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Safety Requirements for Electrical Equipment for Measurement, Control and Laboratory Use – Part 2-033: Particular Requirements for Hand-Held Multimeters for Domestic and Professional Use, Capable of Measuring Mains Voltage

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PREFACE (UL)

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This UL Standard 61010-2-033 Standard for Safety Requirements for Electrical Equipment for Measurement, Control and Laboratory Use – Part 2-033: Particular Requirements for Hand-Held Multimeters for Domestic and Professional Use, Capable of Measuring Mains Voltage, is to be used in conjunction with the lastest edition of UL 61010-1. The requirements for measurement equipment for insulation resistance and test equipment for electric strength are contained in this Part 2 Standard and UL 61010-1.

Requirements of this Part 2 Standard, where stated, amend the requirements of UL 61010-1.

Where a particular subclause of UL 61010-1 is not mentioned in UL 61010-2-033, the UL 61010-1 subclause applies.

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National Differences from the text of International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC) Publication 61010-2-033, Safety requirements for electrical equipment for measurement, control and laboratory use – Part 2-033: Particular requirements for hand-held multimeters for domestic and professional use, capable of measuring mains voltage, copyright 2023 are indicated by notations (differences) and are presented in bold text.

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FOREWORD

INTERNATIONAL ELECTROTECHNICAL COMMISSION

SAFETY REQUIREMENTS FOR ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT FOR MEASUREMENT, CONTROL, AND LABORATORY USE – Part 2-033: Particular requirements for hand-held multimeters and other meters for domestic and professional use, capable of measuring mains voltage

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IEC 61010-2-033 has been prepared by IEC technical committee 66: Safety of measuring, control and laboratory equipment. It is an International Standard.

This third edition cancels and replaces the second edition published in 2019. This edition constitutes a technical revision.

This edition includes the following significant technical changes with respect to the previous edition:

a) Clause 2, all normative references have been dated and new normative references have been added;

b) 4.4.2.101 is a new subclause about surge protective devices;

c) Subclause 6.6.101 modifies 6.6.101 and 6.6.102 of previous edition:

1) in 6.6.101.1, insulating material of group I may be allowed for determination of CREEPAGE DISTANCES of measuring circuit TERMINALS;

2) in 6.6.101.2, CLEARANCES and CREEPAGE DISTANCES up to 3 000 V for measuring circuit TERMINALS in unmated position have been defined;

3) in 6.6.101.3, requirements for measuring circuit TERMINALS in partially mated position have been specified;

4) in 6.6.101.4, requirements for measuring circuit TERMINALS in mated position have been specified;

5) Subclause 6.6.101.5 replaces 6.6.102;

d) Subclause 6.101 replaces 6.9.101 of the previous edition with modifications;

e) 9.101 is a new subclause to consider the protection of measuring circuits against the spread of fire and arc flash;

f) in 9.101.2, relocation of 101.3 of previous edition;

g) in 9.101.3, relocation of 101.4 of previous edition;

h) in 101.3, relocation of Clause 102 of previous edition;

i) in K.2.1, another method for determination of CLEARANCES of secondary circuits is proposed;

j) in K.3.2, new Table K.15 and Table K.16 for CLEARANCE calculation;

k) Clause K.4 of the previous edition has been deleted;

l) Subclause K.101.4 has been reviewed;

m) Table K.104 of the previous edition has been deleted;

n) Annex AA: Figure AA.1 has been redesigned;

o) Annex EE: addition of a new informative annex for determination of CLEARANCES for the purposes of Table 101.

The text of this International Standard is based on the following documents:

Draft	Report on voting
66/787/FDIS	66/797/RVD

Full information on the voting for its approval can be found in the report on voting indicated in the above table.

The language used for the development of this International Standard is English.

This document was drafted in accordance with ISO/IEC Directives, Part 2, and developed in accordance with ISO/IEC Directives, Part 1 and ISO/IEC Directives, IEC Supplement, available at

www.iec.ch/members_experts/refdocs. The main document types developed by IEC are described in greater detail at www.iec.ch/publications.

A list of all parts of the IEC 61010 series, under the general title *Safety requirements for electrical equipment for measurement, control, and laboratory use*, can be found on the IEC website.

This document is to be used in conjunction with IEC 61010-1:2010 and IEC 61010-1:2010/AMD1:2016.

This document supplements or modifies the corresponding clauses in IEC 61010-1 so as to convert that publication into the IEC standard: *Particular requirements for hand-held multimeters and other meters for domestic and professional use, capable of measuring mains voltage*.

Where a particular subclause of IEC 61010-1 is not mentioned in this document, that subclause applies as far as is reasonable. Where this document states "addition", "modification", "replacement", or "deletion" the relevant requirement, test specification or note in IEC 61010-1 should be adapted accordingly.

In this standard:

a) the following print types are used:

– requirements: in roman type;

– NOTES: in small roman type;

– *conformity and tests: in italic type;*

– terms used throughout this standard which have been defined in Clause 3: SMALL ROMAN CAPITALS;

b) subclauses, figures, tables and notes which are additional to those in IEC 61010-1 are numbered starting from 101. Additional annexes are lettered starting from AA and additional list items are lettered from aa).

The committee has decided that the contents of this document will remain unchanged until the stability date indicated on the IEC website under
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101DV DE *Modification to add the following to IEC Foreword:*

The numbering system in the standard uses a space instead of a comma to indicate thousands and uses a comma instead of a period to indicate a decimal point. For example, 1 000 means 1,000 and 1,01 means 1.01.

102DV DE *Modification to add the following to the IEC Foreword:*

For this Standard, all references to "IEC 61010-1:2010" or "IEC 61010-1:2010/AMD1:2016" refer to UL 61010-1.

For this Standard, all references to IEC 61010-2-030, IEC 61010-2-032 and IEC 61010-2-034 refer to UL versions of the particulars.

For this Standard, all references to IEC 61010-031 refer to UL 61010-031.

INTRODUCTION

IEC 61010-1 specifies the safety requirements that are generally applicable to all equipment within its scope. For certain types of equipment, the requirements of IEC 61010-1 and its amendment will be supplemented or modified by the special requirements of one or more standard from the IEC 61010-2 series which is/are read in conjunction with the requirements of IEC 61010-1.

1) IEC 61010-2-030:2023 specifies the safety requirements for equipment with testing or measuring circuits which are connected for test or measurement purposes to devices or circuits outside the measurement equipment itself.

2) IEC 61010-2-032:2023 specifies the safety requirements for hand-held and hand-manipulated current sensors for measuring, detecting, injecting current, or indicating current waveforms on circuits without physically opening the current path of the circuit being measured.

Most of the requirements of IEC 61010-2-030:2023 have been included in IEC 61010-2-032:2023. Equipment within the scopes of both IEC 61010-2-030:2023 and IEC 61010-2-032:2023 is considered to be covered by the requirements of IEC 61010-2-032:2023.

However, for current sensors in combined equipment with protective bonding and automatic disconnection of the supply, IEC 61010-2-030:2023 and IEC 61010-2-032:2023 are read in conjunction.

3) This document specifies the safety requirements for hand-held multimeters and other meters for domestic and professional use, capable of measuring mains voltage, intended to measure voltage and other electrical quantities such as resistance or current.

All relevant requirements of IEC 61010-2-030:2023 have been included in this document.

4) IEC 61010-2-034:2023 specifies the safety requirements for measurement equipment for insulation resistance and test equipment for electric strength which are connected to units, lines or circuits for test or measurement purposes.

All relevant requirements of IEC 61010-2-030:2023 have been included in IEC 61010-2-034:2023. However, for equipment within the scope of IEC 61010-2-032:2023 and IEC 61010-2-034:2023, these standards are read in conjunction.

IEC 61010-031 specifies the safety requirements for hand-held and hand-manipulated probe assemblies and their related accessories intended to be used in particular with equipment in the scope of IEC 61010-2-030, IEC 61010-2-032, this document, and IEC 61010-2-034. These probe assemblies are for non-contact or direct electrical connection between a part and electrical test and measurement equipment. They may be fixed to the equipment or be detachable accessories for the equipment.

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1 Scope and object

IEC 61010-1:2010, Clause 1 and IEC 61010-1:2010/AMD1:2016, Clause 1 apply except as follows:

1.1.1 Equipment included in scope

Replace the existing text with the following:

This document specifies safety requirements for hand-held multimeters and other meters for domestic and professional use, capable of measuring MAINS.

Hand-held multimeters are multi-range multifunction measuring instruments intended to measure voltage and other electrical quantities such as resistance or current. Their primary purpose is to measure voltage on a live MAINS. They are suitable to be supported by one hand during NORMAL USE.

1.1.2 Equipment excluded from scope

Add the following new item to the list and the following paragraph:

aa) IEC 61557 (all parts), *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*

HAND-HELD EQUIPMENT such as oscilloscopes, wattmeters, process control multimeters not RATED for measuring voltage on a live MAINS, clamp multimeters and communications test sets are not within the scope of this document.

1.2.1 Aspects included in scope

Replace item c) of the second paragraph with the following new item c):

c) spread of fire or arc flash from the hand-held multimeters (see Clause 9);

Replace the third paragraph with the following two new paragraphs:

Requirements for protection against HAZARDS arising from NORMAL USE, REASONABLY FORESEEABLE MISUSE and ergonomic factors are specified in Clause 16 and Clause 101.

Annex BB provides guidance to equipment manufacturers on HAZARDS that should be considered for equipment intended for performing tests and measurements on hazardous conductors, including MAINS conductors and telecommunication network conductors.

2 Normative references

IEC 61010-1:2010, Clause 2 and IEC 61010-1:2010/AMD1:2016, Clause 2 apply except as follows:

Replace the following existing normative references:

IEC 60364-4-44:2007, *Low-voltage electrical installations – Part 4-44: Protection for safety – Protection against voltage disturbances and electromagnetic disturbances*
IEC 60364-4-44:2007/AMD1:2015

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

IEC 61180 (all parts), *High-voltage test techniques for low-voltage equipment*

IEC 61180-1, *High-voltage test techniques for low-voltage equipment – Part 1: Definitions, test and procedure requirements*

IEC 61180-2, *High-voltage test techniques for low-voltage equipment – Part 2: Test equipment*

with the following new normative references:

IEC 60364-4-44:2007, *Low-voltage electrical installations – Part 4-44: Protection for safety – Protection against voltage disturbances and electromagnetic disturbances*
IEC 60364-4-44:2007/AMD1:2015
IEC 60364-4-44:2007/AMD2:2018

IEC 61010-031:2022, *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*

IEC 61180:2016, *High-voltage test techniques for low-voltage equipment – Definitions, test and procedure requirements, test equipment*[1]

[1] IEC 61180:2016 replaces everywhere IEC 61180, IEC 61180-1 and IEC 61180-2 are referenced in IEC 61010-1.

Add the following new normative references:

IEC 61000-4-5:2014, *Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) – Part 4-5: Testing and measurement techniques – Surge immunity test*
IEC 61000-4-5:2014/AMD1:2017

IEC 61010-2-030:2023, *Safety requirements for electrical equipment for measurement, control, and laboratory use – Part 2-030: Special requirements for testing and measuring circuits*

IEC 61010-2-032:2023, *Safety requirements for electrical equipment for measurement, control, and laboratory use – Part 2-032: Particular requirements for hand-held and hand-manipulated current sensors for electrical test and measurement*

2DV DR *Modification: Add the following*

The requirements of this UL Standard shall take precedence over the International Standard on which it is based; any reference within this standard to the International Standard shall be replaced by a reference to the equivalent US Standard.

3 Terms and definitions

IEC 61010-1:2010, Clause 3 and IEC 61010-1:2010/AMD1:2016, Clause 3 apply except as follows:

3.5 Safety terms

Replace the definition of 3.5.4 with the following new definition:

3.5.4
MAINS
electricity supply system

Add the following new term and definition:

3.5.101
MEASUREMENT CATEGORY
classification of testing and measuring circuits according to the type of MAINS to which they are intended to be connected

4 Tests

IEC 61010-1:2010, Clause 4 and IEC 61010-1:2010/AMD1:2016, Clause 4 apply except as follows:

4.3.2.5 MAINS supply

Replace the existing title and text with the following:

4.3.2.5 Power supply

The following requirements apply:

a) the voltage of the power supply connected to the MAINS shall be between 90 % and 110 % of any RATED supply voltage for which the hand-held multimeter can be set or, if the hand-held multimeter is RATED for a greater fluctuation, at any supply voltage within the fluctuation range;

b) the MAINS frequency shall be any RATED frequency;

c) hand-held multimeters for both a.c. and d.c. shall be connected to an a.c. or d.c. supply;

d) hand-held multimeters powered from MAINS by single-phase a.c. shall be connected both with normal and reverse polarity;

e) if the means of connection permit reversal, battery-operated and d.c. hand-held multimeters shall be connected with both reverse and normal polarity.

4.3.2.6 Input and output voltages

Replace the existing title and text with the following:

4.3.2.6 Input and output voltages or currents

Input and output voltages or currents, including floating voltages but excluding the supply voltage connected to the MAINS, shall be set to any voltage or current within their RATED range, in normal and reverse polarity if possible.

Add the following new subclause:

4.4.2.101 Surge protective devices

Surge protective devices used in MAINS CIRCUITS or in circuits measuring MAINS shall be short-circuited and open-circuited.

5 Marking and documentation

IEC 61010-1:2010, Clause 5 and IEC 61010-1:2010/AMD1:2016, Clause 5 apply except as follows:

5.1.2 Identification

Add the following note after the existing note:

NOTE 101 Some national regulations can require a marking to indicate the name and edition of the standard used for compliance evaluation.

5.1.5 TERMINALS, connections and operating devices

5.1.5.1 General

Replace the first paragraph with the following:

If necessary for safety, an indication shall be given of the purpose of TERMINALS, connectors, controls, and indicators. Where there is insufficient space, symbol 14 from Table 1 may be used.

5.1.5.2 TERMINALS

Replace the existing item d) with the following item d):

d) TERMINALS supplied from the interior of the hand-held multimeter and which could be HAZARDOUS LIVE, with the voltage, current, charge or energy value or range, or with symbol 12 of Table 1;

Add the following new item to the list:

aa) TERMINALS supplied from other TERMINALS which could be HAZARDOUS LIVE, with symbol 12 or symbol 14 of Table 1.

Add the following new subclause:

5.1.5.101 Measuring circuit TERMINALS

Measuring circuit TERMINALS are usually arranged in pairs or sets. Each pair or set of TERMINALS may have a RATED voltage or a RATED current, or both, within that set, and each individual TERMINAL will have a RATED voltage to earth. For some hand-held multimeters, the RATED voltage between TERMINALS may be different from the RATED voltage to earth. Markings shall be clear to avoid misunderstanding.

Each pair or set of measuring circuit TERMINALS that are intended to be used together shall be marked with the value of the RATED voltage or the RATED current as applicable to the pair or set of TERMINALS.

TERMINALS of measuring circuits RATED for MAINS voltage measurements shall be marked with "CAT III" or "CAT IV" and its RATED a.c. r.m.s. line-to-neutral or d.c. voltage as applicable. Marking those TERMINALS with these two types of MEASUREMENT CATEGORY is permissible. Marking of MEASUREMENT CATEGORY II is not allowed. Other measuring circuit TERMINALS shall be marked with the value of the RATED voltage to earth.

NOTE CLEARANCES and solid insulation for MEASUREMENT CATEGORIES are specified for a nominal a.c. r.m.s. line-to- neutral or d.c. voltage of MAINS being measured. Neutral is considered to be earthed (see Table K.101 Annex I).

Measuring circuit TERMINALS that do not have a RATING for connection to voltages above the levels of 6.3.1, may be marked with alternative markings.

Measuring circuit TERMINALS which are dedicated only for connection to specific TERMINALS of other equipment need not be marked provided that there is a means of identifying these TERMINALS.

TERMINAL markings shall be visible when the hand-held multimeter is ready for NORMAL USE with connectors and TERMINALS mated and shall reference the applicable TERMINALS.

Conformity is checked by inspection.

5.2 Warning markings

Replace the existing text with the following text:

Warning markings specified in this document shall meet the following requirements.

Warning markings shall be visible when the hand-held multimeter is ready for NORMAL USE. If a warning applies to a particular part of the hand-held multimeter, the marking shall be placed on or near that part.

The size of warning markings shall be as follows.

a) Symbols shall be at least 2,75 mm high. Text shall be at least 1,5 mm high and contrast in colour with the background.

b) Symbols or text moulded, stamped or engraved in a material shall be at least 2,0 mm high. If not contrasting in colour, they shall have a depth or raised height of at least 0,5 mm.

If it is necessary for the RESPONSIBLE BODY or OPERATOR to refer to the instruction manual to preserve the protection afforded by the hand-held multimeter, the hand-held multimeter shall be marked with symbol 14 of Table 1. Symbol 14 is not required to be used together with symbols which are explained in the manual.

If the instructions for use state that an OPERATOR is permitted to gain access, using a TOOL, to a part which in NORMAL USE may be HAZARDOUS LIVE, there shall be a warning marking which states that the hand-held multimeter shall be isolated or disconnected from the HAZARDOUS LIVE voltage before access.

NOTE National regulations can require safety markings in a nationally accepted language.

Conformity is checked by inspection.

5.4.1 General

Replace the first paragraph except its list with the following paragraph:

The following documentation necessary for safety purposes, as needed by the OPERATOR or the RESPONSIBLE BODY, shall be provided with the hand-held multimeter, in an accepted language of the country where the product is intended to be placed on the market. The following safety documentation for service personnel authorized by the manufacturer shall be made available to those personnel, in a language selected by the manufacturer:

Add the following two new items to the list and a new paragraph at the end of the list:

aa) the documentation shall indicate that probe assemblies to be used for MAINS measurements shall be RATED as appropriate for MEASUREMENT CATEGORY III or IV according to IEC 61010-031:2022 and shall have a voltage RATING of at least the voltage of the circuit to be measured;

bb) information about each relevant MEASUREMENT CATEGORY (see 5.1.5.101).

If the hand-held multimeter is capable of measuring in multiple MEASUREMENT CATEGORY RATINGS for the same measuring circuit, the documentation shall clearly identify the MEASUREMENT CATEGORIES where the hand-held multimeter may be used and where it shall not be used.

6 Protection against electric shock

IEC 61010-1:2010, Clause 6 and IEC 61010-1:2010/AMD1:2016, Clause 6 apply except as follows:

6.5.1 General

Replace the text, the conformity statement, and Figure 4 with the following text, conformity statement and Figure 4:

ACCESSIBLE parts shall be prevented from becoming HAZARDOUS LIVE in SINGLE FAULT CONDITION. The primary means of protection (see 6.4) shall be supplemented by one of a) or b) below. Alternatively, one of the single means of protection c) or d) below shall be used (see Figure 4 and Annex DD).

a) SUPPLEMENTARY INSULATION (see 6.5.3);

b) current- or voltage-limiting device (see 6.5.6);

c) REINFORCED INSULATION (see 6.5.3);

d) PROTECTIVE IMPEDANCE (see 6.5.4).

Conformity is checked by inspection and as specified in 6.5.3, 6.5.4, or 6.5.6, as applicable.

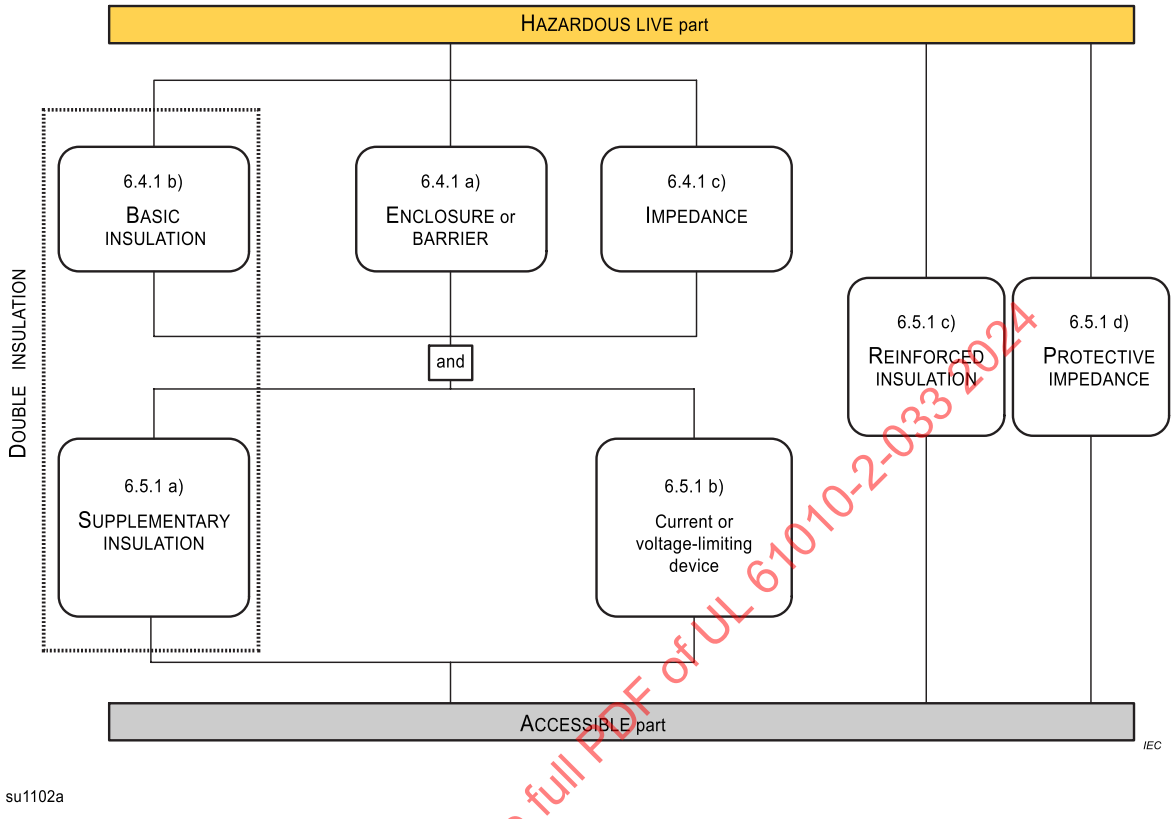

Figure 4

Acceptable arrangement of protective means against electric shock

6.5.2 Protective bonding

Replace the existing title of 6.5.2 with the following title and delete the text:

6.5.2 Not used

6.5.5 Automatic disconnection of the supply

Replace the existing title of 6.5.5 with the following title and delete the text:

6.5.5 Not used

6.6 Connections to external circuits

Add the following new subclause and table:

6.6.101 Measuring circuit TERMINALS

6.6.101.1 General

When determining the values of CREEPAGE DISTANCES for measuring circuit TERMINALS of a hand-held multimeter intended to be connected only to a hand-held probe assembly complying with IEC 61010-031:2022, or to a current sensor complying with IEC 61010-2-032:2023, the applicable values of CREEPAGE DISTANCES from material group I are allowed to be applied to all material groups.

Requirements for measuring circuit TERMINALS in unmated position, partially mated or mated position are defined respectively in 6.6.101.2, 6.6.101.3 and 6.6.101.4. Requirements for specialized measuring circuit TERMINALS are defined in 6.6.101.5.

Annex CC provides information regarding the recommended dimensions of 4 mm "banana" TERMINALS.

6.6.101.2 Measuring circuit TERMINALS in unmated position

The following requirements apply to measuring circuits TERMINALS in unmated position when RATED voltages are applied to any other TERMINALS of the hand-held multimeter.

ACCESSIBLE parts of unmated measuring circuit TERMINALS shall be insulated from HAZARDOUS LIVE parts by PROTECTIVE IMPEDANCE or CLEARANCES and CREEPAGE DISTANCES meeting the requirements of a) and b) as follows.

a) For measuring circuit TERMINALS with a voltage RATING up to 3 000 V, the CLEARANCES shall be at least the applicable values of Table 101.

Table 101
CLEARANCES for unmated measuring circuit TERMINALS

Maximum voltage applied to the conductive parts of the TERMINAL	CLEARANCE	
	a.c. r.m.s.	d.c.
V	mm	mm
600	0,8	0,8
1 000	1,0	0,8
1 500	2,0	1,1
2 000	3,2	1,8
3 000	6,4	3,5
For maximum voltages above 30 V a.c. r.m.s. or 60 V d.c. up to 600 V, CLEARANCES are 0,8 mm. Linear interpolation is allowed above 600 V. NOTE See Annex EE.		

If the hand-held multimeter is RATED to operate at an altitude greater than 2 000 m, the value of the CLEARANCE shall be multiplied by the applicable factor of Table 3.

Conformity is checked by one of the following tests:

i) inspection and measurement of CLEARANCE from the closest approach of the test finger touching the external parts of the TERMINAL in the least favourable position (see Figure 1), or

ii) the a.c. voltage test of 6.8.3.1 or the d.c. voltage test of 6.8.3.2 for TERMINAL stressed only by d.c. with a duration of at least 5 s, or the impulse voltage test of 6.8.3.3, using the applicable test voltage of Table K.16 for the required CLEARANCE.

Correction factors of Table 10 are applicable to the values of test voltages for CLEARANCES given in Table K.16.

b) The CREEPAGE DISTANCE values shall be at least the applicable CLEARANCE values defined in a) of this Subclause 6.6.101.2.

Conformity is checked by inspection and measurement of CREEPAGE DISTANCES from the closest approach of the test finger touching the external parts of TERMINAL in the least favourable position.

In addition for hand-held multimeters RATED for WET LOCATIONS, conductive parts of TERMINALS with voltage RATINGS above 16 V a.c. r.m.s., 22,6 V a.c. peak and 35 V d.c. shall not be ACCESSIBLE.

Conformity is checked by inspection and measurement.

6.6.101.3 Measuring circuit TERMINALS in partially mated position

ACCESSIBLE parts of measuring circuit TERMINALS in partially mated position shall be insulated from HAZARDOUS LIVE parts by BASIC INSULATION.

Conformity is checked by inspection and measurement.

6.6.101.4 Measuring circuit TERMINALS in mated position

ACCESSIBLE parts of measuring circuit TERMINALS in mated position which are not intended to be hand-held or touched during the measurement operation shall be insulated from HAZARDOUS LIVE parts by BASIC INSULATION.

ACCESSIBLE parts of TERMINALS in mated position of other measuring circuits shall be insulated from HAZARDOUS LIVE parts by DOUBLE INSULATION or REINFORCED INSULATION.

Conformity is checked by inspection and measurement.

6.6.101.5 Specialized measuring circuit TERMINALS

Specialized measuring circuit TERMINALS are TERMINALS intended to be connected to components, sensors, and devices.

NOTE These specialized TERMINALS include, but are not limited to, TERMINALS for thermocouple sockets.

Components, sensors, and devices intended to be connected to specialized measuring circuit TERMINALS shall not be both ACCESSIBLE and HAZARDOUS LIVE, in either NORMAL CONDITION or in SINGLE FAULT CONDITION, even when the highest RATED voltage is applied to any other measuring circuit TERMINAL.

Conformity is checked by inspection and measurement. Components, sensors, and devices intended to be connected to specialized measuring circuit TERMINALS are connected. The measurements of 6.3 are made to establish that the levels of 6.3.1 and 6.3.2 are not exceeded when each of the following voltages is applied to each of the other measuring circuit TERMINALS, if applicable:

a) highest RATED a.c. voltage at any RATED MAINS frequency;

b) highest RATED d.c. voltage;

c) highest RATED a.c. voltage at the related maximum RATED measurement frequency.

6.7.1.3 CREEPAGE DISTANCES

Add the following new paragraph after the third paragraph:

For a hand-held multimeter not powered from the MAINS or from the measuring circuit, the applicable values of CREEPAGE DISTANCES from material group I are allowed to be applied to all materials.

6.7.1.5 Requirements for insulation according to type of circuit

Replace the text with the following:

Requirements for insulation in particular types of circuits are specified as follows:

a) in 6.7.2 for MAINS CIRCUITS of OVERVOLTAGE CATEGORY II with a nominal supply voltage up to 300 V;

b) in 6.7.3 for secondary circuits separated from the circuits in a) by means of a transformer only;

c) in Clause K.1 for MAINS CIRCUITS of OVERVOLTAGE CATEGORY III or IV or for OVERVOLTAGE CATEGORY II over 300 V;

d) in Clause K.2 for secondary circuits separated from the circuits in c) by means of a transformer only;

e) in Clause K.3 for circuits that have one or more of the following characteristics:

1) the maximum possible TRANSIENT OVERVOLTAGE is limited by the supply source or within the hand-held multimeter to a known level below the level assumed for the MAINS CIRCUIT;

2) the maximum possible TRANSIENT OVERVOLTAGE is above the level assumed for the MAINS CIRCUIT;

3) the WORKING VOLTAGE is the sum of voltages from more than one circuit, or is a mixed voltage;

4) the WORKING VOLTAGE includes a recurring peak voltage that may include a periodic non-sinusoidal waveform or a non-periodic waveform that occurs with some regularity;

5) the WORKING VOLTAGE has a frequency above 30 kHz;

6) the circuit is a measuring circuit where MEASUREMENT CATEGORIES do not apply;

f) in Clause K.101 for measuring circuits RATED for MEASUREMENT CATEGORIES.

NOTE 1 See Annex I for line-to-neutral voltage pertinent to MAINS type and nominal voltage.

NOTE 2 These requirements are illustrated in the flowchart of Annex DD, Figure DD.1.

NOTE 3 See Clause K.3 for requirements for switching circuits such as a switching power supply.

The TRANSIENT OVERVOLTAGE levels for the MAINS correspond to the impulse voltage values specified in Table 102.

6.8.1 General

Replace the second and third paragraphs with the following three new paragraphs:

Test equipment for the voltage tests is specified in IEC 61180:2016.

For testing CLEARANCES of unmated TERMINALS (see 6.6.101.2 a) ii))), the reference point for application of the test voltage is determined using the test finger applied to the external parts of the TERMINAL in the least favourable position with the closest approach. Alternatively, a test probe with a tip in the shape of the test finger can be used for application of the test voltage.

For other testing, ACCESSIBLE insulating parts of the ENCLOSURE are covered with metal foil everywhere except around unmated TERMINALS. For test voltages up to 10 kV a.c. peak or 10 kV d.c., the distance from foil to TERMINAL is not more than 20 mm. For higher voltages it is the minimum to prevent flashover. For guidance on these minimum distances, see Table 9.

6.8.3.1 The a.c. voltage test

Replace the first sentence with the following sentence:

The voltage tester shall be capable of maintaining the test voltage throughout the test within ±3 % of the specified value.

6.8.3.2 The d.c. voltage test

Add a new sentence at the beginning of the first paragraph:

The voltage tester shall have a regulated output capable of maintaining the test voltage throughout the test within ±3 % of the specified value.

Add the following new subclause:

6.101 Hand-held multimeter ratings

TERMINALS of measuring circuits intended for MAINS voltage measurements shall be RATED for a minimum voltage of 300 V a.c. r.m.s. line-to-neutral or 300 V d.c., a maximum voltage of 3 000 V and a minimum MEASUREMENT CATEGORY III.

The RATED voltage of the TERMINALS of a measuring circuit intended for MAINS voltage measurements shall be equal to or higher than their RATED a.c. r.m.s. line-to-neutral or d.c. voltage.

NOTE These TERMINALS can also have RATING for other functions.

Conformity is checked by inspection.

7 Protection against mechanical HAZARDS

IEC 61010-1:2010, Clause 7 and IEC 61010-1:2010/AMD1:2016, Clause 7 apply.

8 Resistance to mechanical stresses

IEC 61010-1:2010, Clause 8 applies.

9 Protection against the spread of fire

Replace the existing title with the following title:

9 Protection against the spread of fire and arc flash

IEC 61010-1:2010, Clause 9 and IEC 61010-1:2010/AMD1:2016, Clause 9 apply except as follows:

Add the following new subclause and table:

9.101 Protection of measuring circuits

9.101.1 General

The hand-held multimeter shall provide protection against fire or arc flash resulting from NORMAL USE and REASONABLY FORESEEABLE MISUSE of measuring circuits, as specified in a) and b) below:

a) an electrical quantity that is within specification for any TERMINAL when it is applied to that TERMINAL or to any other compatible TERMINAL, with the range and function settings set in any possible manner (see 9.101.2);

b) a TEMPORARY OVERVOLTAGE or a TRANSIENT OVERVOLTAGE when it is applied on the measuring circuit TERMINALS in a voltage measurement function (see 9.101.3).

Conformity is checked as specified in 9.101.2 and 9.101.3 as applicable.

9.101.2 Protection against mismatches of inputs and ranges

9.101.2.1 General

In NORMAL CONDITION and in cases of REASONABLY FORESEEABLE MISUSE, no HAZARD shall arise when the highest RATED voltage or current of a measuring circuit TERMINAL is applied to that TERMINAL or to any other compatible TERMINAL, with any combination of function and range settings.

NOTE Mismatches of inputs and ranges are examples of REASONABLY FORESEEABLE MISUSE, even if the documentation or markings prohibit such mismatch. A typical example is inadvertent connection of a high voltage to a measuring input intended for current or resistance. Possible HAZARDS include electric shock, burns, fire, arcing and explosion.

TERMINALS that are clearly not of similar types and that will not retain the connectors of the probe assembly or the accessory do not need to be tested and TERMINALS that can only be accessed by use of a TOOL do not need to meet the requirements of this Subclause 9.101.2.1.

The hand-held multimeter shall provide protection against these HAZARDS. One of the following techniques in a) or b) shall be used:

a) use of a certified overcurrent protection device to interrupt short-circuit currents before a HAZARD arises (see 9.101.2.2);

b) use of an uncertified current limitation device, an impedance, or a combination of both to prevent the HAZARD from arising (see 9.101.2.3).

Conformity is checked by inspection, evaluation of the design of the hand-held multimeter, and as specified in 9.101.2.2 and 9.101.2.3, as applicable.

9.101.2.2 Protection by a certified overcurrent protection device

An overcurrent protection device is considered suitable if it is certified by a recognized testing authority and if all of the following requirements in a) to c) are met.

a) The a.c. and d.c. RATED voltages of the overcurrent protection device shall be at least as high as, respectively, the highest a.c. and d.c. RATED voltages of any measuring circuit TERMINAL on the hand-held multimeter.

b) The RATED time-current characteristic (speed) of the overcurrent protection device shall be such that no HAZARD will result from any possible combination of RATED input voltages, TERMINALS, and range selection.

NOTE In practice, downstream circuit elements such as components and printed wiring board traces are selected to be able to withstand the energy that the overcurrent protection device will let through.

c) The a.c. and d.c. RATED breaking capacities of the overcurrent protection device shall exceed, respectively, the possible a.c. and d.c. short-circuit currents.

The possible a.c. and d.c. short-circuit currents shall be calculated as the highest RATED voltages for any TERMINAL divided by the impedance of the overcurrent-protected measuring circuit, taking the impedance of the test leads specified in 9.101.2.4 into account.

The possible a.c. short-circuit current does not need to exceed the applicable values of Table AA.1.

Additionally, spacings surrounding the overcurrent protection device in the hand-held multimeter and following the protection device in the measuring circuit shall be sufficiently large to prevent arcing after the protection device opens.

Conformity is checked by inspection of the RATING of the overcurrent protection device and by the following test.

If the protection device is a fuse, it is replaced with an open-circuited fuse. If the protection device is a circuit-breaker, it is set to its open position. A voltage of two times the highest RATED voltage for any TERMINAL is applied to the TERMINALS of the overcurrent-protected measuring circuit for 1 min. During and after the test, no damage to the hand-held multimeter shall occur.

9.101.2.3 Protection by uncertified current limitation devices or by impedances

Devices used for current limitation shall be capable of safely withstanding, dissipating, or interrupting the energy that will result from the application of the maximum RATED voltage of any compatible TERMINAL in NORMAL CONDITION and in the event of REASONABLY FORESEEABLE MISUSE.

An impedance used for limitation of current shall be an appropriate single component as specified in a) or a combination of components as specified in b).

a) An appropriate single component which is constructed, selected, and tested so that safety and reliability for protection against relevant HAZARDS is ensured. In particular, the component shall:

1) be RATED for the maximum voltage that may be present in NORMAL CONDITION or during the REASONABLY FORESEEABLE MISUSE event;

2) if a resistor, be RATED for twice the power or energy dissipation that may occur in NORMAL CONDITION or from the REASONABLY FORESEEABLE MISUSE event;

3) meet the applicable CLEARANCE and CREEPAGE DISTANCE requirements of Annex K for BASIC INSULATION between its terminations.

b) A combination of components which shall:

1) withstand the maximum voltage that may be present in NORMAL CONDITION or during the REASONABLY FORESEEABLE MISUSE event;

2) be able to dissipate the power or energy that may occur in NORMAL CONDITION or from the REASONABLY FORESEEABLE MISUSE event;

3) meet the applicable CLEARANCE and CREEPAGE DISTANCE requirements of Annex K for BASIC INSULATION between the terminations of the combination of components.

NOTE 1 The CLEARANCES and CREEPAGE DISTANCES take into account the WORKING VOLTAGE across each insulation.

Conformity is checked by inspection and by the following test, performed three times on the same unit of hand-held multimeter. If the test results in heating of any component, the hand-held multimeter is allowed to cool before the test is repeated.

The possible a.c. and d.c. short-circuit currents are calculated as the highest RATED voltage for any TERMINAL divided by the impedance of the current-limited measuring circuit, taking the impedance of the test leads specified in 9.101.2.4 into account. For MEASUREMENT CATEGORIES III, the possible a.c. short-circuit current should not exceed the values in Table AA.1.

A voltage equal to the highest RATED voltage for any TERMINAL is applied between the TERMINALS of the measuring circuit for 1 min. The source of the test voltage shall be able to deliver a current of at least the possible a.c. or d.c. short-circuit current as applicable. If the function or range controls have any effect on the electrical characteristics of the input circuit, the test is repeated with the function or range controls in every combination of positions, including during the change of function or range. During the test, the voltage output of the source is measured. If the source voltage decreases by more than 20 % for more than 10 ms, the test is considered inconclusive and is repeated with a lower impedance source.

During and after the test, no HAZARD shall arise, nor shall there be any evidence of fire, arcing, explosion, or damage to current limitation devices, impedances or any component intended to provide protection against electric shock, heat, arc or fire, including the ENCLOSURE and traces on the printed wiring board, except for fuses which can open.

NOTE 2 This test can be extremely hazardous. Explosion shields and other provisions can be used to protect personnel performing the test.

9.101.2.3 DV D2 *Modification of 9.101.2.3: Add the following paragraph:*

If the function or range controls have any effect on the electrical characteristics of the input circuit, the test shall be repeated with these controls being changed to all possible settings while the input TERMINALS are connected to the maximum RATED source.

9.101.2.4 Test leads for the tests

The tests of 9.101.2.2 and 9.101.2.3 shall be performed with all test leads that are specified or supplied by the manufacturer for use with the hand-held multimeter and if the manufacturer has not specified the test leads, the tests shall be performed with test leads that meet the following specifications in a) to e):

a) length of each test lead = 1,0 m;

b) cross section of the conductor = 1,5 mm^2, stranded copper wire (a conductor with a 16 AWG (American Wire Gauge) cross section is acceptable);

c) connector compatible with the measuring circuit TERMINALS;

d) connection to the test voltage source via a bare wire into suitable screw TERMINALS or thimble connectors (twist-on wire connectors) or equivalent means of providing a low impedance connection;

e) arranged as straight as possible.

Test leads built to these specifications will have a d.c. resistance of about 15 mΩ each, or 30 mΩ per pair. For the purposes of calculation of possible fault current in 9.101.2.2 and 9.101.2.3, the value of 30 mΩ can be used for these test leads.

If the manufacturer-supplied test leads are permanently connected to the hand-held multimeter, then the attached test leads supplied by the manufacturer shall be used without modification.

When the test procedures of 6.8.3 are applied to the hand-held multimeter, the test leads can be the test leads supplied with the test generator without modification.

9.101.3 Protection against MAINS overvoltages

Voltage measuring circuits RATED for MEASUREMENT CATEGORIES shall have CLEARANCES and CREEPAGE DISTANCES for BASIC INSULATION between MAINS-connected conductive parts of opposite polarity including between the terminations of the devices or components used for limiting the current.

Conformity is checked by inspection and measurement.

In addition, these voltage measuring circuits shall take into consideration expected TRANSIENT OVERVOLTAGES.

Conformity is checked by the following impulse voltage test using the applicable values of Table 102.

The impulse voltage is applied between each pair of TERMINALS RATED for MAINS voltage measurements while the circuit is working under conditions of NORMAL USE, in combination with the MAINS voltage. The voltage measurement function selectors are set for the proper function and range.

The impulse voltage test is conducted for five impulses of each polarity spaced up to 1 min apart, from a combination wave generator according to IEC 61000-4-5:2014, 6.2. The generator produces an open-circuit voltage waveform of 1,2/50 µs, a short-circuit current waveform of 8/20 µs, with an output impedance (peak open-circuit voltage divided by peak short-circuit current) of 2 Ω maximum for MEASUREMENT CATEGORIES III and IV. Resistance may be added in series if needed to raise the impedance.

The MAINS voltage used for the test is the maximum RATED line-to-neutral voltage of the MAINS being measured. For measuring circuits RATED for MAINS voltages above 400 V a.c. r.m.s. line-to- neutral or 400 V d.c., the test may be performed with an available MAINS voltage source that has a voltage of at least 400 V a.c. r.m.s. or 400 V d.c. The MAINS voltage source does not, in this case, need to match the measuring circuit RATING. For measuring circuits RATED for MAINS in d.c., an a.c. source can be used. When an a.c. source is used, the impulses are synchronized with the MAINS voltage phase, timed to occur at the peak of the MAINS voltage, and to be of the same polarity as the cycle, with a phase tolerance of ±10° (see IEC 61000-4-5:2014, 6.2).

NOTE 1 This test can be extremely hazardous. Explosion shields and other provisions can be used to protect personnel performing the test.

No HAZARD shall arise. No flashover of CLEARANCES or breakdown of solid insulation shall occur during the test, but partial discharges are allowed. Partial discharge will be indicated by a step in the resulting wave shape which will occur earlier in successive impulses. Breakdown on the first impulse may either indicate a complete failure of the insulation system or the operation of overvoltage limiting devices in the hand-held multimeter. If overvoltage limiting devices are present, they shall not rupture or overheat during the test. Tripping the circuit breaker of the MAINS installation is an indication of failure. If the results of the test are questionable or inconclusive, the test is to be repeated two more times.

NOTE 2 Partial discharges in voids can lead to partial notches of extremely short durations in the wave shape which can be repeated in the course of an impulse.

Table 102
Impulse voltages for circuits connected to MAINS

Nominal a.c. r.m.s line-to-neutral or d.c. voltage of MAINS being measured	Impulse voltage V peak	
V	MEASUREMENT CATEGORY III	MEASUREMENT CATEGORY IV
≤ 150	2 500	4 000
> 150 ≤ 300	4 000	6 000
> 300 ≤ 600	6 000	8 000
> 600 ≤ 1 000	8 000	12 000
> 1 000 ≤ 1 500	10 000	15 000
> 1 500 ≤ 2 000	15 000	18 000
> 2 000 ≤ 3 000	18 000	20 000
Values up to 1 000 V are from IEC 60664-1:2020, Table F.1. Values over 1 000 V are from IEC TS 62993:2017, Table 1.		

10 Equipment temperature limits and resistance to heat

IEC 61010-1:2010, Clause 10 and IEC 61010-1:2010/AMD1:2016, Clause 10 apply.

11 Protection against HAZARDS from fluids and solid foreign objects

IEC 61010-1:2010, Clause 11 and IEC 61010-1:2010/AMD1:2016, Clause 11 apply.

12 Protection against radiation, including laser sources, and against sonic and ultrasonic pressure

IEC 61010-1:2010, Clause 12 and IEC 61010-1:2010/AMD1:2016, Clause 12 apply.

13 Protection against liberated gases and substances, explosion and implosion

IEC 61010-1:2010, Clause 13 and IEC 61010-1:2010/AMD1:2016, Clause 13 apply.

14 Components and subassemblies

IEC 61010-1:2010, Clause 14 and IEC 61010-1:2010/AMD1:2016, Clause 14 apply except as follows:

14.8 Circuits used to limit TRANSIENT OVERVOLTAGES

Replace the existing title of 14.8 with the following title and delete the text:

14.8 Not used

Add the following new subclause:

14.101 Probe assemblies and accessories

Probe assemblies and accessories within the scope of IEC 61010-031:2022 and current sensors within the scope of IEC 61010-2-032:2023 shall meet the requirements thereof.

At minimum, one set of the test leads supplied with the hand-held multimeter shall be RATED according to IEC 61010-031:2022 for at least the highest voltage and MEASUREMENT CATEGORIES of the hand-held multimeter.

Conformity is checked by inspection of the documentation or by carrying out all the relevant tests of IEC 61010-031:2022 or IEC 61010-2-032:2023 as applicable.

15 Protection by interlocks

IEC 61010-1:2010, Clause 15 applies.

16 HAZARDS resulting from application

IEC 61010-1:2010, Clause 16 applies.

17 RISK assessment

IEC 61010-1:2010, Clause 17 applies.

Add the following new clause:

101 Measuring circuits

101.1 General

The hand-held multimeter shall provide protection against HAZARDS resulting from NORMAL USE and REASONABLY FORESEEABLE MISUSE of measuring circuits, as specified in a) to c) below:

a) a current measuring circuit which could interrupt the circuit being measured during range changing, or during the use of current transformers without internal protection (see 101.2);

b) a displayed voltage value which can be incorrect or ambiguous (see 101.3);

c) other HAZARDS that could result from REASONABLY FORESEEABLE MISUSE shall be addressed by RISK assessment (see Clause 16 and Clause 17).

Any interconnection between the hand-held multimeter and other devices or accessories intended to be used with the hand-held multimeter shall not cause a HAZARD even if the documentation or markings prohibit the interconnection while the hand-held multimeter is used for measurement purposes (see 6.6).

Conformity is checked as specified in 6.6, Clause 16, Clause 17, 101.2 and 101.3 as applicable.

101.2 Current measuring circuits

Current measuring circuits shall be so designed that, when range changing takes place, there shall be no interruption which could cause a HAZARD.

Conformity is checked by inspection, and when an interruption of the current measuring circuit may occur, by causing the device to switch the maximum RATED current 6 000 times.

When the secondary circuit of a current transformer is disconnected from its burden, a high voltage can appear between the ends of the open circuit, and could lead to a hazardous situation.

Current measuring circuits intended for connection to current transformers without internal protection shall be adequately protected to prevent a HAZARD arising from interruption of these circuits during operation.

Conformity is checked by an overload test at a value of 10 times the maximum RATED current for 1 s, and, if applicable, by causing the hand-held multimeter to switch the maximum RATED current 6 000 times. No interruption which could cause a HAZARD shall occur during the tests.

101.3 Indicating devices

101.3.1 General

No HAZARD shall occur from reading a voltage value when the hand-held multimeter is operated for measuring MAINS voltages and in the event of REASONABLY FORESEEABLE MISUSE.

A displayed voltage value is considered to be unambiguous when the value is less than 10 % inaccurate, or if there is an indication when the value is out of range, or if there is a clear indication that the value is not correct. A display off is also considered to be unambiguous.

The tests of 101.3.2, 101.3.3 and 101.3.4 shall be performed when relevant.

The a.c. r.m.s. voltages applied to the TERMINALS during the tests have a frequency of 50 Hz or 60 Hz.

101.3.2 Battery level

A voltage value displayed by the hand-held multimeter shall not be affected by the expected variation of its battery voltage.

Conformity is checked by the following test:

For each measuring circuit TERMINAL RATED for MAINS voltage measurements, the voltage in the dashed list below is applied to these TERMINALS.

– a.c. measurement TERMINALS are connected to 60 V a.c. r.m.s.

– d.c. measurement TERMINALS are connected to 120 V d.c.

The supply voltage of the d.c. source connected to the battery connectors decreases by no more than 20 mV/s from the maximum battery voltage to zero. The d.c. source used for this test shall be the batteries or similar source while the impedance of the batteries and ripple-free conditions are taken into account. The test terminates when the display turns off.

The displayed voltage values during the test shall be unambiguous.

NOTE See 101.3.1 for the meaning of the term "unambiguous".

101.3.3 Over-range indication

The hand-held multimeter shall be able to display unambiguously over-range voltage values whenever the value is above the maximum absolute value of the range to which the hand-held multimeter is set.

NOTE Examples of ambiguous indications include the following, unless there is a separate unambiguous indication of an over-range value:

a) analogue hand-held multimeter which stops at the exact ends of the range;

b) digital hand-held multimeter which shows a low value when the true value is above the range maximum (for example 1 001,5 V displayed as 001,5 V).

Conformity is checked by the following test:

An over-range voltage is applied to the measuring circuit TERMINALS RATED for MAINS voltage measurements set to each voltage measurement range.

The value of the over-range voltage applied to the TERMINALS is set at 110 % of the RATED voltage measurement range. For measurements RATED for d.c., the over-range voltage is applied with positive and negative polarities.

The displayed voltage values during the test shall be unambiguous.

101.3.4 Permanent overvoltages

The hand-held multimeter shall be able to withstand permanent overvoltages and continue to give an unambiguous indication of any HAZARDOUS LIVE voltages up to the maximum RATED voltage.

NOTE 1 Subclause 9.101.3 provides requirements for protection against HAZARDS from TRANSIENT OVERVOLTAGES.

Conformity is checked by the following test:

An overvoltage is applied for 5 min to the measuring circuit TERMINALS RATED for MAINS voltage measurements of the hand-held multimeter set to each voltage measurement range.

The value of the overvoltage applied to the TERMINALS is based on the TERMINALS' RATED voltage between the TERMINALS:

a) when the TERMINALS' RATED voltage value is up to 1 000 V a.c. r.m.s., the overvoltage value is the TERMINALS' RATED voltage value multiplied by 1,9 but without exceeding 1 100 V a.c. r.m.s.;

b) when the TERMINALS' RATED voltage value is above 1 000 V a.c. r.m.s. the overvoltage value is the RATED voltage value multiplied by 1,1;

c) when the TERMINALS' RATED voltage is d.c., the overvoltage value is the RATED voltage value multiplied by 1,1.

NOTE 2 The 1,9 multiplication factor is derived from phase-to-phase voltage measurements with a 10 % overvoltage condition.

The above test may need to be repeated at any combination of settings, TERMINALS and voltage RATINGS.

After each overvoltage has been applied, each measuring circuit TERMINAL RATED for MAINS voltage measurements shall in turn:

1) measure a voltage of 60 V a.c. r.m.s. or 120 V d.c. based on the measurement TERMINAL input type;

2) measure a voltage equal to the maximum RATED voltage for the measurement TERMINAL under test.

The displayed voltage values shall be unambiguous.

Annexes

All annexes of IEC 61010-1:2010 and IEC 61010-1:2010/AMD1:2016 apply except as follows.

Annex K
(normative)

Insulation requirements not covered by 6.7

K.2 Insulation in secondary circuits

K.2.1 General

Delete the note.

Add the following two new paragraphs and the example at the end of Subclause K.2.1:

The maximum TRANSIENT OVERVOLTAGE level of earthed secondary circuit is assumed to be one level lower from the series of impulse voltages of Table 102 for the considered nominal a.c. r.m.s. line-to-neutral or d.c. voltage of the primary MAINS CIRCUIT with the same OVERVOLTAGE CATEGORY or MEASUREMENT CATEGORY.

EXAMPLE If the nominal a.c. r.m.s. line-to-neutral voltage of MAINS being measured is 2 000 V in MEASUREMENT CATEGORY III, the applicable impulse voltage is 15 000 V and the lower level is 10 000 V.

CLEARANCES for secondary circuits are determined:

1) for earthed secondary circuits, by the method in K.2.2 or in K.3.2 using the lower TRANSIENT OVERVOLTAGE value of one level, or

2) for all secondary circuits, by the method in K.3.2 using the U_t value defined in IEC 61010-2-030:2023, Clause K.3.

K.3 Insulation in circuits not addressed in 6.7, Clause K.1 or Clause K.2

Replace the existing title of Clause K.3 with the following:

K.3 Insulation in circuits not addressed in 6.7, Clause K.1, Clause K.2 or Clause K.101, and for measuring circuits where MEASUREMENT CATEGORIES do not apply

K.3.1 General

Replace the text with the following:

The circuits covered by this Clause K.3 have one or more of the following characteristics in a) to f):

a) the circuit is a measuring circuit where MEASUREMENT CATEGORIES do not apply;

b) the maximum possible TRANSIENT OVERVOLTAGE is above the level from the series of impulse voltages of Table K.101, assumed for the MAINS CIRCUIT;

c) the maximum possible TRANSIENT OVERVOLTAGE is limited by the supply source or within the hand-held multimeter to a known level below the level assumed for the MAINS CIRCUIT;

d) the working voltage is the sum of voltages from more than one circuit, or is a mixed voltage;

e) the working voltage includes a recurring peak voltage that may include a periodic non-sinusoidal waveform or a non-periodic waveform that occurs with some regularity;

f) the working voltage has a frequency above 30 kHz.

In cases a) to d), CLEARANCES are determined according to K.3.2.

In cases e) and f), CLEARANCES are determined according to K.3.3.

NOTE 1 CLEARANCES for measuring circuit TERMINALS are defined in 6.6.101.

In all cases, K.3.4 addresses CREEPAGE DISTANCES and K.3.5 solid insulation.

NOTE 2 These requirements are illustrated in the flowchart of Annex DD, Figure DD.1.

K.3.2 CLEARANCE calculation

Replace the existing conformity statement, Table K.15, Table K.16 and Note 2 (including Example 1 and Example 2) with the following new conformity statement, Table K.15, Table K.16 and Note 2 (including a new example).

Conformity is checked by inspection and measurement, or by the a.c. voltage test of 6.8.3.1 with a duration of at least 5 s, or by the d.c. voltage test of 6.8.3.2 for measuring circuits stressed only by d.c. with a duration of at least 5 s, or by the impulse voltage test of 6.8.3.3, using the applicable test voltage of Table K.16 for the required CLEARANCE.

Correction factors of Table 10 are applicable to the values of test voltages.

Table K.15
CLEARANCE values for the calculation of K.3.2

Maximum voltage	CLEARANCE		Maximum voltage	CLEARANCE	
U_m	D_1	D_2	U_m	D_1	D_2
V	mm	mm	V	mm	mm
14,1 to 266	0,010	0,010	4 000	3,00	3,80
283	0,010	0,010	4 530	3,53	4,80
330	0,010	0,010	5 660	4,99	7,15
354	0,012	0,013	6 000	5,50	7,90
453	0,030	0,030	7 070	6,84	9,55
500	0,040	0,040	8 000	8,00	11,0
566	0,053	0,053	8 910	9,37	12,9
707	0,081	0,097	11 300	13,0	17,7
800	0,10	0,13	14 100	16,8	23,2
891	0,12	0,19	17 700	21,8	29,9
1 130	0,22	0,36	22 600	29,2	39,2
1 410	0,43	0,66	28 300	37,6	51,3
1 500	0,50	0,76	35 400	50,8	66,9
1 770	0,77	1,04	45 300	68,0	89,2
2 260	1,26	1,55	56 600	85,0	115
2 500	1,50	1,80	70 700	111	148
2 830	1,83	2,20	89 100	148	190
3 540	2,54	3,16	100 000	170	215

Linear interpolation is allowed.

NOTE See Annex EE.

Table K.16
Test voltages based on CLEARANCES

Required CLEARANCE mm	Impulse 1,2/50 µs V peak	a.c. r.m.s. 50/60 Hz V	a.c. peak 50/60 Hz or d.c. V	Required CLEARANCE mm	Impulse 1,2/50 µs V peak	a.c. r.m.s. 50/60 Hz V	a.c. peak 50/60 Hz or d.c. V
0,010	330	230	330	16,5	14 000	7 600	10 700
0,025	440	310	440	17,0	14 300	7 800	11 000
0,040	520	370	520	17,5	14 700	8 000	11 300
0,063	600	420	600	18,0	15 000	8 200	11 600
0,1	806	500	700	19,0	15 800	8 600	12 100
0,2	1 140	620	880	20	16 400	9 000	12 700
0,3	1 310	710	1 010	25	19 900	10 800	15 300
0,5	1 550	840	1 200	30	23 300	12 600	17 900
1,0	1 950	1 060	1 500	35	26 500	14 400	20 400
1,4	2 440	1 330	1 880	40	29 700	16 200	22 900
2,0	3 100	1 690	2 400	45	32 900	17 900	25 300
2,5	3 600	1 960	2 770	50	36 000	19 600	27 700
3,0	4 070	2 210	3 130	55	39 000	21 200	30 000
3,5	4 510	2 450	3 470	60	42 000	22 900	32 300
4,0	4 930	2 680	3 790	65	45 000	24 500	34 600
4,5	5 330	2 900	4 100	70	47 900	26 100	36 900
5,0	5 720	3 110	4 400	75	50 900	27 700	39 100
5,5	6 100	3 320	4 690	80	53 700	29 200	41 300
6,0	6 500	3 520	4 970	85	56 610	30 800	43 500
6,5	6 800	3 710	5 250	90	59 400	32 300	45 700
7,0	7 200	3 900	5 510	95	62 200	33 800	47 900
7,5	7 500	4 080	5 780	100	65 000	35 400	50 000
8,0	7 800	4 300	6 030	110	70 500	38 400	54 200
8,5	8 200	4 400	6 300	120	76 000	41 300	58 400
9,0	8 500	4 600	6 500	130	81 300	44 200	62 600
9,5	8 800	4 800	6 800	140	86 600	47 100	66 700
10,0	9 100	4 950	7 000	150	91 900	50 000	70 700
10,5	9 500	5 200	7 300	160	97 100	52 800	74 700
11,0	9 900	5 400	7 600	170	102 300	55 600	78 700
11,5	10 300	5 600	7 900	180	107 400	58 400	82 600
12,0	10 600	5 800	8 200	190	112 500	61 200	86 500
12,5	11 000	6 000	8 500	200	117 500	63 900	90 400
13,0	11 400	6 200	8 800	210	122 500	66 600	94 200
13,5	11 800	6 400	9 000	220	127 500	69 300	98 000
14,0	12 100	6 600	9 300	230	132 500	72 000	102 000
14,5	12 500	6 800	9 600	240	137 300	74 700	106 000
15,0	12 900	7 000	9 900	250	142 200	77 300	109 400
15,5	13 200	7 200	10 200	264	149 000	81 100	115 000
16,0	13 600	7 400	10 500				
Linear interpolation is allowed.							

NOTE 2 An example of calculations is given below.

EXAMPLE CLEARANCE for REINFORCED INSULATION for a WORKING VOLTAGE with peak value of 3 500 V and an additional transient voltage of 4 500 V (this can be expected within an electronic switching-circuit).

D_{BI} is the clearance for basic insulation.

D_{RI} is the CLEARANCE for REINFORCED INSULATION.

U_m is the maximum voltage:

$U_m = U_w + U_t = (3\,500 + 4\,500)\ V = 8\,000\ V$

$U_w / U_m = 3\,500 / 8\,000 = 0{,}44 > 0{,}2$

thus $F = (1{,}25 \times U_w / U_m) - 0{,}25 = (1{,}25 \times 3\,500 / 8\,000) - 0{,}25 = 0{,}297$

D_1 and D_2 values are derived from Table K.15 at 8 000 V:

$D_1 = 8{,}00$ mm, $D_2 = 11{,}0$ mm

$D_{BI} = D_1 + F \times (D_2 - D_1) = 8{,}00 + 0{,}297 \times (11{,}0 - 8{,}00) = 8{,}00 + 0{,}89 = 8{,}89$ mm

CLEARANCE for REINFORCED INSULATION is doubled: $D_{RI} = 2 \times D_{BI} = 17{,}8$ mm.

K.4 Reduction of TRANSIENT OVERVOLTAGES by the use of overvoltage limiting devices

Replace the existing title of Clause K.4 with the following title and delete the text:

K.4 Not used

Add the following new clause and four tables:

K.101 Insulation requirements for measuring circuits RATED for MEASUREMENT CATEGORIES

K.101.1 General

Measuring circuits are subjected to WORKING VOLTAGES and transient stresses from the circuits to which they are connected during measurement or test. When the measuring circuit is used to measure MAINS, the transient stresses can be estimated by the location within the installation at which the measurement is performed. When the measuring circuit is used to measure any other electrical signal, the transient stresses shall be considered by the OPERATOR to ensure that they do not exceed the capabilities of the hand-held multimeter.

MEASUREMENT CATEGORIES take into account OVERVOLTAGE CATEGORIES, short-circuit current levels, the location where the test or measurement is to be made and some forms of energy limitation or transient protection included in the building installation. When the measuring circuit is used to connect to MAINS, there is a RISK of arc blast. MEASUREMENT CATEGORIES in accordance with Annex AA define the amount of energy available, which may contribute to arc flash (see also BB.2.3).

K.101.2 CLEARANCES

For hand-held multimeters intended to be powered from the circuit being measured, CLEARANCES for the MAINS CIRCUIT shall be designed according to the requirements of the RATED MEASUREMENT CATEGORY, but overvoltage limiting devices may be used to reduce the TRANSIENT OVERVOLTAGES to a level consistent with a lower MEASUREMENT CATEGORY. Additional marking requirements are given in 5.1.5.2 and 5.1.5.101.

CLEARANCES of measuring circuits RATED for MEASUREMENT CATEGORIES are specified in Table K.101.

NOTE See Annex I for line-to-neutral voltages for common MAINS.

If the hand-held multimeter is RATED to operate at an altitude greater than 2 000 m, the values for CLEARANCES shall be multiplied by the applicable factor of Table K.1.

For BASIC INSULATION, SUPPLEMENTARY INSULATION and REINFORCED INSULATION, the minimum CLEARANCE for POLLUTION DEGREE 2 is 0,2 mm and for POLLUTION DEGREE 3 is 0,8 mm.

Table K.101
CLEARANCES for measuring circuits RATED for MEASUREMENT CATEGORIES

Nominal a.c. r.m.s. line-to-neutral or d.c. voltage of MAINS being measured	CLEARANCE mm			
	BASIC INSULATION and SUPPLEMENTARY INSULATION		REINFORCED INSULATION	
V	MEASUREMENT CATEGORY III	MEASUREMENT CATEGORY IV	MEASUREMENT CATEGORY III	MEASUREMENT CATEGORY IV
≤ 300	3,0	5,5	6,0	10,4
> 300 ≤ 600	5,5	8,0	10,4	15
> 600 ≤ 1 000	8,0	14,0	15,0	23,9
> 1 000 ≤ 1 500	11,0	18,0	22,0	36
> 1 500 ≤ 2 000	18,0	22,0	36	44
> 2 000 ≤ 3 000	22,0	25,0	44	50

Conformity is checked by inspection and measurement or by the a.c. voltage test of 6.8.3.1 with a duration of at least 5 s, or by the d.c. voltage test of 6.8.3.2 for measuring circuits stressed only by d.c. with a duration of at least 5 s, or by the impulse voltage test of 6.8.3.3, using the applicable test voltage of Table K.16 for the required CLEARANCE.

K.101.3 CREEPAGE DISTANCES

The requirements of K.2.3 apply.

Conformity is checked as specified in K.2.3.

K.101.4 Solid insulation

K.101.4.1 General

Solid insulation shall withstand the electrical and mechanical stresses that may occur in NORMAL USE, in all RATED environmental conditions (see 1.4), during the intended life of the hand-held multimeter.

Conformity is checked by both of the following tests:

a) the impulse voltage test of 6.8.3.3 using the applicable test voltage of Table K.102 or, as an alternative, the a.c. voltage test of 6.8.3.1 using the applicable test voltage of Table K.103 with a duration of at least 5 s;

b) for measuring circuits stressed by a.c. or a.c. plus d.c. voltage, the a.c. voltage test of 6.8.3.1 or for measuring circuits stressed only by pure d.c. voltage, the d.c. voltage test of 6.8.3.2, using the test voltage determined by K.101.4.2 with a duration of at least 1 min.

NOTE Test a) checks the effects of TRANSIENT OVERVOLTAGES, while test b) checks the effects of long-term stress of solid insulation.

Table K.102
Impulse test voltages for testing electric strength of solid insulation for measuring circuits RATED for MEASUREMENT CATEGORIES

Nominal a.c. r.m.s. line-to-neutral or d.c. voltage of MAINS being measured V	Impulse test voltage V peak			
	BASIC INSULATION and SUPPLEMENTARY INSULATION		REINFORCED INSULATION	
	MEASUREMENT CATEGORY III	MEASUREMENT CATEGORY IV	MEASUREMENT CATEGORY III	MEASUREMENT CATEGORY IV
≤ 300	4 000	6 000	6 400	9 600
> 300 ≤ 600	6 000	8 000	9 600	12 800
> 600 ≤ 1 000	8 000	12 000	12 800	19 200
> 1 000 ≤ 1 500	10 000	15 000	17 900	27 100
> 1 500 ≤ 2 000	15 000	18 000	27 100	32 000
> 2 000 ≤ 3 000	18 000	20 000	32 000	36 000

Table K.103
a.c. test voltages for testing electric strength of solid insulation for measuring circuits RATED for MEASUREMENT CATEGORIES

Nominal a.c. r.m.s. line-to-neutral or d.c. voltage of MAINS being measured V	a.c. test voltage V			
	BASIC INSULATION and SUPPLEMENTARY INSULATION		REINFORCED INSULATION	
	MEASUREMENT CATEGORY III	MEASUREMENT CATEGORY IV	MEASUREMENT CATEGORY III	MEASUREMENT CATEGORY IV
≤ 300	2 200	3 300	3 500	5 100
> 300 ≤ 600	3 300	4 300	5 100	7 000
> 600 ≤ 1 000	4 300	6 600	7 000	10 000
> 1 000 ≤ 1 500	5 400	8 200	9 700	15 000
> 1 500 ≤ 2 000	8 200	9 700	15 000	18 000
> 2 000 ≤ 3 000	9 700	11 000	18 000	20 000

K.101.4.2 Long-term stress test voltage value calculation

Test voltage values for testing the long-term stress of solid insulation are determined as follows.

The test voltage value for BASIC INSULATION and SUPPLEMENTARY INSULATION is calculated with the following formula:

$$U_T = A \times U_N + B$$

where

U_T is the a.c. or d.c. test voltage;

U_N is the nominal a.c. r.m.s. line-to-neutral or d.c. voltage of MAINS being measured;

A and *B* are parameters determined as follows:

when $U_N \leq 1\,000$ V, $A = 1$ and $B = 1\,200$ V
when $U_N > 1\,000$ V, $A = 1{,}5$ and $B = 750$ V

NOTE Parameter values up to 1 000 V are derived from IEC 60364-4-44:2007, 442.2.2 and parameter values over 1 000 V are derived from IEC TS 62993:2017, 6.1.3.1.

For REINFORCED INSULATION, the test voltage value is twice the value for BASIC INSULATION.

K.101.4.3 Constructional requirements

K.101.4.3.1 General

Solid insulation shall also meet the following requirements, as applicable:

1) for solid insulation used as an ENCLOSURE or PROTECTIVE BARRIER, the requirements of Clause 8 apply;

2) for moulded and potted parts, the requirements of K.101.4.3.2 apply;

3) for insulating layers of printed wiring boards, the requirements of K.101.4.3.3 apply;

4) for thin-film insulation, the requirements of K.101.4.3.4 apply.

Conformity is checked as specified in K.101.4.3.2 to K.101.4.3.4, and Clause 8, as applicable.

K.101.4.3.2 Moulded and potted parts

For BASIC INSULATION, SUPPLEMENTARY INSULATION, and REINFORCED INSULATION, conductors located between the same two layers moulded together (see Figure K.1, item *L*) shall be separated by at least the applicable minimum distance of Table K.104 after the moulding is completed.

Conformity is checked by inspection and either by measurement of the separation or by inspection of the manufacturer's specifications.

K.101.4.3.3 Insulating layers of printed wiring boards

For BASIC INSULATION, SUPPLEMENTARY INSULATION and REINFORCED INSULATION, conductors located between the same two layers (see Figure K.2, item *L*) shall be separated by at least the applicable minimum distance of Table K.104.

Conformity is checked by inspection and either by measurement of the separation or by inspection of the manufacturer's specifications.

Table K.104
Minimum values for distance or thickness of solid insulation for measuring circuits RATED for MEASUREMENT CATEGORIES

a.c. r.m.s. line-to-neutral or d.c. voltage V	Minimum thickness [a] mm	Minimum distance *L* (see Figure K.1 and Figure K.2) [a, b] mm
≤ 300	0,4	0,4
> 300 ≤ 600	0,6	0,6

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a.c. r.m.s. line-to-neutral or d.c. voltage V	Minimum thickness [a] mm	Minimum distance *L* (see Figure K.1 and Figure K.2) [a, b] mm
> 600	1,0	1,0

[a] This value is independent of the MEASUREMENT CATEGORY.

[b] This value applies for BASIC INSULATION, SUPPLEMENTARY INSULATION and REINFORCED INSULATION.

REINFORCED INSULATION of inner insulating layers of printed wiring boards shall also have adequate electric strength through the respective layers. One of the following methods shall be used.

a) The thickness through the insulation is at least the applicable value of Table K.104.

Conformity is checked by inspection and either by measurement of the separation or by inspection of the manufacturer's specifications.

b) The insulation is assembled from at least two separate layers of printed wiring board materials, each of which is RATED by the manufacturer of the material for an electric strength of at least the value of the applicable test voltage for BASIC INSULATION of Table K.102 or Table K.103 with a duration of at least 5 s.

Conformity is checked by inspection of the manufacturer's specifications.

c) The insulation is assembled from at least two separate layers of printed wiring board materials, and the combination of layers is RATED by the manufacturer of the material for an electric strength of at least the value of the applicable test voltage for REINFORCED INSULATION of Table K.102 or Table K.103 with a duration of at least 5 s.

Conformity is checked by inspection of the manufacturer's specifications.

K.101.4.3.4 Thin-film insulation

For BASIC INSULATION, SUPPLEMENTARY INSULATION and REINFORCED INSULATION, conductors located between the same two layers (see Figure K.3, item *L*) shall be separated by at least the applicable CLEARANCE and CREEPAGE DISTANCE of K.101.2 and K.101.3.

Conformity is checked by inspection and either by measurement of the separation or by inspection of the manufacturer's specifications.

REINFORCED INSULATION through the layers of thin-film insulation shall also have adequate electric strength. One of the following methods shall be used.

a) The thickness through the insulation is at least the applicable value of Table K.104.

Conformity is checked by inspection and either by measurement of the separation or by inspection of the manufacturer's specifications.

b) The insulation consists of at least two separate layers of thin-film materials, each of which is RATED by the manufacturer of the material for an electric strength of at least the value of the applicable test voltage for BASIC INSULATION of Table K.102 or Table K.103 with a duration of at least 5 s.

Conformity is checked by inspection of the manufacturer's specifications.

c) The insulation consists of at least three separate layers of thin-film materials, any two of which have been tested to exhibit adequate electric strength.

Conformity is checked by the voltage tests of K.101.4.1 applied to two of the three layers for REINFORCED INSULATION.

For the purposes of these tests, a special sample may be assembled with only two layers of the material.

Annex L
(informative)

Index of defined terms

Add the following defined term to the list:

Add the following new annexes: