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INTRODUCTION

The electric energy efficiency of homes and buildings is continuously increasing by reducing the electric energy consumption of products. For example, changing from traditional incandescent lighting to LED lighting.

Specific electrical systems and accessories, for example home and building electronic systems (HBES) / building automation control systems (BACS), individual sensors, actors, actuators, dimmers and load shedding equipment (LSE), can contribute to additional energy savings.

Additional savings can also be achieved by managing and monitoring electrical energy use, depending on time, occupancy, inputs and needs from the grid.

HBES/BACS contribute to greater energy savings than the energy they consume to perform this task. However, as every watt counts, it is necessary to optimize their own energy consumption for given functionalities.

In the case of devices with more functionality (e.g. multi-channel switch actuators, control boxes, etc.), this document provides a methodology for determining the energy efficiency class of accessories based on the consumption of each function and their percentage of use. It aims to enable the system designer to determine the most efficient system considering the increasing user demand for additional functionalities.

ELECTRICAL ACCESSORIES –

Methodology for determining the energy efficiency class of electrical accessories

1 Scope

This document provides a methodology for determining the energy efficiency class of electrical accessories, to enable the system designer to determine the most efficient components for an electrical installation, also considering all functionalities.

NOTE Functionalities are for example: wireless communication, network connectivity, timer, energy monitoring.

This methodology is based on the energy consumption, taking into account the individual functions of the accessory.

The energy efficiency class approach contributes to the overall reduction of the energy consumption of an electrical installation.

2 Normative references

There are no normative references in this document.

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply.

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- IEC Electropedia: available at <http://www.electropedia.org/>
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3.1

OFF mode

mode of the accessory having a direct control where the relevant electric load is deactivated and is able to be activated by deliberate action on the accessory by the user

Note 1 to entry: In this mode, the accessory consumes no energy.

3.2

standby mode

mode of the accessory having a direct control where the relevant electric load is deactivated and is able to be activated by deliberate action to the accessory by the user or the system

Note 1 to entry: In this mode, the accessory consumes energy to perform this function.

Note 2 to entry: This mode includes an interaction through displays regardless of the state of the electric load.

3.3

ON mode

mode of the accessory having a direct control where its electric load is activated and is able to be deactivated by deliberate action to the accessory by the user or the system

Note 1 to entry: In this mode, the accessory consumes energy.

Note 2 to entry: In this mode, the consumed energy can be greater than the energy consumption in the standby mode.