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INTRODUCTION

In consideration of global discussion on reducing e-waste and improving re-usability of power supplies, this Technical Specification addresses the common electro-mechanical characteristics for AC adapters used with a specified array of notebook computers.

In the current market, hundreds of millions of notebook computers are shipped every year with AC adapters which can typically be shared between generations of OEM notebook computers. A wide range of notebook computers are designed to meet unique market requirements and specific purposes. Each AC adapter is tuned and designed to optimally satisfy the requirements and specifications of the target notebook computers.

Specific combinations of OEM supplied AC adapters and notebook computers are tested and certified as a system in compliance with existing regulations and standards. Failing combinations are not shipped by the OEM to the consumer. This approach promotes consumer satisfaction, safety, and product reliability, while reducing the encroachment of poorly designed or manufactured aftermarket substitutes which may affect the operation of the notebook computer in compliance with regulatory requirements. Additionally, arbitrary combinations of AC adapters and notebook computers have been known to present functional and regulatory safety and EMC compliance issues for the notebook computer. These risks should be considered in any development or adoption of specifications for common AC adapters.

The objective of a common DC power supply is to support global interoperability of adapters for a specific range of notebook computers. This Technical Specification describes design considerations for the common adapters and identifies technical areas that require further development for interoperability with existing notebook computer technologies. The open technical and regulatory compliance issues identified within this Technical Specification which affect both AC adapters and the host notebook computers should be resolved before this specification can be considered as a normative within other standards or regulatory policies and before IEC standardization of the subject matter can be completed.

This Technical Specification also identifies important considerations required to maintain the high standard of safety, compliance and performance expected by users of notebook computers and global regulatory agencies.

The development of this Technical Specification is described in Annex A. Annexes C, D and E describe additional important areas which are required to be resolved in further standardization work.

The objective for future IEC standardization work will be to complete the development of the technical specifications which incorporates considerations for consumer safety, product reliability, system performance, regulatory compliance and technical innovations.

DC POWER SUPPLY FOR NOTEBOOK COMPUTERS

1 Scope

This Technical Specification states the minimum requirements for DC power supply for notebook computers. Specifically, it gives

– an electrical specification (performance characteristics),

– an ID pin method,

– a connector for DC power output.

The no-load power and power efficiency are outside the scope of this Technical Specification.

Note that safety requirements are covered by IEC 60950-1 and EMC requirements are covered by CISPR 22 and CISPR 24. CISPR 32 may be used in place of CISPR 22 for this purpose. These requirements are neither re-stated nor challenged by this Technical Specification but the designer should give due consideration to the performance of the power supply when used with a compatible notebook computer.

NOTE Applications for use in aerospace, military, medical, or smart grid are not addressed in this Technical Specification.

2 Normative references

The following documents, in whole or in part, are normatively referenced in this document and are indispensable for its application. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

IEC 60950-1:2005, *Information technology equipment – Safety – Part 1: General requirements*
Amendment 1:2009
Amendment 2:2013

IEC 61076-2-102, *Connectors for electronic equipment – Part 2-102: Circular connectors with assessed quality – Detail specification for plugs and jacks for external low voltage power supply*

IEC 61204:1993, *Low-voltage power supply devices, d.c. output – Performance characteristics*

Amendment 1:2001

CISPR 22, *Information technology equipment – Radio disturbance characteristics – Limits and methods of measurement*

CISPR 24, *Information technology equipment – Immunity characteristics – Limits and methods of measurement*

CISPR 32, *Electromagnetic compatibility of multimedia equipment – Emission requirements*