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INTRODUCTION

IEC 62196 (all parts) specifies the requirements for plugs, socket-outlets, vehicle connectors, vehicle inlets and cable assemblies as described in IEC 61851 (all parts).

Some conductive transfer of electric power can be achieved by direct connection from an electric vehicle to common mains socket-outlets.

IEC 62196-4 covers the mechanical, electrical and performance requirements for dedicated accessories for conductive transfer of electric power between the supply network and a light electric road vehicle according to IEC TS 61851-3 (all parts).

IEC 62196 is divided into several parts:

- Part 1: General requirements, comprising clauses of a general character;
- Part 2: Dimensional compatibility and interchangeability requirements for AC pin and contact-tube accessories;
- Part 3: Dimensional compatibility and interchangeability requirements for DC and AC/DC pin and contact-tube vehicle couplers;
- Part 4: Dimensional compatibility and interchangeability requirements for dedicated DC pin and contact-tube accessories for Class II or Class III applications.

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1 Scope

This part of IEC 62196 is applicable to plugs, socket-outlets, vehicle connectors and vehicle inlets, herein referred to as “accessories”, of standardized configuration for DC power supply of electric road vehicles, where the protection against electric shocks relies on double or reinforced insulation between all AC and DC inputs and outputs of the EV supply equipment, intended for use in conductive power supply systems which can incorporate control means, with a maximum operating voltage up to 120 V DC, not exceeding 60 A.

These accessories are intended to be used for circuits specified in IEC 61851-3 (all parts).

The accessories covered by this part of IEC 62196 are intended to be used only with electric vehicles that provide a vehicle power supply circuit with double or reinforced insulation or battery systems covered by IEC 61851-3 (all parts).

These accessories and cable assemblies are intended to be used in an ambient temperature of between –30 °C and +50 °C.

These accessories are intended to be connected only to cables with copper or copper-alloy conductors.

2 Normative references

Clause 2 of IEC 62196-1:2014 applies except as follows:

Addition:

NOTE All EMC related standard references are given in IEC 61851-21-1 and IEC 61851-21-2.

IEC TS 61851-3-1:–¹, *Electric vehicle conductive charging system – Part 3-1: DC EV supply equipment where protection relies on double or reinforced insulation – General rules and requirements for stationary equipment*

IEC TS 61851-3-2:–², *Electric vehicle conductive charging system – Part 3-2: DC EV supply equipment where protection relies on double or reinforced insulation – Particular requirements for portable and mobile equipment*

IEC TS 61851-3-4:–³, *Electric vehicle conductive charging system – Part 3-4: DC EV supply equipment where protection relies on double or reinforced insulation – General definitions and requirements for CANopen communication*

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IEC 61851-21-1, *Electric vehicle conductive charging system – Part 21-1 Electric vehicle on-board charger EMC requirements for conductive connection to AC/DC supply*

ISO 17409, *Electrically propelled road vehicles – Connection to an external electric power supply – Safety requirements*