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- a) new terms and definitions on maximum admissible locating AC and DC currents and voltages;
- b) the requirements on locating current and locating voltage have been revised;
- c) performance requirements have been added;

- d) the test requirements for locating current and locating voltage have been revised;
- e) the structure of this document has been adapted to that of IEC 61557-1:2019;
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1 Scope

This part of IEC 61557 specifies the requirements for the insulation fault location system (IFLS) that localizes insulation faults in any part of the system in unearthed IT AC systems and unearthed IT AC systems with galvanically connected DC circuits having nominal voltages up to 1 000 V AC, as well as in unearthed IT DC systems with voltages up to 1 500 V DC, independent of the measuring principle.

NOTE 1 IT systems are described in IEC 60364-4-41. Further information on insulation fault location can be found in the following International Standards: IEC 60364-4-41:2005, 411.6 and IEC 60364-4-41:2005/AMD1:2017, 411.6, and IEC 60364-5-53:2019/AMD1:2020, 531.3.

NOTE 2 This document covers both passive IFLS and active IFLS. Active IFLS can be used in de-energised systems.

NOTE 3 This document does not cover IMD complying with IEC 61557-8.

2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements 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.

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IEC 61010-1:2010, *Safety requirements for electrical equipment for measurement, control, and laboratory use – Part 1: General requirements*

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IEC 61010-2-030, *Safety requirements for electrical equipment for measurement, control, and laboratory use – Part 2-030: Particular requirements for equipment having testing or measuring circuits*

IEC 61010-031, *Safety requirements for electrical equipment for measurement, control, and laboratory use – Part 031: Safety requirements for hand-held and hand-manipulated probe assemblies for electrical test and measurement*

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IEC 61140, *Protection against electric shock – Common aspects for installation and equipment*

IEC 61326-1:2020, *Electrical equipment for measurement, control and laboratory use – EMC requirements – Part 1: General requirements*

IEC 61326-2-2, *Electrical equipment for measurement, control and laboratory use – EMC requirements – Part 2-2: Particular requirements – Test configurations, operational conditions and performance criteria for portable testing, measuring and monitoring equipment used in low-voltage distribution systems*

IEC 61326-2-4, *Electrical equipment for measurement, control and laboratory use – EMC requirements – Part 2-4: Particular requirements – Test configurations, operational conditions and performance criteria for insulation monitoring devices according to IEC 61557-8 and for equipment for insulation fault location according to IEC 61557-9*

IEC 61557-1:2019, *Electrical safety in low voltage distribution systems up to 1 000 V AC and 1 500 V DC – Equipment for testing, measuring or monitoring of protective measures – Part 1: General requirements*

IEC 61557-8:2014, *Electrical safety in low voltage distribution systems up to 1 000 V AC and 1 500 V DC – Equipment for testing, measuring or monitoring of protective measures – Part 8: Insulation monitoring devices for IT systems*

IEC 61810-2:2017, *Electromechanical elementary relays – Part 2: Reliability*