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INTRODUCTION to Amendment

The purpose of this amendment is:

– to correct Clause 5 Procedure, 5.2 Dynamic test - clamped, list items d), and g); 5.3 Dynamic test - flexing, list items b) and e); and 5.4 Static test, list item b): to add "*maximum"* to the PIM level to be reported.

1 Scope

This part of IEC 62037 defines test fixtures and procedures recommended for measuring levels of passive intermodulation generated by coaxial cables. Two dynamic test methods and a static test method are defined.

All coaxial cables are subjected to the static and clamped cable loop dynamic test.

Cables classified as flexible or semi-flexible are additionally subjected to the flexing tool dynamic test.

2 Normative references

The following documents, in whole or in part, are normatively referenced in this document and are indispensable for its application. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

IEC 62037-1, *Passive r.f. and microwave devices, intermodulation level measurement – Part 1: General requirements and measuring methods*

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