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PREFACE

This Standard was prepared by the Standards Australia Committee EL-007, Power Switchgear, to supersede AS 1306—1985, *High voltage a.c. switchgear and controlgear—Disconnectors (isolators) and earthing switches* and AS 4298—1995, *Gas-insulated metal-enclosed switchgear for rated voltages 72.5 kV and above—Requirements for switching of bus-charging currents by disconnectors*.

The objective of this Standard is to provide requirements for alternating current disconnectors and earthing switches, designed for indoor and outdoor enclosed and open terminal installations for voltages above 1000 V.

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AS 62271 Series	High-voltage switchgear and controlgear	Old AS Number
1	Common specifications	*AS 2650
100*	High-voltage alternating current circuit-breakers	AS 2006
102*	Alternating current disconnectors and earthing switches	AS 1306 and AS 4298
103	Switches for rated voltages above 1 kV and less than 52 kV	*AS/NZS 60265.1
104	Switches for rated voltages of 52 kV and above	*AS 60265.2
106	Alternating current contactors and contactor based motor-starters	*AS 2024
110	Inductive load switching	*AS 4372
200*	AC metal-enclosed switchgear and controlgear for rated voltages above 1 kV and up to and including 52 kV	AS 2086
201	AC insulation-enclosed switchgear and controlgear for rated voltages above 1 kV up to and including 38 kV	*AS 2264
202	High-voltage/low-voltage prefabricated substations	*AS 61330

AS 62271 Series	High-voltage switchgear and controlgear	Old AS Number
203*	Gas-insulated metal enclosed switchgear for rated voltages above 52 kV	AS 2263
301*	Dimensional standardization of terminals	AS 2395
303	Use and handling of sulphur hexafluoride (SF ₆) in high-voltage switchgear and controlgear	*AS 2791
304	Additional requirements for enclosed switchgear and controlgear from 1 kV to 72,5 kV to be used in severe climatic conditions	*AS 4243
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1 General**1.1 Scope**

This part of IEC 62271 applies to alternating current disconnectors and earthing switches, designed for indoor and outdoor enclosed and open terminal installation, for voltages above 1 000 V and for service frequencies up to and including 60 Hz.

It also applies to the operating devices of these disconnectors and earthing switches and their auxiliary equipment.

Additional requirements for disconnectors and earthing switches in enclosed switchgear and controlgear are given in IEC 60298, IEC 60466 and IEC 60517.

NOTE Disconnectors in which the fuse forms an integral part are not covered by this standard.

1.2 Normative references

Subclause 1.2 of IEC 60694 is applicable with the following additions:

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IEC 60137:1995, *Insulating bushings for alternating voltages above 1 000 V*

~~IEC 60265-1:1988, High-voltage switches – Part 1: Switches for rated voltages above 1 kV and less than 52 kV~~

AS/NZS 60265-1:2001, *High-voltage switches, Part 1: Switches for rated voltages above 1 kV and less than 52 kV*

IEC 60265-2:1988, *High-voltage switches – Part 2: High-voltage switches for rated voltages of 52 kV and above*

IEC 60298:1990, *A.C. metal-enclosed switchgear and controlgear for rated voltages above 1 kV and up to and including 52 kV*

IEC 60466:1987, *A.C. insulation-enclosed switchgear and controlgear for rated voltages above 1 kV and up to and including 38 kV*