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devices (ARDs) for circuit-breakers, RCBOs-
RCCBs for household and similar uses**

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IEC 60065 (mod)	2014	Audio, video and similar electronic apparatus - Safety requirements	EN 60065	2014
IEC 60384	Series	Fixed capacitors for use in electronic equipment - Part 9: Sectional specification: Fixed capacitors of ceramic dielectric, Class 2	EN 60384	Series
IEC 60664-1	2007	Insulation coordination for equipment within low-voltage systems - Part 1: Principles, requirements and tests	EN 60664-1	2007
IEC 60664-3	-	Insulation coordination for equipment within low-voltage systems - Part 3: Use of coating, potting or moulding for protection against pollution	EN 60664-3	2017
IEC 60898-1	2015	Electrical accessories - Circuit-breakers for overcurrent protection for household and similar installations - Part 1: Circuit-breakers for a.c. operation	-	-
IEC 60898-2	2016	Circuit-breakers for overcurrent protection for household and similar installations - Part 2: Circuit-breakers for a.c. and d.c. operation	-	-
IEC 60947-5-1	-	Low-voltage switchgear and controlgear - Part 5-1: Control circuit devices and switching elements - Electromechanical control circuit devices	EN 60947-5-1	2016
IEC 60950-1 (mod)	-	Information technology equipment - Safety - Part 1: General requirements	EN 60950-1	2006
IEC 61000-4-2	-	Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) - Part 4-2: Testing and measurement techniques - Electrostatic discharge immunity test	EN 61000-4-2	2009
IEC 61000-4-3	-	Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) - Part 4-3: Testing and measurement techniques - Radiated, radio-frequency, electromagnetic field immunity test	EN 61000-4-3	2006

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IEC 61000-4-4	-	Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) - Part 4-4: Testing and measurement techniques - Electrical fast transient/burst immunity test	EN 61000-4-4	2012
IEC 61000-4-5	-	Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) - Part 4-5: Testing and measurement techniques - Surge immunity test	EN 61000-4-5	2014
IEC 61000-4-6	-	Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) - Part 4-6: Testing and measurement techniques - Immunity to conducted disturbances, induced by radio-frequency fields	EN 61000-4-6	2014
IEC 61000-4-16	-	Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) - Part 4-16: Testing and measurement techniques - Test for immunity to conducted, common mode disturbances in the frequency range 0 Hz to 150 kHz	EN 61000-4-16	2016
IEC 61008-1 (mod)	2010	Residual current operated circuit-breakers without integral overcurrent protection for household and similar uses (RCCB's) - Part 1: General rules	EN 61008-1	2012
+A1 (mod)	2012		+A1	2014
+A2 (mod)	2013		+A2	2014
IEC 61009-1 (mod)	2010	Residual current operated circuit-breakers with integral overcurrent protection for household and similar uses (RCBOs) - Part 1: General rules	EN 61009-1	2012
+A1 (mod)	2012		+A1	2014
+A2 (mod)	2013		+A2	2014
IEC 61189-2	-	Test methods for electrical materials, printed boards and other interconnection structures and assemblies - Part 2: Test methods for materials for interconnection structures	EN 61189-2	2006
IEC 61543	1995	Residual current-operated protective devices (RCDs) for household and similar use - Electromagnetic compatibility	EN 61543	1995
+A1	2004		+ A11	2003
+A2	2005		+A2	2006
IEC 61558	Series	Safety of transformers, reactors, power supply units and combinations thereof	EN 61558	Series
IEC 62019	-	Electrical accessories - Circuit-breakers and similar equipment for household use - Auxiliary contact units	EN 62019	1999
CISPR 14-1	-	Electromagnetic compatibility - Requirements for household appliances, electric tools and similar apparatus - Part 1: Emission	EN 55014-1	2017
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Annex ZZA (informative)

Relationship between this European standard and the essential requirements of Directive 2014/30/EU [2014 OJ L96] aimed to be covered

This European standard has been prepared under the European Commission standardisation request C(2016) 7641 final of 30.11.2016¹, ('M/552'), as regards harmonised standards in support of Directive 2014/30/EU relating to electromagnetic compatibility, to provide one voluntary means of conforming to essential requirements of Directive 2014/30/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 February 2014 on the harmonisation of the laws of the Member States relating to electromagnetic compatibility [2014 OJ L96].

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Table ZZA.1 – Correspondence between this European standard and the Essential Requirements set out in Directive 2014/30/EU [2014 OJ L96]

Essential requirements of Directive 2014/30/EU	Clause(s) / sub-clause(s) of this EN	Remarks / Notes
Annex I. 1(a) (electromagnetic disturbances)	9.22.5	For CISPR 14-1, the text on the statistical evaluation of mass produced products in Clause 7 does not apply.
Annex I. 1(b) (electromagnetic immunity)	8.15-9.22	

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Annex ZZB (informative)

Relationship between this European standard and the safety objectives of Directive 2014/35/EU [2014 OJ L96] aimed to be covered

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Table ZZB.1 – Correspondence between this European standard and Article 3 of Directive 2014/35/EU [2014 OJ L153]

Safety Objectives of Directive 2014/35/EU	Clause(s) / sub-clause(s) of this EN	Remarks / Notes
(1)(a)	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 - 9.4	
(1)(b)	6.2, 8.1.1, 8.1.2.1, 8.1.2.2 and 9.5.1	
(1)(c)	7, 8.1.2.8, 8.10, 8.11, 8.15, 9.5.2, 9.5.4, 9.7.4, 9.13, 9.18.1, 9.18.2, 9.18.3, 9.19.1, 9.19.2 and 9.22	
(2) (a)	8.2, 8.5, 9.3, 8.10.8, 8.11, 8.13, 8.14, 9.1, 9.7.4, 9.13, 9.18.4, 9.19.1, 9.19.2, 9.20 and 9.21	
(2) (b)	8.1.5, 8.1.6, 8.4, 9.8, 9.9 and 9.12	
(2) (c)	8.1.2.3, 8.1.2.4, 8.1.2.5, 9.5.2 and 9.5.3	
(2) (d)	8.1.3, 8.1.4, 8.3, 9.6, 9.7 and 9.11	
(3) (a)	8.7 - 9.15	
(3) (b)	8.8, 8.9, 8.15, 9.16, 9.17 and 9.22	
(3) (c)	8.6, 8.12, 9.14 and 9.17	

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FOR CIRCUIT-BREAKERS, RCBOs AND RCCBs
FOR HOUSEHOLD AND SIMILAR USES**

FOREWORD

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- reconfirmed,
- withdrawn,
- replaced by a revised edition, or
- amended.

INTRODUCTION

Automatic reclosing devices (ARDs) are intended to reclose circuit-breakers, RCBOs, and RCCBs after tripping in order to re-establish continuity of service.

REQUIREMENTS FOR AUTOMATIC RECLOSING DEVICES (ARDs) FOR CIRCUIT-BREAKERS, RCBOs AND RCCBs FOR HOUSEHOLD AND SIMILAR USES

1 Scope

This International Standard applies to automatic reclosing devices (ARDs) for household and similar uses, for rated voltage not exceeding 440 V AC, and which are intended to be used in combination with circuit-breakers, RCCBs and RCBOs, and designed either for factory assembly or for assembly on site.

These devices are intended to reclose main protective devices (MPDs) such as circuit-breakers complying with IEC 60898-1 and/or IEC 60898-2, RCCBs complying with IEC 61008-1 and/or IEC 62423, and RCBOs complying with IEC 61009-1 and/or IEC 62423 after tripping of those devices in order to re-establish continuity of service.

This document includes the following types of ARDs:

- ARDs with assessment means, reclosing only if both the prospective line current and the prospective earth-fault current do not exceed given values;
- ARDs with assessment means, reclosing only if the prospective line current does not exceed a given value;
- ARDs with assessment means, reclosing only if the prospective earth-fault current does not exceed a given value;
- ARDs that recloses without any assessment.

NOTE 1 Installation rules define the condition of use of each of the products and the types.

NOTE 2 The assessment cannot substitute the verifications required by IEC 60364-6.

NOTE 3 The requirements and tests for the assessment function in IT systems are under consideration.

This document does not apply to ARDs with multiple settings adjustable by means accessible to the user in normal service.

Devices covered by this document are intended to be suitable for operation by uninstructed persons without the need for maintenance.

2 Normative references

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IEC 60065:2014, *Audio, video and similar electronic apparatus – Safety requirements*

IEC 60384 (all parts), *Fixed capacitors for use in electronic equipment*

IEC 60664-1:2007, *Insulation coordination for equipment within low-voltage systems – Part 1: Principles requirements and tests*

IEC 60664-3, *Insulation coordination for equipment within low-voltage systems – Part 3: Use of coating, potting or moulding for protection against pollution*