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European foreword

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- Clause 1: a more detailed scope (guided vehicles) in reference to other electric vehicles;
- 5.6.1: insulation resistance and separate source applied voltage tests for voltage band I components is waived with respect to other electric vehicles and with reference to ECE R100;
- Table 5: test voltages for components intended to break a current which are used with open contacts for supplementary or basic insulation;
- 6.4.2: specification of periodical checks additional to insulation resistance tests;
- 6.2.5, Table 6: electrical tests of the insulation of entrance areas are waived, visual inspection is added;
- 6.5: extension of description and test of different leakage detectors;
- A.3: description of special requirements for external insulations;
- A.13, A.14: addition of energy storage systems and fuel cells;
- B.2.4.6: equipment for switch operation of overhead contact line.

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1 Scope

This European Standard applies to electrical systems on board of vehicles of the type trolley bus, as defined in 3.1, fed with a nominal line voltage ($U_n$) between 600 V d.c. and 750 V d.c.

This European Standard defines the requirements and constructional hints, especially to avoid electrical danger to the public and to staff. Where special requirements are existing for trolley buses, hints are given for mechanical and functional safety as well as for protection against fire.

This European Standard covers vehicles intended for public transport of persons. This Standard applies to:
- trolley buses,
- buses with current rail for guidance in the road surface,
- guided buses with bipolar roof current collector.

This European Standard does not apply to:

a) electric driven vehicles with only internal power supply:
   1) hybrid vehicles,
   2) diesel - electric vehicles,
   3) fuel - cell vehicles,
   4) battery vehicles,

b) vehicles with safe protective bonding:
   1) rubber tyred commuter trains,
   2) guided buses with supply by a separate current rail,
   3) rail guided buses with unipolar roof current collector,

c) vehicles operated outside publicly accessible areas:
   1) electric driven lorries on motorways.

Guidance and current rails are special solutions and at this time are not under standardization like trolley bus current collectors and overhead contact lines (OCL).

It refers mainly to earthed networks, but reference is made also to galvanically insulated networks.

Annex A is related to detailed design features for trolley buses.

Annexes B and C are related to the current collection systems. The detailed scope of these annexes is given in Annex B.

2 Normative references

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EN 45502 (all parts), Active implantable medical devices

EN 45545-5, Railway applications — Fire protection on railway vehicles — Part 5: Fire safety requirements for electrical equipment including that of trolley buses, track guided buses and magnetic levitation vehicles

EN 50110 (all parts), Operation of electrical installations

EN 50110-1:2013, Operation of electrical installations — Part 1: General requirements