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This second edition of IEC Guide 110 cancels and replaces the first edition published in 1996.

The main changes with respect to the previous edition are as follows (minor changes are not listed):

- addition of several new electrical safety aspects;
- inclusion of cyber security;
- consistent use of the term “equipment” to replace terms such as “device”, “system”, “product”, etc.;
- bringing the document structure in line with the latest ISO/IEC Directives;

- updating the references to standards and IEC technical committees to reflect the current situation.

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This publication has been drafted in accordance with the ISO/IEC Directives, Part 2.

A bilingual version of this publication may be issued at a later date.

HOME CONTROL SYSTEMS – GUIDELINES RELATING TO SAFETY

1 Scope

This Guide provides background information to technical committees when dealing with safety requirements for products intended to be integrated in a home control system. It includes information on functional safety as well as conventional safety aspects relevant to home control systems.

This Guide defines the safety-related characteristics of systems intended for signal transmission through building wiring carrying low voltage or extra low-voltage, through fibre optics, through air or by electromagnetic waves in household and similar premises (home control systems).

This Guide deals with home control systems providing control communication for equipment used within homes. This includes the control of equipment for cooling, heating, lighting, audio/video, telecommunications, security, etc., in fact, any equipment controlled by the home control system. It also includes residential gateways between the internal home control system network and external wide-area networks such as the internet. The Guide also covers similar building management functions in commercial buildings of similar complexity.

EMC aspects are not covered, since these are dealt with by IEC Guide 107.

2 Normative references

The following documents, in whole or in part, are normatively referenced in this document and are indispensable for its application. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

IEC 60950-1:2005, *Information technology equipment – Safety – Part 1: General requirements*

ISO/IEC Guide 51, *Safety aspects – Guidelines for their inclusion in standards*

EN 50491-3, *General requirements for home and building electronic systems (HBES) and building automation and control systems (BACS) – Part 3: Electrical safety requirements*