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Part 1: General requirements

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- c) Term "fuses for authorized and unskilled persons" updated;
- d) Replacement of fuse-link added;
- e) Standard values for AC and DC voltages updated;
- f) Rated currents 425A, 355A, and 1 600A added;
- g) Marking: requirements and tests separated to the relevant subclauses;
- h) Requirements for temperature rise limited to terminal temperature rise only;
- i) Graphic symbol for fuse-base updated,

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- Part 3: Supplementary requirements for fuses for use by unskilled persons (fuses mainly for household or similar application) – Examples of standardized systems of fuses A to F
- Part 4: Supplementary requirements for fuse-links for the protection of semiconductor devices
- Part 5: Guidance for the application of low-voltage fuses
- Part 6: Supplementary requirements for fuse-links for the protection of solar photovoltaic energy systems
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~~INTRODUCTION~~

~~A reorganization of the different parts of the IEC 60269 series has been carried out, in order to simplify its use, especially by the laboratories which test the fuses.~~

~~IEC 60269-1, IEC 60269-2, IEC 60269-3 and IEC 60269-3-1 have been integrated into either the new part 1 or the new parts 2 or 3, according to the subjects considered, so that the clauses which deal exclusively with “fuses for authorized persons” are separated from the clauses dealing with “fuses for unauthorized persons”.~~

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LOW-VOLTAGE FUSES –

Part 1: General requirements

~~1~~ **General**

1 ~~Scope and object~~

This part of IEC 60269 is applicable to fuses incorporating enclosed current-limiting fuse-links with rated breaking capacities of not less than 6 kA, intended for protecting power-frequency AC circuits of nominal voltages not exceeding 1 000 V or DC circuits of nominal voltages not exceeding 1 500 V.

Subsequent parts of this standard, referred to herein, cover supplementary requirements for such fuses intended for specific conditions of use or applications.

Fuse-links intended to be included in fuse-switch combinations according to IEC 60947-3 should also comply with the following requirements.

As far as not stated in subsequent parts for fuse-links, details of performance (see 3.2.4) on DC circuits should be stated in the manufacturer's literature.

~~NOTE 1 – For "a" fuse-links, details of performance (see 2.2.4) on d.c. circuits should be subject to agreement between user and manufacturer.~~

NOTE 21 Modifications of, and supplements to, this document required for certain types of fuses for particular applications – for example, certain fuses for rolling stock, or fuses for high-frequency circuits – will be covered, if necessary, by separate standards.

NOTE 32 This document does not apply to miniature fuses, these being covered by IEC 60127.

The object of this standard series is to establish the characteristics of fuses or parts of fuses (fuse-base, fuse-carrier, fuse-link) in such a way that they can be replaced by other fuses or parts of fuses having the same characteristics provided that they are interchangeable as far as their dimensions are concerned. For this purpose, this standard series refers in particular to

- the following characteristics of fuses:
 - rated values;
 - insulation;
 - temperature rise in normal service;
 - power dissipation and acceptable power dissipation;
 - time/current characteristics;
 - breaking capacity;
 - cut-off current characteristics and their I^2t characteristics.
- type test for verification of the characteristics of fuses;
- the marking of fuses.

2 Normative references

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~~IEC 60038:1983, IEC standard voltages~~

~~IEC 60050(441):1984, International Electrotechnical Vocabulary (IEV) — Chapter 441: Switchgear, controlgear and fuses
Amendment 1 (2000)~~

~~IEC 60228:2004, Conductors of insulated cables~~

IEC 60269-2, Low-voltage fuses – Part 2: Supplementary requirements for fuses for use by authorized persons (fuses mainly for industrial application) – Examples of standardized systems of fuses A to ~~H~~ K

~~IEC 60269-3, Low-voltage fuses — Part 3: Supplementary requirements for fuses for use by unskilled persons (fuses mainly for household or similar application) — Examples of standardized systems of fuses A to F~~

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LOW-VOLTAGE FUSES –

Part 1: General requirements

1 Scope

This part of IEC 60269 is applicable to fuses incorporating enclosed current-limiting fuse-links with rated breaking capacities of not less than 6 kA, intended for protecting power-frequency AC circuits of nominal voltages not exceeding 1 000 V or DC circuits of nominal voltages not exceeding 1 500 V.

Subsequent parts of this standard, referred to herein, cover supplementary requirements for such fuses intended for specific conditions of use or applications.

Fuse-links intended to be included in fuse-switch combinations according to IEC 60947-3 should also comply with the following requirements.

As far as not stated in subsequent parts for fuse-links, details of performance (see 3.2.4) on DC circuits should be stated in the manufacturer's literature.

NOTE 1 Modifications of, and supplements to, this document required for certain types of fuses for particular applications – for example, certain fuses for rolling stock, or fuses for high-frequency circuits – will be covered, if necessary, by separate standards.

NOTE 2 This document does not apply to miniature fuses, these being covered by IEC 60127.

The object of this standard series is to establish the characteristics of fuses or parts of fuses (fuse-base, fuse-carrier, fuse-link) in such a way that they can be replaced by other fuses or parts of fuses having the same characteristics provided that they are interchangeable as far as their dimensions are concerned. For this purpose, this standard series refers in particular to

- the following characteristics of fuses:
 - rated values;
 - insulation;
 - temperature rise in normal service;
 - power dissipation and acceptable power dissipation;
 - time/current characteristics;
 - breaking capacity;
 - cut-off current characteristics and their I^2t characteristics.
- type test for verification of the characteristics of fuses;
- the marking of fuses.

2 Normative references

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Partie 1: Exigences générales

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Cette édition inclut les modifications techniques majeures suivantes par rapport à l'édition précédente:

- a) nouvelle numérotation, corrections rédactionnelles et références normatives mises à jour;
- b) le terme "discrimination" a été remplacé par "selectivity" en anglais (aucune incidence sur le terme français "sélectivité") et le terme "catégorie d'emploi" a été remplacé par "classe d'emploi";
- c) le terme "fusibles destinés à être utilisés par des personnes habilitées et non qualifiées" a été mis à jour;
- d) le paragraphe "Remplacement des éléments de remplacement" a été ajouté;
- e) les valeurs normalisées pour les tensions en courant alternatif et en courant continu ont été mises à jour;
- f) les valeurs de courant assigné 425A, 355A et 1 600A ont été ajoutées;
- g) marquages: les exigences et les essais ont été séparés dans les paragraphes appropriés;
- h) les exigences relatives à l'échauffement se limitent à l'échauffement des bornes uniquement;
- i) le symbole graphique pour le socle a été mis à jour.

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Projet	Rapport de vote
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- Partie 1: Exigences générales
- Partie 2: Exigences supplémentaires pour les fusibles destinés à être utilisés par des personnes habilitées (fusibles pour usages essentiellement industriels) – Exemples de systèmes de fusibles normalisés A à I
- Partie 3: Exigences supplémentaires pour les fusibles destinés à être utilisés par des personnes non qualifiées (fusibles pour usages essentiellement domestiques et analogues) – Exemples de systèmes de fusibles normalisés A à F
- Partie 4: Exigences supplémentaires concernant les éléments de remplacement utilisés pour la protection des dispositifs à semiconducteurs
- Partie 5: Lignes directrices pour l'application des fusibles basse tension
- Partie 6: Exigences supplémentaires concernant les éléments de remplacement utilisés pour la protection des systèmes d'énergie solaire photovoltaïque
- Partie 7: Fusibles pour batteries

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FUSIBLES BASSE TENSION –

Partie 1: Exigences générales

1 Domaine d'application

La présente partie de l'IEC 60269 s'applique aux fusibles qui incorporent des éléments de remplacement limiteurs de courant à fusion enfermée dont le pouvoir de coupure assigné est supérieur ou égal à 6 kA, destinés à assurer la protection des circuits à courant alternatif à fréquence industrielle dont la tension nominale ne dépasse pas 1 000 V ou des circuits à courant continu dont la tension nominale ne dépasse pas 1 500 V.

Les autres parties de la présente norme, citées dans le présent document, établissent des exigences supplémentaires pour les fusibles destinés à des conditions d'utilisation ou des applications spécifiques.

Il convient que les éléments de remplacement destinés à être utilisés dans des combinaisons fusibles/interrupteurs selon l'IEC 60947-3 respectent également les exigences suivantes.

Sauf indication contraire dans les autres parties relatives aux éléments de remplacement, il convient d'indiquer les caractéristiques de fonctionnement (voir le 3.2.4) sur les circuits à courant continu dans la documentation technique du fabricant.

NOTE 1 Les modifications et compléments au présent document, exigés pour certains types de fusibles destinés à des applications particulières – par exemple, fusibles destinés au matériel roulant ou aux circuits à haute fréquence – sont traités dans des normes distinctes, si nécessaire.

NOTE 2 Le présent document ne s'applique pas aux fusibles miniatures, qui sont couverts par l'IEC 60127.

Cette série de normes a pour objet d'établir les caractéristiques des fusibles ou de leurs parties (socle, porte-élément de remplacement, élément de remplacement) de sorte qu'ils puissent être remplacés par d'autres fusibles ou parties de fusibles possédant les mêmes caractéristiques, sous réserve qu'ils soient interchangeables du point de vue de leurs dimensions. À cette fin, cette série de normes traite en particulier des points suivants:

- les caractéristiques suivantes des fusibles:
 - valeurs assignées;
 - isolement;
 - échauffement en service normal;
 - puissance dissipée et puissance dissipée acceptable;
 - caractéristiques temps/courant;
 - pouvoir de coupure;
 - caractéristiques de courant coupé limité et caractéristiques I^2t ;
- un essai de type destiné à vérifier les caractéristiques des fusibles;
- le marquage des fusibles.

2 Références normatives

Les documents suivants sont cités dans le texte de sorte qu'ils constituent, pour tout ou partie de leur contenu, des exigences du présent document. Pour les références datées, seule l'édition citée s'applique. Pour les références non datées, la dernière édition du document de référence s'applique (y compris les éventuels amendements).

IEC 60269-2, *Fusibles basse tension – Partie 2: Exigences supplémentaires pour les fusibles destinés à être utilisés par des personnes habilitées (fusibles pour usages essentiellement industriels) – Exemples de systèmes de fusibles normalisés A à K*

IEC 60529, *Degrés de protection procurés par les enveloppes (Code IP)*

IEC 60584-1:2013, *Couples thermoélectriques – Partie 1: Spécifications et tolérances en matière de FEM*

IEC 60617, *Symboles graphiques pour schémas*

IEC 60664-1:2002, *Coordination de l'isolement des matériels dans les réseaux d'énergie électrique à basse tension – Partie 1: Principes, exigences et essais*