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PREFACE

This Standard was prepared by the Joint Standards Australia/Standards New Zealand Committee EL-006, Industrial Switchgear and Controlgear, to supersede AS 60947.5.1—2004.

The objective of this Standard is to state—

(a) the characteristics of control circuit devices;

(b) The electrical and mechanical requirements with respect to—

  (i) The various duties to be performed;

  (ii) The significance of the rated characteristics and of the markings;

  (iii) The tests to verify the rated characteristics;

  (iv) their construction;

(c) The functional requirements to be satisfied by the control circuit devices with respect to—

  (i) environmental conditions, including those of enclosed equipment;

  (ii) dielectric properties; and

  (iii) terminals

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60068-2-27	Part 2-27: Tests—Test Ea and guidance: Shock	60068.2.27	Part 2.27: Tests—Test Ea and guidance: Shock
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1 General

The provisions of the general rules, IEC 60947-1, are applicable to this standard, where specifically called for. General rules, clauses and subclauses thus applicable, as well as tables, figures and annexes are identified by a reference to IEC 60947-1, for example 1.2.3, Table 4 or Annex A of IEC 60947-1.

1.1 Scope and object

This part of IEC 60947 applies to control circuit devices and switching elements intended for controlling, signalling, interlocking, etc., of switchgear and controlgear.

It applies to control circuit devices having a rated voltage not exceeding 1 000 V a.c. (at a frequency not exceeding 1 000 Hz) or 600 V d.c.

However, for operational voltages below 100 V a.c. or d.c., see note 2 of 4.3.1.1.

This standard applies to specific types of control circuit devices such as:

– manual control switches, for example push-buttons, rotary switches, foot switches, etc.;
– electromagnetically operated control switches, either time-delayed or instantaneous, for example contactor relays;
– pilot switches, for example pressure switches, temperature sensitive switches (thermostats), programmers, etc.;
– position switches, for example control switches operated by part of a machine or mechanism;
– associated control circuit equipment, for example indicator lights, etc.

NOTE 1 A control circuit device includes (a) control switch(es) and associated devices such as (an) indicator light(s).

NOTE 2 A control switch includes (a) switching element(s) and an actuating system.

NOTE 3 A switching element may be a contact element or a semiconductor element.

It also applies to specific types of switching elements associated with other devices (whose main circuits are covered by other standards) such as:

– auxiliary contacts of a switching device (e.g. contactor, circuit breaker. etc.) which are not dedicated exclusively for use with the coil of that device;
– interlocking contacts of enclosure doors;
– control circuit contacts of rotary switches;
– control circuit contacts of overload relays.

Contactor relays shall also meet the requirements and tests of IEC 60947-4-1 except for the utilization category which shall comply with this standard.

This standard does not include the relays covered in IEC 60255 or in the IEC 61810 series, nor automatic electrical control devices for household and similar purposes.

The colour requirements of indicator lights, pushbuttons, etc., are found in IEC 60073 and also in publication 2 of the International Commission of Illumination (CIE).

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a) The characteristics of control circuit devices.
b) The electrical and mechanical requirements with respect to:
   1) The various duties to be performed.
   2) The significance of the rated characteristics and of the markings.
   3) The tests to verify the rated characteristics.
c) The functional requirements to be satisfied by the control circuit devices with respect to:
   1) Environmental conditions, including those of enclosed equipment.
   2) Dielectric properties.
   3) Terminals.

1.2 Normative references

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.

IEC 60050(441):1984, *International Electrotechnical Vocabulary (IEV) – Chapter 441: Switchgear, controlgear and fuses*
Amendment 1 (2000)

IEC 60050(446):1983, *International Electrotechnical Vocabulary (IEV) – Chapter 446: Electrical relays*

IEC 60068-2-6:1995, *Environmental testing – Part 2: Tests – Test Fc: Vibration (sinusoidal)*

IEC 60068-2-14:1984, *Environmental testing – Part 2: Tests – Test N: Change of temperature*
Amendment 1 (1986)

IEC 60068-2-27:1987, *Environmental testing – Part 2: Tests – Test Ea and guidance: Shock*

IEC 60068-2-30:2005, *Environmental testing – Part 2-30: Tests – Test Db: Damp heat, cyclic (12 h + 12 h cycle)*

IEC 60073:2002, *Basic and safety principles for man-machine interface, marking and identification – Coding principles for indications and actuators*

IEC 60112:2003, *Method for the determination of the proof and the comparative tracking indices of solid insulating materials*

IEC 60255 (all parts), *Electrical relays*

IEC 60417, *Graphical symbols for use on equipment*

IEC 60617 (all parts), *Graphical symbols for diagrams*

IEC 60947-1:2007, *Low-voltage switchgear and controlgear – Part 1: General rules*