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## PREFACE

This Standard was prepared by the Joint Standards Australia/Standards New Zealand Committee EL/46, Rotating Electrical Machinery—Efficiency.

The objective of this Standard is to provide industry in general, and suppliers of electric motors and testing institutions in particular with an internationally aligned method for determining losses and efficiency of three-phase cage induction electric motors. This Standard provides the basis for a more accurate definition and application of efficiency.

This Standard is part of the AS 1359 series, *Rotating electrical machines—General requirements*. The AS 1359 series is published in Parts as detailed in AS 1359.0, *Introduction and list of Parts*. This Standard complements the following Parts on this particular subject:

AS 1359. 102.1: Methods for determining losses and efficiency—General

AS 1359. 102.2: Methods for determining losses and efficiency—Calorimetric method.

At the time of publication of this Standard, the editions of documents referred to were valid. Since all Standards are subject to revision, concerned parties are encouraged to investigate the possibility of applying the most recent editions. Members of IEC and ISO maintain registers of currently valid International Standards.

This Standard is being published awaiting the final publication of the IEC Standard currently in draft stage. When it becomes available, this Standard will then be reviewed.

The term ‘informative’ has been used in this Standard to define the application of the appendices to which it applies. An ‘informative’ appendix is only for information and guidance.

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## FOREWORD

Traditionally in IEC, losses in rotating electrical machines have been determined in accordance with 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)*. The current edition is reproduced as AS 1359.102.1—1997 (refer to Preface).

For polyphase induction motors, IEC 60034-2 *assumes* that additional load losses (sometimes called stray load losses) equal 0.5% of the rated input power, whereas it is generally known that these losses are far more significant than the 0.5%. In comparison, the Japanese (JEC) Standard totally neglects stray load losses. Hence, efficiency tests on cage motors as per IEC or JEC tend to overstate the efficiency of motors.

In North America, IEEE 112—1996, *Standard test procedure for polyphase induction motors and generators*, specifies Method B (recommended for machines rated up to 180 kW and is also suitable for machines of higher rating). This employs a direct method to obtain the stray load losses and also provides means to reduce the influence of measurement error, thereby determining efficiency very close to the actual value\*.

There is a subtle difference between the IEC and IEEE methods. The IEC method corrects the winding temperature to its rated value while the IEEE method uses the actual winding temperature corrected to an ambient of 25°C.

IEC Subcommittee 2G, Test Methods and Procedures initiated a project with the objective of achieving improved accuracy in testing and determination of efficiency of cage induction motors. This involved using a method technically equivalent to proven national standards that *measure* additional load losses, similar to IEEE 112 and (the Canadian) CAN/CSA C390—1993, *Energy efficiency test methods for three-phase induction motors*.

Independently, the European Commission (EC) agreed to undertake a similar new assignment. Eventually this should lead to publication, in parallel with IEC, of a European Standard (EN) by CENELEC, Brussels.

IEC 2G issued the first committee draft in March 1998. A committee draft for voting 2G/102A/CDV was sent in October 1998. (Also to CENELEC interests). This was followed by a revised committee draft 2G/107/CDV for voting in November 1999. The voting closed on 17 April 2000.

Australia/New Zealand, on the advice of Committee EL-046, voted against the circulated voting draft 2G/102A/CDV because of errors and lack of clarity. The committee however voted in favour of the subsequent revised 2G/107/CDV draft recommending text from this document.

This Standard comprises EL-046 committee recommendations sent to IEC SC 2G for inclusion in the final pending IEC publication.

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\* *Comparison of standards for determining efficiency of three-phase induction motors*, B Renier, K Hameyer, R Belmans, PE-441-EC-0-07-1998, IEEE, New Jersey, USA, July 2, 1998.

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## 1 SCOPE

This Standard specifies two indirect methods for determining losses and efficiency of three-phase cage induction motors by the summation of losses:

- (a) Method 1, for motors of any rating with additional load losses determined from torque measurements under various load conditions.

NOTE: For motors rated over 200 kW, refer to Clause 5.3.

- (b) Method 2, for motors in the output range 1 kW to 200 kW, without torque measurements, and with additional load losses assigned herein.

NOTE: When using Method 2 with assigned additional load losses it has to be understood that the curve in Table 1 does not represent an average but an upper envelope of a large number of measured values, and will in most cases yield lower values of efficiency than Method 1.

The methods above give similar results for motors generally, but Method 1 is intended to be used where efficiency is required to be known with a greater accuracy.

## 2 REFERENCED DOCUMENTS

The following Standards contain provisions that, through reference in this text, constitute this Standard.

### IEC

- 60027-1: 1971 Letter symbols to be used in electrical technology—Part 1: General
- 60034-1: 1996 Rotating electrical machines—Part 1: Rating and performance
- 60034-2: 1972 Rotating electrical machines—Part 2: Methods for determining losses and efficiency of rotating electrical machinery from tests (excluding machines for traction vehicles) with amendments 1: 1995 and 2: 1996
- 60044-1: 1996 Instrument transformers, Part 1: Current transformers
- 60044-2: 1997 Instrument transformers, Part 2: Inductive voltage transformers
- 60051-1: 1984 Direct acting indicating analogue electrical measuring instruments and their accessories – Part 1: Definitions and general requirements common to all parts

## 3 DEFINITIONS

For the purposes of this Standard the following definitions apply.

### 3.1 Core losses

Losses in active iron and other metal parts during no-load operation.

### 3.2 Additional load losses

Losses produced by the load current in active iron and other metal parts other than conductors.

NOTE: These losses are also known as stray load loss in some countries.