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**Communication networks and systems in substations  
Part 3: General requirements**
**1 Scope and object**

This part of IEC 61850 applies to substation automation systems (SAS). It defines the communication between intelligent electronic devices (IEDs) in the substation and the related system requirements.

The specifications of this part pertain to the general requirements of the communication network, with emphasis on the quality requirements. It also deals with guidelines for environmental conditions and auxiliary services, with recommendations on the relevance of specific requirements from other standards and specifications.

**2 Normative references**

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IEC 60654-4:1987, *Operating conditions for industrial-process measurement and control equipment – Part 4: Corrosive and erosive influences*

~~IEC 60694:1996, Common specifications for high-voltage switchgear and controlgear standards~~

AS 2650, *Common specifications for high-voltage switchgear and controlgear standards*

~~IEC 60870-2-1:1995, Telecontrol equipment and systems – Part 2: Operating conditions – Section 2: Power supply and electromagnetic compatibility~~

AS 60870.2.1, *Telecontrol equipment and systems, Part 2.1: Operating conditions—Power supply and electromagnetic compatibility (identical to IEC 60870-2-1)*

IEC 60870-2-2:1996, *Telecontrol equipment and systems – Part 2: Operating conditions – Section 2: Environmental conditions (climatic, mechanical and other non-electrical influences)*

~~IEC 60870-4:1990, Telecontrol equipment and systems – Part 4: Performance requirements~~