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## 1 Scope

IEC TR 62757, which is a technical report, deals with fire prevention measures on converters and their valve halls for high voltage direct current (HVDC) systems, static VAR compensators (SVC) and flexible AC transmission systems (FACTS). It is intended to be primarily for the use of the utilities and consultants who are responsible for issuing technical specifications for new converter valves and valve halls. It concerns fire incidents in HVDC projects using line commutated converters (LCC) or voltage sourced converter (VSC) technology and it is from these projects that most examples of fires and fire incidents are taken. This technical report also addresses converter valves and valve halls for SVC and FACTS.

This technical report provides general recommendations to be considered while preparing specifications for these systems. Specific requirements for a particular project need to be clearly specified and mutually agreed upon between the supplier and the purchaser.

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## 3 Terms and definitions

For the purpose of this document the following terms and definitions apply.

### 3.1

#### **alarm system**

installation for initiating a fire alarm

### 3.2

#### **automatic fire detector**

device that detects abnormally high temperature, rate of temperature rise, visible or invisible particles, infra-red or visible radiation, or gases produced by a fire

### 3.3

#### **automatic fire extinguishing system**

any system designed and installed to detect a fire and subsequently discharge an extinguishing agent without the necessity of human intervention

### 3.4

**burn**, intransitive verb

undergo combustion

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