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- other normative references and some definitions have been updated;
- Annex D has been added, Annex C has been changed.

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## **Introduction**

It is generally accepted that safety depends on human factors, based on the normal behaviour of the operators involved, as well as upon technical factors.

For these reasons, this European Standard, in several instances, leaves a choice to the contracting parties between two alternatives. These alternatives consist of either the provision of operating rules, regulations and procedures, or in the application of technical measures such as mechanical or electrical interlocking devices.

A list of the cases for which the contracting parties (e.g. user and manufacturer) should reach agreement before signing the contract is included in Annex B.

## 1 Scope

This European Standard defines requirements to be applied in the design and manufacture of electrical installations and equipment to be used on rolling stock to protect persons from electric shocks.

This European Standard is applicable to rolling stock of rail transport systems, road transport systems, if they are powered by an external supply (e.g. trolley buses), magnetically levitated transport systems and to the electrical equipment installed in these systems.

This European Standard does not apply to:

- mine railways in mines,
- crane installations, moving platforms and similar transport systems on rails,
- funicular railways,
- temporary constructions.

## 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.

EN 50122-1:2011<sup>1)</sup>, *Railway applications — Fixed installations — Electrical safety, earthing and the return circuit — Part 1: Protective provisions against electric shock*

EN 50124-1, *Railway applications — Insulation coordination — Part 1: Basic requirements — Clearances and creepage distances for all electrical and electronic equipment*

EN 50388, *Railway applications — Power supply and rolling stock — Technical criteria for the coordination between power supply (substation) and rolling stock to achieve interoperability*

HD 60364-4-41:2007, *Low-voltage electrical installations — Part 4-41: Protection for safety — Protection against electric shock (IEC 60364-4-41:2005, modified)*

EN 60529, *Degrees of protection provided by enclosures (IP Code) (IEC 60529)*

EN 61140, *Protection against electric shock — Common aspects for installation and equipment (IEC 61140)*

EN 61310-1, *Safety of machinery — Indication, marking and actuation — Part 1: Requirements for visual, acoustic and tactile signals (IEC 61310-1)*

IEC/TS 60479-1, *Effects of current on human beings and livestock — Part 1: General aspects*

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