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Failures of the Ethernet Local Area Network (LAN) ports have been attributed to use of inappropriate Surge Protective Devices (SPDs) and lack of insulation coordination, which caused the breakdown of transformers, associated wiring, and connectors. This guide discusses isolation-transformer parameters and how they influence the equipment common-mode and differential-mode surge performance. A copy of IEEE C62.69™, IEEE Standard for the Surge Parameters of Isolating Transformers Used in Networking Devices and Equipment is necessary to fully understand this document.¹

Dedication

This standard is dedicated to the memory of Phillip Havens, a great friend and contributor.

¹Information on references can be found in [Clause 2](#).

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1. Overview

1.1 Scope

The IEEE C62.42™ guide series covers surge protective components (SPCs) used in power and telecom surge protective devices (SPDs) and equipment ports. This part on high-frequency signal isolation-transformer technology SPCs covers:

- Component construction
- Characteristics
- Ratings
- Application examples

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