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Part 1: General requirements

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- 15.3 The duration of the application of the test voltage is 1 min to assure the detection of defects in the insulation (USA).
- 17.2.4.7 The minimum number of operating cycles is 6 000 (USA).
- 17.2.5 The temperature rise at the terminals shall not exceed 30 °C (USA).
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