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– includes bit-screwdrivers;
– includes screwdrivers with screw retaining devices;
– enlarges conditioning and test possibilities of the dielectric test;
– clarifies questions concerning quality assurance and
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INTRODUCTION

This International Standard has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of IEC 61477 where applicable.
1 Scope

This International Standard is applicable to insulated and insulating hand tools used for working live or close to live parts at nominal voltages up to 1 000 V a.c. and 1 500 V d.c.

2 Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

IEC 60060-1:1989, High-voltage test techniques – Part 1: General definitions and test requirements

IEC 60212:1971, Standard conditions for use prior to and during the testing of solid electrical insulating materials

IEC 60417-DB:2002¹, Graphical symbol for use on equipment

IEC 61318:2003 Live working – Quality assurance plans applicable to tools, devices and equipments


ISO 9656:1989, Pliers and nippers for electronics – Test methods

ISO 9657:1989, Pliers and nippers for electronics – General technical requirements

¹ "DB" refers to the IEC on-line database.