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### **Part 201: AC solid-insulation enclosed switchgear and controlgear for rated voltages above 1 kV and up to and including 52 kV**

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- b) access to the solid-insulation enclosed switchgear and controlgear is now restricted to authorized personnel only. This implies that “accessibility class B” (public access) has been deleted throughout the document;

- c) the term “protection category” has been introduced to replace the term “protection grade” (PA, PB1 and PB2)

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## HIGH-VOLTAGE SWITCHGEAR AND CONTROLGEAR –

### Part 201: AC solid-insulation enclosed switchgear and controlgear for rated voltages above 1 kV and up to and including 52 kV

## 1 General

### 1.1 Scope

This part of IEC 62271 specifies requirements for prefabricated solid-insulation enclosed switchgear and controlgear for alternating current of rated voltages above 1 kV and up to and including 52 kV for indoor installation and for service frequencies up to and including 60 Hz.

Access to the switchgear and controlgear is restricted to authorized personnel.

NOTE 1 For the use of this document high-voltage (IEC 60050-601:1985, 601-01-27) is the rated voltage above 1 000 V. However, medium voltage (IEC 60050-601:1985, 601-01-28) is commonly used for distribution systems with voltages above 1 kV and generally applied up to and including 52 kV; refer to [1] of Bibliography.

NOTE 2 Although primarily dedicated to three-phase systems, this standard can also be applied to single-phase or two-phase systems.

Enclosures may include fixed and removable components and may be filled with fluid (liquid or gas) to provide an extra insulation. For switchgear and controlgear containing gas-filled compartments, the design pressure is limited to a maximum of 300 kPa (relative pressure).

Solid-insulation enclosed switchgear and controlgear complying with this standard can be safely touched when energised.

Solid-insulation enclosed switchgear and controlgear for special use, for example, in flammable atmospheres, in mines or on board ships, may be subject to additional requirements.

Components contained in solid-insulation enclosed switchgear and controlgear are designed and tested in accordance with their various relevant standards. This standard supplements the standards for the individual components regarding their installation in switchgear and controlgear assemblies.

This standard does not preclude that other equipment may be included in the same enclosure. In such a case, any possible influence of that equipment on the switchgear and controlgear should be taken into account.

NOTE 3 Switchgear and controlgear assemblies having a metal enclosure are covered by IEC 62271-200 refer to [9] of Bibliography.

### 1.2 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 60050 (all parts), *International Electrotechnical Vocabulary (IEV)* (available at [www.electropedia.org](http://www.electropedia.org))