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Foreword

This document (EN 15869-1:2010) has been prepared by Technical Committee CEN/TC 15 “Inland navigation vessels”, the secretariat of which is held by DIN.

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EN 15869, *Inland navigation vessels — Electrical shore connection — Three-phase current 400 V, up to 63 A, 50 Hz* comprises:

- *Part 1: General requirements*
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- *Part 3: On-board unit, safety requirements*

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Introduction

Inland navigation vessels are equipped with a variety of electrical loads operating at 230 V or 400 V. While underway, continuous electrical power supply is provided by the onboard system from generators driven by diesel engines. When the vessel is berthed, these generators have to remain in operation if there is no suitable onshore power supply available. In some cases, this leads to intense noise pollution both for the crew on the vessel itself and on other vessels lying alongside and also for residents ashore. The exhaust fumes are an additional pollution factor.

The electrical shore connections specified in this standard make it possible to provide the vessels with an electrical power supply while berthed and to eliminate noise and exhaust pollution. This calls for a uniform Europe-wide connection that can be activated and deactivated by the vessel's crew in all ports and berths, if possible, without requiring any assistance from shore-based personnel. This standard contains electrical safety requirements for the prevention of hazards in making, using and breaking the shore connection. Furthermore, cashless settlement for the electricity used shall be possible, ideally a standard Europe-wide payment system.

Electrical shore connections with a permissible current of over 63 A as used for passenger ships with a hotelling function are not covered by this standard.

1 Scope

This European Standard specifies requirements applicable to equipment for shore-to-vessel supply of three-phase 400 V electrical power up to 63 A and a frequency of 50 Hz to berthed inland navigation vessels.

This part of the European Standard specifies general requirements and contains information on the settlement method.

2 Normative references

This document does not contain any normative references.

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, **the following terms and definitions apply.**

3.1

electrical shore connection

<inland navigation> equipment consisting of electrical power-supply station, cable set and feed unit for the supply of electrical power to inland navigation vessels in ports and at berths

3.2

electrical power-supply station

shore-side part of the electrical shore connection with one or more connector units

3.3

connector unit

<inland navigation> unit for connecting an inland navigation vessel

3.4

activation medium

<inland navigation> system for activating the supply of power and cashless settlement of the costs

3.5

feed unit

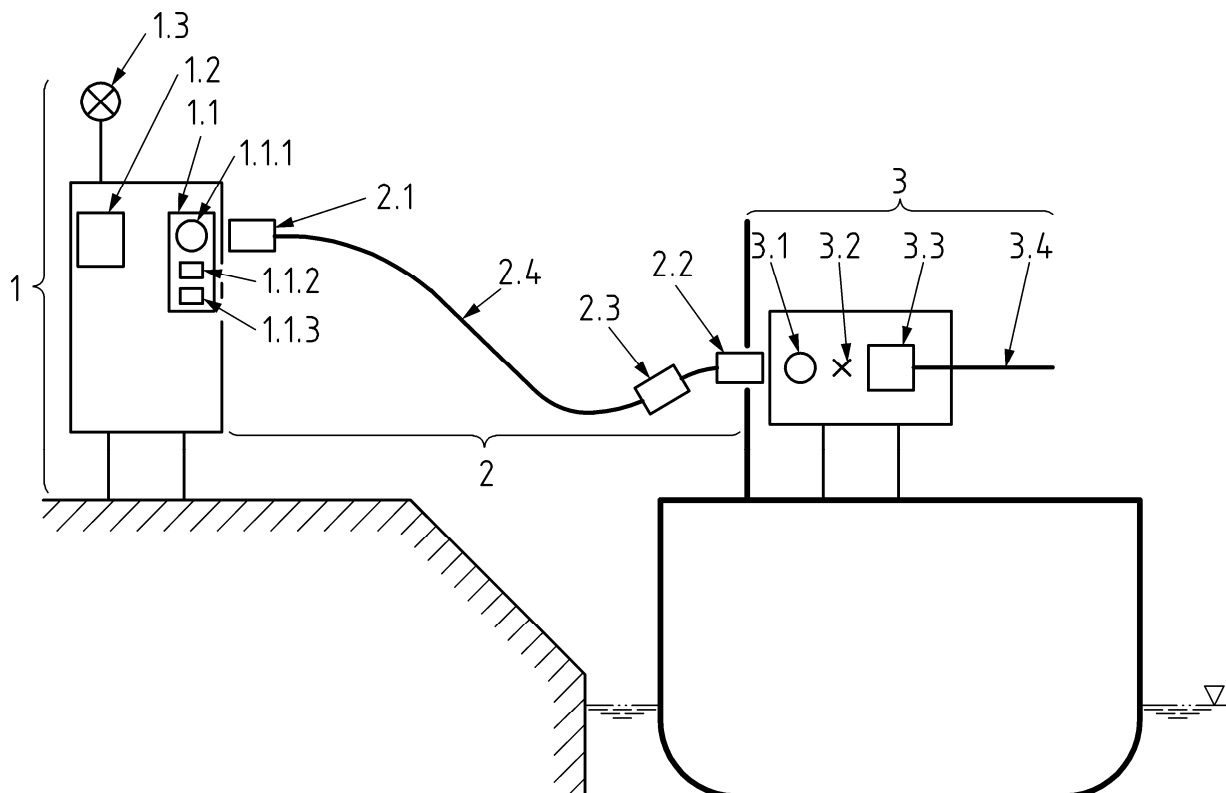
<inland navigation> all the onboard devices for receiving the electrical power on board

4 Requirements

4.1 Components

The electrical shore connection comprises (see Figure 1):

- a) electrical power-supply station, see Part 2 of the standard;
- b) cable set, see Part 3 of the standard;
- c) feed unit, see Part 3 of the standard..



Key

- 1 electrical power-supply station
- 1.1 connector unit
- 1.1.1 socket outlet
- 1.1.2 three-phase meter
- 1.1.3 activation medium
- 1.2 operating instructions
- 1.3 lighting

- 2 cable set
- 2.1 plug
- 2.2 coupler (optional, instead of fixed cable)
- 2.3 strain-relief device
- 2.4 connection cable

- 3 feed unit
- 3.1 equipment plug (optional, instead of fixed cable)
- 3.2 all-pole switch
- 3.3 isolating transformer
- 3.4 permanently-connected cable for control panel (optional, if the feed unit is not integrated in the control panel)

Figure 1 — Layout diagram of an electrical shore connection

4.2 Characteristic values

The electrical shore connection shall be designed for three-phase 400 V, 16 A, 50 Hz and may also be designed for three-phase 400 V, 32 A, 50 Hz or for three-phase 400 V, 32 A and 63 A, 50 Hz.

NOTE At 16 A, it can transfer approximately 11 kW continuous-load power, at 32 A approximately 22 kW and at 63 A approximately 44 kW.

4.3 Readiness for operation

The electrical shore connection shall only be energized via the activation medium used for recording consumption (see 4.4). It shall be possible to start and stop the power supply at any time without the aid of shore-side personnel.

4.4 Consumption recording and settlement

If settlement is requested, this shall be done on a cash-free basis via a fixed tariff or on consumption. Each connector unit shall then have its own consumption recording system.

Annex A gives examples of activating and consumption recording systems.

4.5 Deviations from 4.3 and 4.4

In ports and berths where personnel are provided at all times or there is free service, there may be deviations from the requirements for the autonomous connection and consumption measurement as described in 4.3 and 4.4.

Annex A (informative)

Electrical power-supply stations — Possible payment methods

A.1 Transponder card — Prepaid card

Transponder cards pre-loaded with credit are sold to users. When the electrical power-supply station is activated, the credit balance is transferred from the transponder card to the electrical power-supply station and on completion of the power transfer, the remaining credit is transferred back to the transponder card.

Advantages:

- the technical and financial costs are relatively low;
- the user pays the supplier in advance. Payment for the electrical power supplied is therefore ensured.

Disadvantages:

- suitable sales outlets and top-up facilities have to be provided for the transponder cards;
- it is not a universally valid payment system. As each transponder card is invariably valid for only one particular electrical power-supply station provider, this system is an isolated solution.

A.2 Money card

Money cards are a cashless method of payment for smaller sums of money maintained by the credit services sector. In contrast to transponder cards, the electrical power-supply station providers can only deduct the amount from the money card; it is not possible to re-credit money cards. Therefore, payment for the electrical power supplied is only ensured if run on a basis similar to that of a coin-operated machine. In this case, the power supply is automatically deactivated when the amount pre-selected by the user and deducted from the money card has been used up.

Advantages:

- this is a generally accepted payment system;
- the fees incurred for the financial transactions are low.

Disadvantages:

- money card terminals need to be read out manually on a regular basis by the provider or need suitable online connections;
- the coin-operated machine principle is not very user-friendly.

A.3 EC-card (Giro card)/credit card

Many petrol stations offer motorists the possibility of paying for fuel by EC-card or credit card. The customer's account is pre-authorized with a fixed amount before the refuelling commences. When refuelling is completed, this amount is credited back to the account and then debited with the actual amount. On completion of the payment process, the customer is given a payment receipt.

Advantages:

- EC-cards and credit cards are methods accepted Europe-wide;
- the payment for the electrical power supplied is ensured by the pre-authorization of the customer's account.

Disadvantages:

- the technical and financial costs are considerable as online connections are required in every case;
- the fees for the financial transactions and telecommunication connections are disproportionately high, particularly in cases of low electrical power consumption;
- maintaining a stock of paper rolls for the payment receipts could be particularly labour-intensive

A.4 GPRS fleet cards

With the GPRS fleet card system, each vessel owner or master receives a RFID-based (MIFARE) fleet card valid throughout Europe.

The system can be used by a settlement service operating Europe-wide or by local or national providers.

The system provider shall use a communications and settlement system, e.g. Premos-IP. With this system every vessel owner is registered and the required number of MIFARE fleet cards is allocated to him for his fleet. The owner receives his card by post. He can be enabled in the system after passing a creditworthiness test.

If he does not settle his bills for using the system, he can be locked out of the system. Statistical functions can filter out accounting data (e.g. monthly settlements) of the customer to then produce the end-of-month account, for example, or export the data automatically to a settlement and clearing system.

Accounting procedure:

In addition to the electricity meter and the other necessary equipment, the stack contains a camp control data logger, a GPRS module and a MIFARE transponder reader. When the vessel master holds his card in front of the reader, a GPRS internet connection is made to the settlement server. The ID number of the card is verified and it is established whether the owner is enabled. If the check is successful, a socket outlet is activated for use and this is indicated on the LC display of the stack.

The vessel master then inserts the plug into the socket outlet. As soon as power is supplied, the vessel owner's account is stored on the stack with his card ID and the kWh logged.

As soon as the vessel master unplugs the connection cable, the meter reading is transmitted to the settlement server by the GPRS and can be used subsequently for settlement purposes. The socket outlet in the stack is deactivated. The consumption is shown on the display.

The system can be used for settlements throughout Europe.

Advantages:

- the technical and financial costs are comparatively low;
- the financial transaction fees are low;
- payment for power consumed is ensured by the pre-authorization of the customer's account.

Disadvantages:

- suitable sales points and a distribution system have to be established for the card transponders.

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