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

- a) Addition of strength classes reflecting UHV practice;
- b) Inclusion of Corrigendum 1:2008 for Y fitting hole dimensions.

The text of this standard is based on the following documents:

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# COMPOSITE STRING INSULATOR UNITS FOR OVERHEAD LINES WITH A NOMINAL VOLTAGE GREATER THAN 1 000 V –

## Part 1: Standard strength classes and end fittings

### 1 Scope

This part of IEC 61466 is applicable to composite string insulator units for a.c. overhead lines with a nominal voltage greater than 1 000 V and a frequency not greater than 100 Hz.

It also applies to insulators of similar design used in substations or on electric traction lines.

This standard applies to string insulator units of composite type with ball, socket, tongue, clevis, Y-clevis or eye couplings, or a combination thereof.

The object of this standard is to prescribe specified values for the mechanical characteristics of the composite string insulator units and define the main dimensions of the couplings to be used on the composite string insulator units in order to permit the assembly of insulators or fittings supplied by different manufacturers and to allow, whenever practical, interchangeability with existing installations.

It also defines a standard designation system for composite string insulator units.

NOTE 1 General definitions and methods of testing are given in IEC 61109.

NOTE 2 Only the dimensions necessary for assembly of the couplings are dealt with in this International Standard. Properties of material and working loads are not specified. The coordination of dimensions of the end-fittings with the strength classes is specified in Clause 7.

### 2 Normative references

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IEC 60120:1984, *Dimensions of ball and socket couplings of string insulator units*

IEC 60471:1977, *Dimensions of clevis and tongue couplings of string insulator units*

### 3 Mechanical and dimensional characteristics

Composite string insulator units are standardized by the following specified characteristics:

- specified mechanical load (SML);
- standard couplings.

All dimensions are expressed in millimetres.

The dimensions apply to the finished product after any surface treatment.