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PREFACE

This Standard was prepared by the Standards Australia Committee EL-048, Wind Turbine Systems, to supersede AS 61400.2(Int)—2006, *Wind turbines, Part 2: Design requirements for small wind turbines*.

The objective of this Standard is to provide designers, manufacturers, test laboratories and users with requirements for small wind turbines (viz. with a swept area up to 200 m², see Clause 3.48).

The objective of this revision is to confirm the adoption of IEC 61400-2 as a full Australian Standard and update the list of Australian Standards to be used as alternatives to international referenced documents.

For the design and manufacture of products intended to be installed in locations with severe wind climates, such as cyclonic areas of Australia, see the AS/NZS 1170 series and other appropriate Australian wind loading Standards.

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<i>Reference to International Standard</i>	<i>Australian Standard</i>
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60034-5 Part 5: Degrees of protection provided by the integral design of rotating electrical machines (IP code)—Classification	60034.5 Part 5: Degrees of protection provided by the integral design of rotating electrical machines (IP Code)—Classification
60034-8 Part 8: Terminal markings and direction of rotation	60034.8 Part 8: Terminal markings and direction of rotation (IEC 60034-8, Ed.3 (2007) MOD)
60038 IEC standard voltages	60038 Standard voltages
60204 Safety of machinery—Electrical equipment of machines	60204 Safety of machinery—Electrical equipment of machines
60204-1 Part 1: General requirements	60204.1 Part 1: General requirements (IEC 60204-1, Ed.5 (FDIS) MOD)
ISO/IEC	AS ISO/IEC
17025 General requirements for the competence of testing and calibration laboratories	17025 General requirements for the competence of testing and calibration laboratories
ISO	AS
2394 General principles on reliability for structures	5104 General principles on reliability for structures

The terms ‘normative’ and ‘informative’ have been used in this Standard to define the application of the annex to which they apply. A ‘normative’ annex is an integral part of a Standard, whereas an ‘informative’ annex is only for information and guidance.

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AUSTRALIAN STANDARD

Wind turbines**Part 2:
Design requirements for small wind turbines****1 Scope**

This part of IEC 61400 deals with safety philosophy, quality assurance, and engineering integrity and specifies requirements for the safety of Small Wind Turbines (SWTs) including design, installation, maintenance and operation under specified external conditions. Its purpose is to provide the appropriate level of protection against damage from hazards from these systems during their planned lifetime.

This part of IEC 61400 is concerned with all subsystems of SWT such as protection mechanisms, internal electrical systems, mechanical systems, support structures, foundations and the electrical interconnection with the load.

While this part of IEC 61400 is similar to IEC 61400-1, it does simplify and make significant changes in order to be applicable to small turbines.

This part of IEC 61400 applies to wind turbines with a rotor swept area smaller than 200 m², generating at a voltage below 1 000 V a.c. or 1 500 V d.c.

This part of IEC 61400 should be used together with the appropriate IEC and ISO standards (see Clause 2).

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 60034-1, *Rotating electrical machines – Part 1: Rating and performance*

IEC 60034-2, *Rotating electrical machines – Part 2: Methods for determining losses and efficiency of rotating electrical machinery from tests (excluding machines for traction vehicles)*

IEC 60034-5, *Rotating electrical machines – Part 5: Degrees of protection provided by the integral design of rotating electrical machines (IP code) – Classification*

IEC 60034-8, *Rotating electrical machines – Part 8: Terminal markings and direction of rotation*

IEC 60038:1983, *IEC standard voltages*
Amendment 1 (1994)
Amendment 2 (1997)