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NOTE 1 When an International Publication has been modified by common modifications, indicated by (mod), the relevant EN/HD applies.

NOTE 2 Up-to-date information on the latest versions of the European Standards listed in this annex is available here: www.cenelec.eu.

<u>Publication</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Title</u>	EN/HD	Year
IEC 60204-1	-	Safety of machinery - Electrical equipment of machines - Part 1: General requirements	EN 60204-1	-
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IEC 60900	-	Live working - Hand tools for use up to 1 000 V a.c. and 1 500 V d.c.	EN 60900	-
IEC 61140	-	Protection against electric shock - Common aspects for installation and equipment	EN 61140	-
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SAFETY REQUIREMENTS FOR SECONDARY BATTERIES AND BATTERY INSTALLATIONS –

Part 3: Traction batteries

1 Scope

This part of the IEC 62485 applies to secondary batteries and battery installations used for electric vehicles, e.g. in electric industrial trucks (including lift trucks, tow trucks, cleaning machines, automatic guided vehicles), in battery powered locomotives, in electric vehicles (e.g. goods vehicles, golf carts, bicycles, wheelchairs), and does not cover the design of such vehicles.

This International Standard covers lead dioxide-lead (lead-acid), nickel oxide-cadmium, nickel-oxide-metal hydride and other alkaline secondary batteries. Safety aspects of secondary lithium batteries in such applications will be covered in their own appropriate standards.

The nominal voltages are limited to 1 000 V a.c. and 1 500 V d.c. respectively and the principal measures for protection against hazards generally from electricity, gas emission and electrolyte are described.

It provides requirements on safety aspects associated with the installation, use, inspection, maintenance and disposal of batteries.

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 60204-1, Safety of machinery – Electrical equipment of machines – Part 1: General requirements

IEC 60364-4-41:2005, Low-voltage electrical installations – Part 4-41: Protection for safety – Protection against electric shock

IEC 60900, Live working - Hand tools for use up to 1 000 V a.c. and 1 500 V d.c.

IEC 61140, Protection against electric shock – Common aspects for installation and equipment

ISO 3864 (all parts), Graphical symbols – Safety colours and safety signs

3 Terms and definitions

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

3.1

secondary cell

cell which is designed to be electrically recharged

Note 1 to entry: The recharge is accomplished by way of a reversible chemical reaction.