# Specification for universal modular fuses



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#### National foreword

This Draft for Development has been prepared under the direction of the Power Electrical Engineering Standards Policy Committee. It is identical with IEC 127-4 TTD:1989, "Technical Trend Document (TTD) for Universal modular fuses (UMF)", published by the International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC). It includes the essential elements of future international standardization of a new type of fuselink now being referred to as universal modular fuses (UMF).

#### **Cross-reference**

# International Standard Corresponding British Standard IEC 97:1970 BS 5830:1979 Specification for grid system for printed circuits (Identical)

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This standard has been updated (see copyright date) and may have had amendments incorporated. This will be indicated in the amendment table on the inside front cover.

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#### **Characteristics of UMF**

#### 1 Gates

A harmonized UMF gate  $1.25/_n$  ("non-fusing") and  $1.7/_n$  ("fusing"). This means a fuse-link shall not operate within 1 h at  $1.25/_n$  and shall operate within 300 s at  $1.7/_n$ .

#### 2 Types of UMF

For the time being, the following types are covered:

- a) fuse-links, through hole radial type;
- b) fuse-links, surface mount type.

Fuse-links for use with holders are not covered for the time being.

Since the pin spacing of axial type fuse-links is determined by the user, it is impossible to make such fuse-links non-interchangeable. Therefore they have not been included.

#### 3 Package size — dimensions

Dimensions will be established on the basis of envelope dimensions. A distinctive marking for UMF will be introduced to avoid confusion with non-UMF types which may fit within the same envelope dimensions.

#### 4 Voltage ratings

Standard voltage ratings (r.m.s. values) are:

63 V

125 V

250 V

The need for higher a.c. voltages and for d.c. voltages is under consideration.

#### 5 Spacings for terminations

The standard spacings are

(value for *e* as specified in IEC Publication 97)

1e = 63 V low breaking capacity (LBC)

2e = 125 V low breaking capacity (LBC)

3e = 250 V low breaking capacity (LBC)

4e = 250 V high breaking capacity (HBC)

#### 6 Breaking capacity

Provisionally, the following values are being considered:

63~V 35~A or  $10/_n$  (1.0 power factor) 125~V 50~A or  $10/_n$  (1.0 power factor) 250~V (LBC) 100~A (1.0 power factor)

250 V (HBC) 500 A or higher (0.7 to 0.8 power

factor)

#### 7 Terminations

The cross-section is not defined, but the cross-sectional area shall be such that the terminations fit within a 1 mm diameter hole for fuse-links with radial leads.

#### 8 Type classification

In addition to the standard harmonized gate (see Clause 1), supplementary overload gates will need to be defined, such as very quick acting (FF), quick acting (F), time-lag (T), and long time-lag (TT).

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## Publications referred to

See national foreword.

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