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Part 2: Residual current devices (RCDs) – Vocabulary**





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## Part 2: Residual current devices (RCDs) – Vocabulary

### 1 Scope

This part of IEC 62873 provides the terms and definitions used in RCD product standards.

### 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.

Where the terms "voltage" or "current" are used, they imply r.m.s. values, unless otherwise specified.

NOTE Reference to IEC definitions is also made when the term "device" or "mechanical switching device" has been replaced by the term "RCCB", "RCBO" or "RCD".

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