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This standard is an update to IEEE Std C57.12.40™-2011, which marked the first full technical update to this standard since it was published as a NEMA/ANSI standard called C57.12.40-2000. The 2011 revision reorganized clauses and made major changes to clarify the requirements for the primary disconnect and grounding switch. This revision clarifies the Applied Voltage Test in [Table 2](#), introduces a stainless steel tank alternative to copper-bearing steel, eliminates the use of primary wiping sleeves, changes the primary switch chamber to a single compartment, and adds an informative [Annex B](#).

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## **1. Overview**

### **1.1 Scope**

This standard covers certain electrical, dimensional, and mechanical characteristics and takes into consideration certain safety features of three-phase, 60-Hz, liquid-immersed, self-cooled, network transformers with a primary grounding switch. These transformers are rated 2500 kVA and below with high voltages of 34 500 volts and below and secondaries of 600 volts and below. These transformers are generally used for step-down purposes from underground primary cables and supply a secondary network system through network protectors. These transformers are typically installed below ground level.

### **1.2 Purpose**

This standard is intended for use as a basis for establishing the performance, electrical and mechanical interchangeability, safety of the equipment covered, and to assist in the proper selection of such equipment.

## **2. Normative references**

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