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This Part 1 is to be used in conjunction with the appropriate Part 2, which contains clauses to supplement or modify the corresponding clauses in Part 1, to provide the relevant particular requirements for each type of product. A conduit system which conforms to this standard is deemed safe for use.

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6.5.2: In Australia and Austria, conduits and conduit fittings may be classified with low acid gas emission.

13.1.4: In Australia conduits and conduit fittings classified as low acid gas emission shall be tested in accordance with IEC 60754-1, evolve not more than the equivalent of 5 mg of hydrochloride-acid per gram of sample.

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## CONDUIT SYSTEMS FOR CABLE MANAGEMENT –

### Part 1: General requirements

#### 1 Scope

This part of IEC 61386 specifies requirements and tests for conduit systems, including conduits and conduit fittings, for the protection and management of insulated conductors and/or cables in electrical installations or in communication systems up to 1 000 V a.c. and/or 1 500 V d.c. This standard applies to metallic, non-metallic and composite conduit systems, including threaded and non-threaded entries which terminate the system. This standard does not apply to enclosures and connecting boxes which come within the scope of IEC 60076.

NOTE 1 Certain conduit systems may also be suitable for use in hazardous atmospheres. Regard should then be taken of the extra requirements necessary for equipment to be installed in such conditions.

NOTE 2 Earthing conductors may or may not be insulated.

#### 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 60417, *Graphical symbols for use on equipment*

IEC 60423:2007, *Conduit systems for cable management – Outside diameters of conduits for electrical installations and threads for conduits and fittings*

IEC 60529:1989+AMD1:1999+AMD2:2013, *Degrees of protection provided by enclosures (IP Code)*

IEC 60695-2-11:2014, *Fire hazard testing – Part 2-11: Glowing/hot-wire based test methods - Glow-wire flammability test method for end-products (GWEPT)*

IEC 60695-11-2:2007, *Fire hazard testing – Part 11-2: Test flames - 1 kW nominal pre-mixed flame - Apparatus, confirmatory test arrangement and guidance*

IEC 61386-21:2002, *Conduit systems for cable management – Part 21: Particular requirements – Rigid conduit systems*

IEC 61386-22:2002, *Conduit Systems for cable management – Part 22: Particular requirements – Pliable conduit systems*

IEC 61386-23:2002, *Conduit systems for cable management – Part 23: Particular requirements – Flexible conduit systems*

IEC 61386-24:2004, *Conduit systems for cable management – Part 24: Particular requirements – Conduit systems buried underground*

IEC 61386-25:2011, *Conduit systems for cable management – Part 25: Particular requirements – Conduit fixing devices*