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PREFACE

This standard was prepared by the Joint Standards Australia/Standards New Zealand Committee EL-002, *Safety of household and similar electrical appliances and small power transformers* to supersede AS/NZS 61558.2.23:2011 and its amendments three years from the date of its publication. During this period, it is anticipated that regulatory authorities will approve transformers and power supply units for construction sites to either standard.

The objective of this standard is to provide manufacturers, designers, regulatory authorities, testing laboratories, and similar organisations with safety requirements designed to give the user protection against hazards that might occur during normal operation and abnormal operation of the appliance and which may be used as the basis for approval for sale or for connection to the electricity supply mains in Australia and New Zealand.

The text of IEC 61558-2-23, Ed. 3.0, prepared by IEC Technical Committee TC 96, was submitted to the Standards Australia/Standards New Zealand Combined Procedure (dual public comment and committee vote) for adoption of the IEC standard as a Standards Australia/Standards New Zealand joint standard.

The principal changes in this edition as compared with the 2011 edition of AS/NZS 61558.2.23 are as follows (minor changes are not listed):

- (a) Adjustment of structure and references in accordance with AS/NZS 61558.1:2018;
- (b) New symbol for power supply unit with linearly regulated output voltage.

This standard is an adoption with national modifications of the third edition of IEC 61558-2-23 *Safety of transformers, reactors, power supply units and combinations thereof – Part 2-23 Particular requirements and tests for transformers and power supply units for Construction sites*. It has been varied as indicated to take account of Australian and New Zealand conditions.

This part 2 has to be used in conjunction with the latest edition of AS/NZS 61558.1, *Safety of transformers, reactors, power supply units and combinations thereof – Part 1: General requirements and tests* and its amendments. It was established on the basis of AS/NZS 61558.1:2018.

This part 2 supplements or modifies the corresponding clauses of AS/NZS 61558.1 so as to convert it into the Australian/New Zealand Standard: *Safety requirements and tests for transformers and power supply units for construction sites*.

When a particular subclause of Part 1 is not mentioned in this part 2, that subclause applies as far as is reasonable. When this standard states “addition”, “modification” or “replacement”, the relevant text of Part 1 is to be adapted accordingly.

NOTE 1 The following numbering system is used:

- subclauses, tables and figures that are numbered starting from 101 are additional to those in Part 1;
- unless notes are in a new subclause or involve notes in Part 1, they are numbered starting from 101, including those in a replaced clause or subclause;
- additional annexes are lettered AA, BB, and so on;
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Words in **bold** in the text are defined in Clause 3.

p NOTE 3 In this document, p is used in the margin to indicate instructions for preparing a consolidated version.

The essential safety requirements in AS/NZS 3820¹ that could be applicable to requirements and tests for transformers and power supply units for construction sites are covered by this standard.

The national variations to IEC 61558-2-23, Ed. 3.0 form the Australian and New Zealand national variations for purposes of the IECEE scheme for recognition of results of testing to standards for safety of electrical equipment (the CB scheme).

The text of the international standard IEC 61558-2-23, Ed. 3.0 was approved as a joint Australia/New Zealand standard, noting the effect of national variations in AS/NZS 61558.1:2018.

AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL VARIATIONS

There are no national variations to this part 2 other than those listed in the national variations in AS/NZS 61558.1:2018.

NEW ZEALAND NATIONAL VARIATIONS

There are no national variations to this part 2 other than those listed in the national variations in AS/NZS 61558.1:2018.

¹ AS/NZS 3820, *Essential safety requirements for electrical equipment*.

ANNEX ANZ

(Normative)

Normative references to international publications with their corresponding joint Australia/New Zealand publications

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

NOTE When an international publication has been modified by national variations, the relevant joint Australia/New Zealand publication applies if the national variations are needed to ensure the safety of the appliance for Australia/New Zealand conditions. These international publications are indicated by (MOD). If an international publication is not so indicated, then either it or the listed Australia/New Zealand publication may be used.

| Publication | Year | Title | AS/NZS | Year |
|----------------------|------|---|---------|------|
| IEC 60068-2-27 | 2008 | <i>Environmental testing – Part 2-27: Tests – Test Ea and guidance: Shock</i> | | |
| IEC 60245-4 | 2011 | <i>Rubber insulated cables – Rated voltages up to and including 450/750 V – Part 4: Cords and flexible cables</i> | 60245.4 | 2020 |
| IEC 61558-1 (MOD) | 2017 | <i>Safety of transformers, reactors, power supply units and combinations thereof – Part 1: General requirements and tests</i> | 61558.1 | 2018 |

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**SAFETY OF TRANSFORMERS, REACTORS,
POWER SUPPLY UNITS AND COMBINATIONS THEREOF –****Part 2-23: Particular requirements and tests for transformers and
power supply units for construction sites**

FOREWORD

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IEC 61558-2-23 has been prepared by IEC technical committee 96: Transformers, reactors, power supply units and combinations thereof. It is an International Standard.

This third edition cancels and replaces the second edition published in 2010. This edition constitutes a technical revision.

This edition includes the following significant technical changes with respect to the previous edition:

- a) adjustment of structure and references in accordance with IEC 61558-1:2017;
- b) new symbol for power supply units with linearly regulated output voltage.

The text of this International Standard is based on the following documents:

| Draft | Report on voting |
|-------------|------------------|
| 96/590/FDIS | 96/596/RVD |

Full information on the voting for its approval can be found in the report on voting indicated in the above table.

The language used for the development of this International Standard is English.

This document was drafted in accordance with ISO/IEC Directives, Part 2, and developed in accordance with ISO/IEC Directives, Part 1 and ISO/IEC Directives, IEC Supplement, available at www.iec.ch/members_experts/refdocs. The main document types developed by IEC are described in greater detail at www.iec.ch/standardsdev/publications.

It has the status of a group safety publication in accordance with IEC Guide 101.

This International Standard is to be used in conjunction with IEC 61558-1:2017.

This document supplements or modifies the corresponding clauses in IEC 61558-1:2017, so as to convert that publication into the IEC standard: *Particular requirements and tests for transformers and power supply units for construction sites*.

A list of all parts in the IEC 61558 series published under the general title *Safety of transformers, reactors, power supply units and combinations thereof* can be found on the IEC website.

Future standards in this series will carry the new general title as cited above. Titles of existing standards in this series will be updated at the time of the next edition.

Where this document states "*addition*", "*modification*" or "*replacement*", the relevant text of IEC 61558-1:2017 is to be adapted accordingly.

In this document, the following print types are used:

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- *test specifications: in italic type;*
- explanatory matter: in normal roman type.

In the text of this document, the words in **bold** are defined in Clause 3.

Subclauses, notes, figures and tables additional to those in IEC 61558-1:2017 are numbered starting from 01; supplementary annexes are entitled AA, BB, etc.

The committee has decided that the contents of this document will remain unchanged until the expiry date indicated on the IEC website under webstore.iec.ch in the data related to the specific document. At this date, the document will be

- reconfirmed,
- withdrawn, or
- revised.

INTRODUCTION

IEC/TC 96 has a group safety function in accordance with IEC Guide 104 for transformers other than those intended to supply distribution networks, in particular transformers and power supply units intended to allow the application of protective measures against electric shock as defined by TC 64, which is about electrical installations and protection against electric shock, but in certain cases including the limitation of voltage and horizontal safety function for **SELV**, in accordance with IEC 60364-4-41.

The group safety function (GSF) is used because of responsibility for **safety extra-low voltage (SELV)** in accordance with IEC 61140:2016, 5.2.6 and IEC 60364-4-41:2005, 414.3.1 or control circuits in accordance with IEC 60204-1:2016, 7.2.4.

The group safety function is used for each part of IEC 61558-2 because different standards of the IEC 61558 series can be combined in one construction but in certain cases with no limitation of **rated output** power.

For example an **auto-transformer** in accordance with IEC 61558-2-13 can be designed with a separate **SELV-circuit** in accordance with the particular requirements for IEC 61558-2-6 relating to the general requirements of IEC 61558-1.

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1 Scope

Replacement:

This part of IEC 61558 deals with the safety of **transformers** for construction sites and **power supply units** incorporating **transformers** for construction sites. **Transformers** incorporating **electronic circuits** are also covered by this document.

NOTE 1 Safety includes electrical, thermal and mechanical aspects.

Unless otherwise specified, from here onward, the term **transformer** covers **transformers** for construction sites and **power supply units** incorporating **transformers** for construction sites.

This document is applicable to **stationary** or **portable**, single-phase or polyphase, air-cooled (natural or forced) **independent** or **associated transformers**, being **isolating** or **safety isolating dry-type transformers** for the use on construction sites. The windings can be encapsulated or non-encapsulated.

For **power supply units** (linear) this document is applicable. For **switch mode power supply units**, IEC 61558-2-16 is applicable together with this document. Where two requirements are in conflict, the most severe takes precedence.

The **rated supply voltage** does not exceed 1 000 V AC, and the **rated supply frequency** and the **internal operating frequencies** do not exceed 500 Hz.

The **rated output** does not exceed:

- 25 kVA for single-phase **transformers**;
- 40 kVA for polyphase **transformers**.

This document is applicable to **transformers** without limitation of the **rated output** subject to an agreement between the purchaser and the manufacturer.

NOTE 2 **Transformers** intended to supply distribution networks are not included in the scope.

Isolating transformers for construction sites have a **no-load output voltage** and a **rated output voltage** exceeding 50 V AC and not exceeding 250 V AC.

Safety isolating transformers for construction sites have a **no-load output voltage** and a **rated output voltage** not exceeding 50 V AC.

NOTE 3 This document is applicable to **transformers** for the supply of electricity in locations as specified in IEC 60364-7-704. The latter also specifies the protection by using an earthed midpoint or starpoint of the **output winding**.

NOTE 4 **Transformers** covered by this document are used in applications where it is required by the installation rules or by the appliance specification for protection purposes.