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1 Scope

This European Standard gives elements to establish methods for measurement and calculation of quantities associated with the assessment of human exposure to electric, magnetic and electromagnetic fields (EMF) in the frequency range from 0 Hz to 300 GHz. The major intention of this Basic Standard is to give the common background and information to relevant EMF standards. This Basic Standard cannot go into details extensively due to the broad frequency range and the huge amount of possible applications. Therefore it is not possible to specify detailed calculation or measurement procedures in this Basic Standard. This standard provides general procedures only for those product and workplace categories for which there do not exist any relevant assessment procedures in any existing European EMF basic standard.

If there exists an applicable European EMF standard focused on specific product or workplace categories then the assessment shall follow that standard. If an applicable European EMF standard does not exist, but an applicable assessment procedure in another European EMF standard does exist, then that assessment procedure shall be used.

This standard deals with quantities that can be measured or calculated in free space, notably electric and magnetic field strength or power density, and includes the measurement and calculation of quantities inside the body that forms the basis for protection guidelines.

In particular the standard provides information on

- definitions and terminology,
- characteristics of electric, magnetic and electromagnetic fields,
- measurement of exposure quantities,
- instrumentation requirements,
- methods of calibration,
- measurement techniques and procedures for evaluating exposure,
- calculation methods for exposure assessment.

2 Normative references

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3 Definitions

For the purpose of this document, the following terms and definitions apply.

3.1

action values

magnitude of directly measurable parameters, provided in terms of electric field strength (E), magnetic field strength (H), magnetic flux density (B) and power density (S), at which one or more of the specified measures in Directive 2004/40/EC must be undertaken. Compliance with these values will ensure compliance with the relevant exposure limit values (from 2004/40/EC)

3.2

antenna

device that serves as a transducer between a guided wave for example in a coaxial cable and a free space wave, or vice versa

3.3

basic restriction

restrictions on exposure to time-varying electric, magnetic, and electromagnetic fields that are based directly on established health effects (from ICNIRP guidelines)

3.4

contact current

current flowing into the body resulting from contact with a conductive object in an electromagnetic field. This is the localised current flow into the body (usually the hand, for a light brushing contact)

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