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Introduction

This introduction is not part of IEEE Std 525™-2016, IEEE Guide for the Design and Installation of Cable Systems in Substations.

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— Annex P was added to describe a large station example.

— Annex Q was added to provide information on fiber optic cables.

— The communications cable information was expanded throughout the document.

— Miscellaneous updates were made throughout the document.

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1. Overview

The main clauses of the guide are organized by cable type and each of these clauses has been organized to match the general steps involved in the design process for a substation cable system (see Annex A for a flowchart diagram). Common information for each type of cable is placed in the annexes and is referenced from the body of the guide. The rationale for organizing the guide in this manner is to make it easier for the user to find the information needed as quickly and efficiently as possible, especially for those individuals unfamiliar with the design of cable systems in substations.

1.1 Scope

This document is a guide for the design, installation, and protection of insulated wire and cable systems in substations with the objective of helping to minimize cable failures and their consequences. Cable systems with voltages greater than 35 kV are not covered in this guide.

1.2 Purpose

The purpose of this guide is to provide guidance to the substation engineer in established practices for the application and installation of metallic and optical cables in electric power transmission and distribution substations with the objective of helping to minimize cable failures and their consequences. This guide emphasizes reliable electrical service and safety during the design life of the substation.