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This edition includes the following significant technical changes with respect to the previous edition:

- a) a general alignment with IEC 60884-1:2002, Amendment 1:2006 and Amendment 2:2013;
- b) new and modified definitions;
- c) requirements for travel adaptors, for adaptors with additional functions and for adaptors with a cable outlet;
- d) requirements for adaptors with incorporated overcurrent protective devices;
- e) requirement to warn against inserting an adaptor into another adaptor;

f) new requirements for the construction and shape of the adaptors.

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This document has been drafted in accordance with the ISO/IEC Directives, Part 2.

This Part 2-5 shall be used in conjunction with IEC 60884-1. It was established on the basis of the third edition of IEC 60884-1 (2002) and of its Amendments 1 (2006) and 2 (2013).

This Part 2-5 supplements or modifies the corresponding clauses in IEC 60884-1, so as to convert that publication into the IEC Standard: Particular requirements for adaptors.

Where this Part 2-5 states "addition", "modification" or "replacement", the relevant requirement, test specifications or explanatory matter in Part 1 shall be adapted accordingly.

Subclauses, figures, tables or notes which are additional to those in Part 1 are numbered starting from 101. Additional annexes are lettered starting from AA.

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1 Scope

Replacement:

This part of IEC 60884 applies to adaptors for a.c. only with or without earthing contact, with a rated voltage greater than 50 V but not exceeding 440 V and a rated current not exceeding 32 A, intended for household and similar purposes, either indoors or outdoors.

This document also applies to travel adaptors (see Annex AA). For travel adaptors the scope is limited to a voltage rating greater than 50 V but not exceeding 250 V and to a current rating not exceeding 20 A.

Travel adaptors allowing the simultaneous connection of two or more plugs are not covered by this document.

NOTE 1 In the following countries the use of non-shuttered adaptors is not allowed: BE, CN, DK, ES, FR, IT, NO, MY, PT, SE, SG, UK, ZA.

NOTE 2 In the following countries adaptors having IP classes below IPX4 shall be provided with shutters: FI.

NOTE 3 In the following countries fused adaptors are not allowed: ZA.

NOTE 4 In the following countries rewirable external flexible cables connected to adaptors are not allowed: ZA.

NOTE 5 In the following countries, travel adaptors shall not be used for charging electrical vehicles: CH, SE.

This document covers the requirements for adaptors with additional functions, however the additional function itself is not covered by this standard.

NOTE 6 Examples of additional functions are electronic power supply units, dimmers, timers, protection devices, infrared switches.

This document does not apply to adaptors incorporating connectors according to IEC 60320 (all parts).

Adaptors complying with this document are suitable for use at ambient temperatures not normally exceeding +40 °C, but their average over a period of 24 h does not exceed +35 °C, with a lower limit of the ambient air temperature of –5 °C.

NOTE 7 Tests for temperatures below normal range are under consideration.

2 Normative references

This clause of Part 1 is applicable except as follows:

Addition:

IEC 60127-2, *Miniature fuses – Part 2: Cartridge fuse-links*

IEC 60127-3, *Miniature fuses – Part 3: Sub-miniature fuse-links*