup>	1993
IEC 60068-2-75	1997	Part 2-75: Tests - Test Eh: Hammer tests	EN 60068-2-75	1997
IEC 60112	1979	Method for determining the comparative and the proof tracking indices of solid insulating materials under moist conditions	HD 214 S2 <sup>2)</sup>	1980
IEC 60228 (mod)	1978	Conductors of insulated cables - First supplement: Guide to the dimensional limits of circular conductors	HD 383 S2 <sup>3)</sup>	1986
IEC 60344	1980	Guide to the calculation of resistance of plain and coated copper conductors of low-frequency cables and wires	-	-
IEC 60529	1989	Degrees of protection provided by enclosures (IP Code)	EN 60529 + corr. May	1991 1993
IEC 60695-2-10	2000	Fire hazard testing Part 2-10: Glowing/hot-wire based test methods - Glow-wire apparatus and common test procedure	EN 60695-2-10	2001
IEC 60695-10-2	1995 <sup>4)</sup>	Part 10-2: Guidance and test methods for the minimization of the effects of abnormal heat on electrotechnical products involved in fires - Method for testing products made from non-metallic materials for resistance to heat using the ball pressure test	-	-

<sup>1)</sup> EN 60068-2-32:1993 includes A2:1990 to IEC 60068-2-32:1975.

<sup>2)</sup> HD 214 S2:1980 is superseded by EN 60112:2003, which is based on IEC 60112:2003.

<sup>3)</sup> HD 383 S2:1986 is based on IEC 60228:1978 + supplement A:1982, modified.

<sup>4)</sup> IEC 60695-10-2 is superseded by IEC 60695-10-2:2003, which is harmonized as EN 60695-10-2:2003.

<u>Publication</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>EN/HD</u>	<u>Year</u>
IEC 61032	1997	Protection of persons and equipment by enclosures - Probes for verification	EN 61032	1998
ISO 1456	1988	Metallic coatings - Electrodeposited coatings of nickel plus chromium and of copper plus nickel plus chromium	-	-
ISO 2081	1986	Metallic coatings - Electroplated coatings of zinc on iron or steel	-	-
ISO 2093	1986	Electroplated coatings of tin - Specification and test methods	-	-

[Redacted]

[Redacted]

[Redacted]

[Redacted]

[Redacted]

[Redacted]

[Redacted]

[Redacted]

[Redacted]

## CONTENTS

1	Scope .....	9
2	Normative references .....	9
3	Terms and definitions .....	11
4	General .....	15
5	General notes on tests .....	15
6	Main characteristics .....	15
7	Classification .....	17
8	Marking .....	17
9	Protection against electric shock .....	19
10	Connection of conductors .....	21
11	Construction .....	21
12	Resistance to ageing, to humidity conditions, to ingress of solid objects and to harmful ingress of water .....	23
13	Insulation resistance and electric strength .....	27
14	Mechanical strength .....	29
15	Temperature rise .....	33
16	Resistance to heat .....	35
17	Clearances and creepage distances .....	37
18	Resistance of insulating material to abnormal heat and fire .....	39
19	Resistance of insulating material to tracking .....	41
20	EMC requirements .....	41
	Annex A (informative) Schematic presentation of connecting devices as a basis for the definitions .....	45
	Annex B (informative) Approximate relationship between conductors of cross- sectional areas in square millimeters and American Wire Gauge (AWG) sizes as used in North America .....	47
	Figure 1 – Single terminal device .....	43
	Figure 2 – Multiway terminal device .....	43
	Table 1 – Relationship between rated insulation voltage and test voltage .....	29
	Table 2 – Relationship between rated connecting capacity and test current .....	35
	Table 3 – Clearances and creepage distances .....	37
	Table B.1 – Wire size, mm <sup>2</sup> versus AWG .....	47

# CONNECTING DEVICES FOR LOW-VOLTAGE CIRCUITS FOR HOUSEHOLD AND SIMILAR PURPOSES –

## Part 1: General requirements

### 1 Scope

This part of IEC 60998 applies to connecting devices as separate entities for the connection of two or more electrical copper conductors (complying with IEC 60228 or IEC 60344) rigid (solid or stranded) or flexible, having a cross-sectional area of 0,2 mm<sup>2</sup> up to and including 35 mm<sup>2</sup> and equivalent AWG conductors with a rated voltage not exceeding 1 000 V a.c. up to and including 1 000 Hz and 1 500 V d.c. where electrical energy is used for household and similar purposes.

NOTE Rated connecting capacities lower than 0,5 mm<sup>2</sup> are referred to IEC 60344 and rated connecting capacities equal to, or higher than, 0,5 mm<sup>2</sup> are referred to IEC 60228.

Connecting devices that require the use of special tools other than for twist-on connecting devices and insulation piercing connecting devices do not comply with this standard.

This standard contains the general requirements to be used together with the relevant Part 2, containing detailed particular requirements for

- devices with screw-type clamping units (IEC 60998-2-1);
- devices with screwless-type clamping units (IEC 60998-2-2);
- devices with insulation piercing clamping units (IEC 60998-2-3);
- devices with twist-on connecting devices (IEC 60998-2-4);
- devices with connecting boxes (junction and/or tapping) (IEC 60998-2-5).

### 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 60068-2-32:1975, *Basic environmental testing procedures – Part 2: Tests – Test Ed: Free fall*

IEC 60068-2-75:1997, *Environmental testing – Part 2: Tests – Test Eh: Hammer tests*

IEC 60112:1979, *Method for determining the comparative and the proof tracking indices of solid insulating materials under moist conditions*

IEC 60228:1978, *Conductors of insulated cables*  
Amendment 1 (1993)

IEC 60344:1980, *Guide to the calculation of resistance of plain and coated copper conductors of low-frequency cables and wires*