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- revision of test procedure for $I_{\Delta n}$ between 5 A and 200 A;

- tests for the use of RCBOs in IT systems;
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This part includes definitions, requirements and tests covering all types of RCBOs. For applicability to a specific type, this part applies in conjunction with the relevant part, as follows:

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