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## Preface

This Standard was prepared by the Standards Australia Committee EL-007, Power Switchgear, to supersede AS 62271.100—2008, *High-voltage switchgear and controlgear, Part 100: High-voltage alternating-current circuit-breakers (IEC 62271-100, Ed. 1.2 (2006) MOD)*.

The objective of this Standard is to specify the applications of a.c. circuit-breakers designed for indoor or outdoor installation and for operation at frequencies of 50 Hz and 60 Hz on systems having voltages above 1 000 V.

This Standard is only applicable to the following:

- (a) Three-pole circuit-breakers for use in three-phase systems and single-pole circuit-breakers for use in single-phase systems.
- (b) Operating devices of circuit-breakers and to their auxiliary equipment.
- (c) Direct testing.
- (d) Rules for circuit-breakers with an intentional non-simultaneity between the poles.
- (e) Circuit-breakers providing single-pole auto-reclosing.

This Standard does not cover the following:

- (i) Circuit-breaker with a closing mechanism for dependent manual operation.
- (ii) Circuit-breakers intended for use on motive power units of electrical traction equipment.
- (iii) Generator circuit-breakers installed between generator and step-up transformer.
- (iv) Self-tripping circuit-breakers with tripping devices that cannot be made inoperative during testing.
- (v) Circuit-breakers installed as by-pass switches in parallel with line series capacitors and their protective equipment.

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**This Final version does not show where the technical content is modified by amendments 1 and 2. A separate Redline version with all changes highlighted is available in this publication.**

International Standard IEC 62271-100 has been prepared by subcommittee 17A: High-voltage switchgear and controlgear, of IEC technical committee 17: Switchgear and controlgear.

The main changes with respect to the previous edition are listed below:

- the introduction of harmonised (IEC and IEEE) TRV waveshapes for rated voltages of 100 kV and above (amendment 1 to the first edition);
- the introduction of cable and line systems with their associated TRVs for rated voltages below 100 kV (amendment 2 to the first edition);
- the inclusion of IEC 61633 and IEC 62271-308.

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

This standard shall be read in conjunction with IEC 62271-1, first edition, published in 2007, to which it refers and which is applicable unless otherwise specified in this standard. In order to simplify the indication of corresponding requirements, the same numbering of clauses and subclauses is used as in IEC 62271-1. Amendments to these clauses and subclauses are given under the same references whilst additional subclauses are numbered from 101.

A list of all parts of IEC 62271 series, under the general title *High-voltage switchgear and controlgear* can be found on the IEC website.

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- reconfirmed,
- withdrawn,
- replaced by a revised edition, or
- amended.

The contents of the corrigenda of Amendment 1 (2012-12) and Amendment 2 (2018-01) have been included in this copy.

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## INTRODUCTION to the Amendment 2

This amendment includes the following significant technical changes:

the rated TRV has been replaced by a rated first-pole-to-clear factor;

- the rated time quantities have been moved to Clause 5 (Design and construction) and are no longer ratings. The determination of the break time has been moved to IEC 62271-306;
- the number of test specimens has been removed;
- new test procedure for test-duty T100a;
- TRVs for circuit-breakers having a rated voltage of 52 kV and below used in effectively earthed neutral systems have been added;
- 6.111 (capacitive current switching) has been rewritten;
- a number of informative annexes have been moved to IEC TR 62271-306.

## HIGH-VOLTAGE SWITCHGEAR AND CONTROLGEAR –

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#### 1 General

##### 1.1 Scope

This part of IEC 62271 is applicable to a.c. circuit-breakers designed for indoor or outdoor installation and for operation at frequencies of 50 Hz and 60 Hz on systems having voltages above 1 000 V.

It is only applicable to three-pole circuit-breakers for use in three-phase systems and single-pole circuit-breakers for use in single-phase systems. Two-pole circuit-breakers for use in single-phase systems and application at frequencies lower than 50 Hz are subject to agreement between manufacturer and user.

This standard is also applicable to the operating devices of circuit-breakers and to their auxiliary equipment. However, a circuit-breaker with a closing mechanism for dependent manual operation is not covered by this standard, as a rated short-circuit making-current cannot be specified, and such dependent manual operation may be objectionable because of safety considerations.

This standard only covers direct testing.

Rules for circuit-breakers with an intentional non-simultaneity between the poles are under consideration; circuit-breakers providing single-pole auto-reclosing are within the scope of this standard.

NOTE 1 Circuit-breakers with an intentional non-simultaneity between the poles may, in some instances, be tested in accordance with this standard. For example, mechanically staggered pole designs can be tested according to this standard using three-phase direct tests. For synthetic testing, determining the most appropriate tests, particularly in respect to test current, recovery voltage and transient recovery voltage, is subject to agreement between manufacturer and user.

This standard does not cover circuit-breakers intended for use on motive power units of electrical traction equipment; these are covered by IEC 60077 [1]<sup>1</sup>.

Generator circuit-breakers installed between generator and step-up transformer are not within the scope of this standard.

Switching of inductive loads is covered by IEC 62271-110.

This standard does not cover self-tripping circuit-breakers with tripping devices that cannot be made inoperative during testing.

Circuit-breakers installed as by-pass switches in parallel with line series capacitors and their protective equipment are not within the scope of this standard. These are covered by IEC 62271-109 [2] and IEC 60143-2 [3].

NOTE 2 Tests to prove the performance under abnormal conditions should be subject to agreement between manufacturer and user. Such abnormal conditions are, for instance, cases where the voltage is higher than the rated voltage of the circuit-breaker, conditions which may occur due to sudden loss of load on long lines or cables.

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<sup>1</sup> Figures in square brackets refer to the bibliography.