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- changes to the low temperature test requirements for in-line cords;
- revision to the pollution degree for the environment surrounding contacts;
- addition of the use of screwless terminals on printed circuit boards and revisions to creepage distances;
- additions of CISPR 11 EMC requirements;

- incorporation of EMC test levels from IEC 60335 series;
- additional testing for flexible cords;
- revisions to the requirements for resistance to heat, fire and tracking including replacement of Clause 21 and Annexes F and G;
- new Annex T for additional requirements for non-SELV supplied sensor cable or cord;
- new requirements in H.27.1 for first and second fault approach to ensure functional safety;
- incorporation of software techniques from IEC 61508-3 in H.11.12;
- replacement of Annex D (Canada and USA) with a reference to UL 746C;
- updates to the references and bibliography;
- the keyword index was deleted as unnecessary due to the availability of search functions for electronic editions of the standard.

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The “in some countries” notes regarding differing national practices are contained in the following subclauses:

2.1.5	12.1.6	18.1.6.2
2.7.2	12.3	18.1.6.3
2.7.3	Table 12 (13.2.1), Note 14	18.4
2.14.2	13.3.4	19.2.4.1
4.2.1	14.1.1	19.2.5.1
6.6.1	Table 13 (14.7.4), Notes 1, 7	20
Table 1 (7.2), Note 9	14.4	21.1
7.4.3	15.1	21.4
7.4.3.2	16.2.1	27.2.3.1
8.1	17.1.3.1	Annex C
8.4	Table 14 (17.2.5)	Annex D
9.3.2	17.2.2	
9.3.4	Table 15 (17.2.5)	H.26.10
9.5.2	17.2.3	Table H.16 (H.26.10.4)
Table 3 (10.1.4), Note 1	17.2.3.1	
10.1.4.2	Table 16 (17.2.5)	
10.1.4.3	17.5.1	Table H.21 (H.27.1), Note 7
10.1.14	17.6.2	Table K.1
10.1.16	17.7.7	Table K.2

10.1.16.1	17.8.4.1	R.1
Table 6 (10.2.1), Note 1	17.10	T.3.2
11.5	17.10.4	
Table 10 (11.8.2), Note 1	17.12.5	
11.11.1.2	17.14	
11.11.1.3	18.1.6	
11.11.1.4	18.1.6.1	

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This part 1 is to be used in conjunction with the appropriate part 2 for a particular type of control, or for controls for particular applications. This part 1 may also be applied, so far as reasonable, to controls not mentioned in a part 2, and to controls designed on new principles, in which cases additional requirements may be considered to be necessary.

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AUTOMATIC ELECTRICAL CONTROLS FOR HOUSEHOLD AND SIMILAR USE –

Part 1: General requirements

1 Scope and normative references

1.1 In general, this International Standard applies to automatic electrical controls for use in, on, or in association with equipment for household and similar use, including controls for heating, air-conditioning and similar applications. The equipment may use electricity, gas, oil, solid fuel, solar thermal energy, etc., or a combination thereof.

1.1.1 This International Standard applies to the inherent safety; to the operating values, operating times, and operating sequences where such are associated with equipment safety, and to the testing of automatic electrical control devices used in, or in association with, household or similar equipment.

This standard is also applicable to controls for appliances within the scope of IEC 60335-1.

This standard is also applicable to controls for building automation systems within the scope of ISO 16484-2

Throughout this standard the word "equipment" means "appliance and equipment."

This standard does not apply to automatic electrical controls intended exclusively for industrial applications unless explicitly mentioned in the relevant part 2.

This standard is also applicable to individual controls utilized as part of a control system or controls which are mechanically integral with multifunctional controls having non-electrical outputs.

Automatic electrical controls for equipment not intended for normal household use, but which nevertheless may be used by the public, such as equipment intended to be used by laymen in shops, in light industry and on farms, are within the scope of this standard.

See also Annex J.

This standard is also applicable to relays when used as controls for IEC 60335 appliances. Additional requirements for the safety and operating values of relays when used as controls for IEC 60335 appliances are contained in Annex U.

NOTE 1 These requirements are referred to by IEC 61810-1, Scope.

NOTE 2 This standard is intended to be used for the testing of any stand-alone relay which is intended to be used as a control of an appliance according to IEC 60335-1. It is not intended to be used for any other stand-alone relay, or to replace the IEC 61810 series of standards.

1.1.2 This standard applies to automatic electrical controls, mechanically or electrically operated, responsive to or controlling such characteristics as temperature, pressure, passage of time, humidity, light, electrostatic effects, flow, or liquid level, current, voltage, acceleration, or combinations thereof.

1.1.3 This standard applies to starting relays, which are a specific type of automatic electrical control, intended to switch the starting winding of a motor. Such controls may be built into, or be separate from, the motor.