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Preface

This is the harmonized ANCE, CSA, and UL standard for flexible cords and cables. It is the fourth edition of NMX-J-436-ANCE, the thirteenth edition of CSA-C22.2 No. 49, and the eighteenth edition of UL 62. This edition of CSA C22.2 No. 49 supersedes the previous edition(s) published in 2006, 1998, 1992, 1989, 1988, 1981, 1973, 1962, 1960, 1956, 1941, and 1937. This edition of UL 62 supersedes the previous edition published in 2006.

This harmonized standard was prepared by the Association of Standardization and Certification (ANCE), the Canadian Standards Association (CSA), and Underwriters Laboratories Inc. (UL). The efforts and support of the CANENA Technical Harmonization Committee are gratefully acknowledged.

This standard is considered suitable for use for conformity assessment within the stated scope of the standard.

This standard was reviewed by the CSA Subcommittee on Flexible Cords/Equipment and Appliance Wires and Cables, under the jurisdiction of the CSA Technical Committee on Wiring Products and the CSA Strategic Steering Committee on Requirements for Electrical Safety, and has been formally approved by the CSA Technical Committee.

This standard has been approved by the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) as an American National Standard.

Where reference is made to a specific number of samples to be tested, the specified number is to be considered a minimum quantity.

Note: *Although the intended primary application of this standard is stated in its scope, it is important to note that it remains the responsibility of the users of the standard to judge its suitability for their particular purpose.*

Level of harmonization

This standard uses the IEC format but is not based on, nor is it to be considered equivalent to, an IEC standard. This standard is published as an equivalent standard for ANCE, CSA, and UL.

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Reasons for differences from IEC

This standard provides requirements for insulated cords and cables in accordance with the codes of Canada, Mexico, and the United States. At present there is no IEC standard for cords and cables for use in accordance with these codes. Therefore, this standard does not employ any IEC standard for base requirements.

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As of May 28, 2010, all products Listed or Recognized by UL must comply with the requirements in this standard except for clauses, figures, and tables in the following list, which are effective December 15, 2012.

Clauses 4.1.1.3.1, 4.1.1.7.2.2, 5.1.2, 5.2.3.1, 6.4.4(b), and Table 1.

Between May 28, 2010, and December 15, 2012, new product submittals to UL may be evaluated under all requirements in this standard or, if requested in writing, evaluated under presently effective requirements only.

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1 Scope

1.1 General

This standard specifies the requirements for flexible cords, elevator cables, and hoistway cables rated 600 V maximum and intended for use in accordance with CSA C22.1, *Canadian Electrical Code (CEC), Part I* and CAN/CSA-C22.2 No. 0, *General Requirements – Canadian Electrical Code, Part II*, in Canada, NOM-001-SEDE, *La Norma de Instalaciones Electricas (Mexican Electrical Code [MEC])*, in Mexico, and NFPA 70, *National Electrical Code (NEC)*, in the United States.

1.2 Products included

This standard covers the following products:

- a) service cords;
- b) elevator cables;
- c) hoistway cables;
- d) heater cords;
- e) range and dryer cords;
- f) cords for decorative lighting;
- g) tinsel and lamp cords; and
- h) special use cords.

1.3 National differences

In cases where product types are not approved in all three countries, a national difference is indicated by superscripts, as shown below: