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

– complete revision of EMC sequences, including the new test T.2.6 already approved in IEC 61543;
– clarification of RCDs current/time characteristics reported in Tables 1 and 2;
– revision of test procedure for $I_{\Delta n}$ between 5 A and 200 A;

– testing procedure regarding the 6mA d.c. current superimposed to the fault current;
– improvement highlighting RCDs with multiple sensitivity;
– tests for the use of RCCBs in IT systems.

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INTRODUCTION

This part includes definitions, requirements and tests, covering all types of RCCBs. For the applicability to a specific type this part applies in conjunction with the relevant part, as follows:

Part 2-1: Applicability of the general rules to RCCBs functionally independent of line voltage.

Part 2-2: Applicability of the general rules to RCCBs functionally dependent on line voltage.