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This fifth edition cancels and replaces the fourth edition published in 2018. This edition constitutes a technical revision.

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

a) subclause 6.3.3 Vertical machines: added two new subclauses: Type and routine tests;
b) subclause 7.3 Test conditions: added two new subclauses: Direct-on-line and variable speed;
c) Table 1: decreased limits for Grade A in free suspension for 56 ≤ $H$ ≤ 132 mm;
d) Clause 9 Limits of relative shaft vibration: added information how to mitigate effects of run-out on shaft vibration measurements.

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## 1 Scope

This part of IEC 60034 specifies the factory acceptance vibration test procedures and vibration limits for certain electrical machines under specified conditions, when uncoupled from any load or prime mover.

It is applicable to DC and three-phase AC machines, with shaft heights 56 mm and higher and a rated output up to 50 MW, at operational speeds from 120 $min^{-1}$ up to and including 15 000 $min^{-1}$.

This document is not applicable to machines mounted in situ (on site), three-phase commutator motors, single-phase machines, three-phase machines operated on single-phase systems, vertical waterpower generators, turbine generators greater than 20 MW and machines with magnetic bearings or series-wound machines.

NOTE 1 For machines measured in situ, refer to applicable clauses or subclauses of ~~ISO 20816, ISO 10816 and ISO 7919~~ ISO 20816-1 and ISO 20816-3.

NOTE 2 For output power above 50 MW reference is made to the ISO 20816 series.

NOTE 3 Vibration routine tests are not mandatory according to IEC 60034-1. If performed, the method for testing is included in this document.

## 2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all their content constitutes requirements 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 60034-7, *Rotating electrical machines – Part 7: Classification of types of constructions and mounting arrangements (IM Code)*~~

ISO 2954, *Mechanical vibration of rotating and reciprocating machinery - Requirements for instruments for measuring vibration severity*

ISO 10817-1, *Rotating shaft vibration measuring systems - Part 1: Relative and absolute sensing of radial vibration* ~~*from rotating shafts*~~

ISO 20816-1, *Mechanical vibration - Measurement and evaluation of machine vibration - Part 1: General guidelines*

ISO 21940-32, *Mechanical vibration - Rotor balancing - Part 32: Shaft and fitment key convention*

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