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Preface

This Standard was prepared by the Joint Standards Australia/Standards New Zealand Committee EL-008, Power Transformers to supersede AS/NZS 60137:2008, *Insulated bushings for alternating voltages above 1000 V (IEC 60137, Ed. 5.0 (2003) MOD)*.

The objective of this Standard is to specify the characteristics and tests for insulated bushings.

This Standard is applicable to bushings, as defined in Clause 3, intended for use in electrical apparatus, machinery, transformers, switchgear and installations for three-phase alternating current systems, having highest voltage for equipment above 1 000 V and power frequencies of 15 Hz up to and including 60 Hz.

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- (c) Bushings for testing transformers.
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This Standard is an adoption with national modifications, and has been reproduced from, IEC 60137:2017, *Insulated bushings for alternating voltages above 1000 V*.

The modifications are additional requirements and are set out in [Appendix ZZ](#), which has been added at the end of the source text.

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This seventh edition cancels and replaces the sixth edition, published in 2008, and constitutes a technical revision.

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

- Resin-impregnated synthetic (RIS) bushings has been introduced.
- Bushings with $U_m \leq 1,1$ kV, $U_m = 1\ 100$ kV and $U_m = 1\ 200$ kV have been introduced.
- Temperature rise testing has been included for liquid-insulated bushings according to clause to 3.4.
- Introducing dry lightning impulse testing as a routine test for all transformer bushings with $U_m > 72,5$ kV.
- The altitude correction procedure has been revised ($> 1\ 000$ m).

- An explanation about Very Fast Transient (VFT) phenomenon and its impact on bushings has been included.

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INTRODUCTION

In the preparation of the current edition of this standard further consideration has been given to the test requirements for power transformers as described in IEC 60076-3:2013.

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1 Scope

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2 Normative references

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IEC 60038, *IEC standard voltages*

IEC 60050-212:2010, *International Electrotechnical Vocabulary – Part 212: Electrical insulating solids, liquids and gases*

IEC 60059, *IEC standard current ratings*

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

IEC 60068-2-17:1994, *Basic environmental testing procedures – Part 2-17: Tests – Test Q: Sealing*

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

IEC 60076-5, *Power transformers – Part 5: Ability to withstand short circuit*

IEC 60076-7, *Power transformers – Part 7: Loading guide for oil-immersed power transformers*