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- Modified the title from "Welding clamp" to "Welding current return clamp" and updated the term through the document.
- Updated all values of test current in Table 1 corrected to 40 °C.
- Updated the reference to EN 50565-1:2014, Electric cables – Guide to use for cables with a rated voltage not exceeding 450/750 V (U0/U) – Part 1: General guidance

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1 Scope

This part of IEC 60974 is applicable to WELDING CURRENT RETURN CLAMPS for arc welding processes, designed to make an electrical connection to the workpiece without using tools.

This document is not applicable to WELDING CURRENT RETURN CLAMPS for underwater welding and plasma cutting.

This document specifies safety and performance requirements of WELDING CURRENT RETURN CLAMPS.

This document does not specify requirements for welding cables.

2 Normative references

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IEC 60050-151:2001/AMD3:2019
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