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1 Scope

This document defines type, production and optional tests on thyristor valves used in thyristor controlled reactors (TCR), thyristor switched reactors (TSR) and thyristor switched capacitors (TSC) forming part of static VAR compensators (SVC) for power system applications. The requirements of the document apply both to single valve units (one phase) and to multiple valve units (several phases).

Clauses 4 to 7 detail the type tests, i.e. tests which are carried out to verify that the valve design meets the requirements specified. Clause 8 covers the production tests, i.e. tests which are carried out to verify proper manufacturing. Clauses 9 and 10 detail optional tests, i.e. tests additional to the type and production tests.

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IEC 60060-1:2010, *High-voltage test techniques – Part 1: General definitions and test requirements*

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IEC 60071 (all parts), *Insulation co-ordination*

IEC 60071-1:2019, *Insulation co-ordination – Part 1: Definitions, principles and rules*

IEC 60270, *High-voltage test techniques – Partial discharge measurements*

IEC 60700-1:2015, *Thyristor valves for high-voltage direct current (HVDC) power transmission – Part 1: Electrical testing*

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