

material shall be protected. (For example, an outer covering of leather is sometimes used for the protection of rubber insulating material.)

(iv) Employees shall wear nonconductive head protection wherever there is a danger of head injury from electric shock or burns due to contact with exposed energized parts.

(v) Employees shall wear protective equipment for the eyes or face wherever there is danger of injury to the eyes or face from electric arcs or flashes or from flying objects resulting from electrical explosion.

(2) *General protective equipment and tools.* (i) When working near exposed energized conductors or circuit parts, each employee shall use insulated tools or handling equipment if the tools or handling equipment might make contact with such conductors or parts. If the insulating capability of insulated tools or handling equipment is subject to damage, the insulating material shall be protected.

(A) Fuse handling equipment, insulated for the circuit voltage, shall be used to remove or install fuses when the fuse terminals are energized.

(B) Ropes and handlines used near exposed energized parts shall be nonconductive.

(ii) Protective shields, protective barriers, or insulating materials shall be used to protect each employee from shock, burns, or other electrically related injuries while that employee is working near exposed energized parts which might be accidentally contacted or where dangerous electric heating or arcing might occur. When normally enclosed live parts are exposed for maintenance or repair, they shall be guarded to protect unqualified persons from contact with the live parts.

(b) *Alerting techniques.* The following alerting techniques shall be used to warn and protect employees from hazards which could cause injury due to electric shock, burns, or failure of electrical equipment parts:

(1) *Safety signs and tags.* Safety signs, safety symbols, or accident prevention tags shall be used where necessary to warn employees about electrical hazards which may endanger them, as required by §1910.145.

(2) *Barricades.* Barricades shall be used in conjunction with safety signs where it is necessary to prevent or limit employee access to work areas exposing employees to uninsulated energized conductors or circuit parts. Conductive barricades may not be used where they might cause an electrical contact hazard.

(3) *Attendants.* If signs and barricades do not provide sufficient warning and protection from electrical hazards, an attendant shall be stationed to warn and protect employees.

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**§§ 1910.336–1910.360 [Reserved]**

SAFETY-RELATED MAINTENANCE  
REQUIREMENTS

**§§ 1910.361–1910.380 [Reserved]**

SAFETY REQUIREMENTS FOR SPECIAL  
EQUIPMENT

**§§ 1910.381–1910.398 [Reserved]**

DEFINITIONS

**§ 1910.399 Definitions applicable to this subpart.**

*Acceptable.* An installation or equipment is acceptable to the Assistant Secretary of Labor, and approved within the meaning of this subpart S:

(1) If it is accepted, or certified, or listed, or labeled, or otherwise determined to be safe by a nationally recognized testing laboratory recognized pursuant to §1910.7; or

(2) With respect to an installation or equipment of a kind that no nationally recognized testing laboratory accepts, certifies, lists, labels, or determines to be safe, if it is inspected or tested by another Federal agency, or by a State, municipal, or other local authority responsible for enforcing occupational safety provisions of the National Electrical Code, and found in compliance with the provisions of the National Electrical Code as applied in this subpart; or

(3) With respect to custom-made equipment or related installations that are designed, fabricated for, and intended for use by a particular customer, if it is determined to be safe for its intended use by its manufacturer on

the basis of test data which the employer keeps and makes available for inspection to the Assistant Secretary and his authorized representatives.

*Accepted.* An installation is “accepted” if it has been inspected and found by a nationally recognized testing laboratory to conform to specified plans or to procedures of applicable codes.

*Accessible.* (As applied to wiring methods.) Capable of being removed or exposed without damaging the building structure or finish, or not permanently closed in by the structure or finish of the building. (See “concealed” and “exposed.”)

*Accessible.* (As applied to equipment.) Admitting close approach; not guarded by locked doors, elevation, or other effective means. (See “Readily accessible.”)

*Ampacity.* The current, in amperes, that a conductor can carry continuously under the conditions of use without exceeding its temperature rating.

*Appliances.* Utilization equipment, generally other than industrial, normally built in standardized sizes or types, that is installed or connected as a unit to perform one or more functions.

*Approved.* Acceptable to the authority enforcing this subpart. The authority enforcing this subpart is the Assistant Secretary of Labor for Occupational Safety and Health. The definition of “acceptable” indicates what is acceptable to the Assistant Secretary of Labor, and therefore approved within the meaning of this subpart.

*Armored cable (Type AC).* A fabricated assembly of insulated conductors in a flexible metallic enclosure.

*Askarel.* A generic term for a group of nonflammable synthetic chlorinated hydrocarbons used as electrical insulating media. Askarels of various compositional types are used. Under arcing conditions, the gases produced, while consisting predominantly of non-combustible hydrogen chloride, can include varying amounts of combustible gases depending upon the askarel type.

*Attachment plug (Plug cap)(Cap).* A device that, by insertion in a receptacle, establishes a connection between the conductors of the attached flexible cord and the conductors connected permanently to the receptacle.

*Automatic.* Self-acting, operating by its own mechanism when actuated by some impersonal influence, as, for example, a change in current strength, pressure, temperature, or mechanical configuration.

*Bare conductor.* See Conductor.

*Barrier.* A physical obstruction that is intended to prevent contact with equipment or live parts or to prevent unauthorized access to a work area.

*Bathroom.* An area including a basin with one or more of the following: a toilet, a tub, or a shower.

*Bonding (Bonded).* The permanent joining of metallic parts to form an electrically conductive path that ensures electrical continuity and the capacity to conduct safely any current likely to be imposed.

*Bonding jumper.* A conductor that assures the necessary electrical conductivity between metal parts required to be electrically connected.

*Branch circuit.* The circuit conductors between the final overcurrent device protecting the circuit and the outlets.

*Building.* A structure that stands alone or is cut off from adjoining structures by fire walls with all openings therein protected by approved fire doors.

*Cabinet.* An enclosure designed either for surface or flush mounting, and provided with a frame, mat, or trim in which a swinging door or doors are or can be hung.

*Cable tray system.* A unit or assembly of units or sections and associated fittings forming a rigid structural system used to securely fasten or support cables and raceways. Cable tray systems include ladders, troughs, channels, solid bottom trays, and other similar structures.

*Cablebus.* An assembly of insulated conductors with fittings and conductor terminations in a completely enclosed, ventilated, protective metal housing.

*Cell line.* An assembly of electrically interconnected electrolytic cells supplied by a source of direct current power.

*Cell line attachments and auxiliary equipment.* Cell line attachments and auxiliary equipment include, but are not limited to, auxiliary tanks, process piping, ductwork, structural supports, exposed cell line conductors, conduits

and other raceways, pumps, positioning equipment, and cell cutout or bypass electrical devices. Auxiliary equipment also includes tools, welding machines, crucibles, and other portable equipment used for operation and maintenance within the electrolytic cell line working zone. In the cell line working zone, auxiliary equipment includes the exposed conductive surfaces of ungrounded cranes and crane-mounted cell-servicing equipment.

*Center pivot irrigation machine.* A multi-motored irrigation machine that revolves around a central pivot and employs alignment switches or similar devices to control individual motors.

*Certified.* Equipment is "certified" if it bears a label, tag, or other record of certification that the equipment:

(1) Has been tested and found by a nationally recognized testing laboratory to meet nationally recognized standards or to be safe for use in a specified manner; or

(2) Is of a kind whose production is periodically inspected by a nationally recognized testing laboratory and is accepted by the laboratory as safe for its intended use.

*Circuit breaker.* A device designed to open and close a circuit by nonautomatic means and to open the circuit automatically on a predetermined overcurrent without damage to itself when properly applied within its rating.

*Class I locations.* Class I locations are those in which flammable gases or vapors are or may be present in the air in quantities sufficient to produce explosive or ignitable mixtures. Class I locations include the following:

(1) *Class I, Division 1.* A Class I, Division 1 location is a location:

(i) In which ignitable concentrations of flammable gases or vapors may exist under normal operating conditions; or

(ii) In which ignitable concentrations of such gases or vapors may exist frequently because of repair or maintenance operations or because of leakage; or

(iii) In which breakdown or faulty operation of equipment or processes might release ignitable concentrations of flammable gases or vapors, and might also cause simultaneous failure of electric equipment.

NOTE TO THE DEFINITION OF "CLASS I, DIVISION 1:" This classification usually includes locations where volatile flammable liquids or liquefied flammable gases are transferred from one container to another; interiors of spray booths and areas in the vicinity of spraying and painting operations where volatile flammable solvents are used; locations containing open tanks or vats of volatile flammable liquids; drying rooms or compartments for the evaporation of flammable solvents; locations containing fat and oil extraction equipment using volatile flammable solvents; portions of cleaning and dyeing plants where flammable liquids are used; gas generator rooms and other portions of gas manufacturing plants where flammable gas may escape; inadequately ventilated pump rooms for flammable gas or for volatile flammable liquids; the interiors of refrigerators and freezers in which volatile flammable materials are stored in open, lightly stoppered, or easily ruptured containers; and all other locations where ignitable concentrations of flammable vapors or gases are likely to occur in the course of normal operations.

(2) *Class I, Division 2.* A Class I, Division 2 location is a location:

(i) In which volatile flammable liquids or flammable gases are handled, processed, or used, but in which the hazardous liquids, vapors, or gases will normally be confined within closed containers or closed systems from which they can escape only in the event of accidental rupture or breakdown of such containers or systems, or as a result of abnormal operation of equipment; or

(ii) In which ignitable concentrations of gases or vapors are normally prevented by positive mechanical ventilation, and which might become hazardous through failure or abnormal operations of the ventilating equipment; or

(iii) That is adjacent to a Class I, Division 1 location, and to which ignitable concentrations of gases or vapors might occasionally be communicated unless such communication is prevented by adequate positive-pressure ventilation from a source of clean air, and effective safeguards against ventilation failure are provided.

NOTE TO THE DEFINITION OF "CLASS I, DIVISION 2:" This classification usually includes locations where volatile flammable liquids or flammable gases or vapors are used, but which would become hazardous only in case of an accident or of some unusual operating

condition. The quantity of flammable material that might escape in case of accident, the adequacy of ventilating equipment, the total area involved, and the record of the industry or business with respect to explosions or fires are all factors that merit consideration in determining the classification and extent of each location.

Piping without valves, checks, meters, and similar devices would not ordinarily introduce a hazardous condition even though used for flammable liquids or gases. Locations used for the storage of flammable liquids or liquefied or compressed gases in sealed containers would not normally be considered hazardous unless also subject to other hazardous conditions.

Electrical conduits and their associated enclosures separated from process fluids by a single seal or barrier are classed as a Division 2 location if the outside of the conduit and enclosures is a nonhazardous location.

(3) *Class I, Zone 0.* A Class I, Zone 0 location is a location in which one of the following conditions exists:

(i) Ignitable concentrations of flammable gases or vapors are present continuously; or

(ii) Ignitable concentrations of flammable gases or vapors are present for long periods of time.

NOTE TO THE DEFINITION OF "CLASS I, ZONE 0:" As a guide in determining when flammable gases or vapors are present continuously or for long periods of time, refer to *Recommended Practice for Classification of Locations for Electrical Installations of Petroleum Facilities Classified as Class I, Zone 0, Zone 1 or Zone 2*, API RP 505–1997; *Electrical Apparatus for Explosive Gas Atmospheres, Classifications of Hazardous Areas*, IEC 79–10–1995; *Area Classification Code for Petroleum Installations, Model Code—Part 15*, Institute for Petroleum; and *Electrical Apparatus for Explosive Gas Atmospheres, Classifications of Hazardous (Classified) Locations*, ISA S12.24.01–1997.

(4) *Class I, Zone 1.* A Class I, Zone 1 location is a location in which one of the following conditions exists:

(i) Ignitable concentrations of flammable gases or vapors are likely to exist under normal operating conditions; or

(ii) Ignitable concentrations of flammable gases or vapors may exist frequently because of repair or maintenance operations or because of leakage; or

(iii) Equipment is operated or processes are carried on of such a nature that equipment breakdown or faulty operations could result in the release of ignitable concentrations of flam-

mable gases or vapors and also cause simultaneous failure of electric equipment in a manner that would cause the electric equipment to become a source of ignition; or

(iv) A location that is adjacent to a Class I, Zone 0 location from which ignitable concentrations of vapors could be communicated, unless communication is prevented by adequate positive pressure ventilation from a source of clean air and effective safeguards against ventilation failure are provided.

(5) *Class I, Zone 2.* A Class I, Zone 2 location is a location in which one of the following conditions exists:

(i) Ignitable concentrations of flammable gases or vapors are not likely to occur in normal operation and if they do occur will exist only for a short period; or

(ii) Volatile flammable liquids, flammable gases, or flammable vapors are handled, processed, or used, but in which the liquids, gases, or vapors are normally confined within closed containers or closed systems from which they can escape only as a result of accidental rupture or breakdown of the containers or system or as the result of the abnormal operation of the equipment with which the liquids or gases are handled, processed, or used; or

(iii) Ignitable concentrations of flammable gases or vapors normally are prevented by positive mechanical ventilation, but which may become hazardous as the result of failure or abnormal operation of the ventilation equipment; or

(iv) A location that is adjacent to a Class I, Zone 1 location, from which ignitable concentrations of flammable gases or vapors could be communicated, unless such communication is prevented by adequate positive-pressure ventilation from a source of clean air, and effective safeguards against ventilation failure are provided.

*Class II locations.* Class II locations are those that are hazardous because of the presence of combustible dust. Class II locations include the following:

(1) *Class II, Division 1.* A Class II, Division 1 location is a location:

(i) In which combustible dust is or may be in suspension in the air under

normal operating conditions, in quantities sufficient to produce explosive or ignitable mixtures; or

(ii) Where mechanical failure or abnormal operation of machinery or equipment might cause such explosive or ignitable mixtures to be produced, and might also provide a source of ignition through simultaneous failure of electric equipment, through operation of protection devices, or from other causes; or

(iii) In which combustible dusts of an electrically conductive nature may be present.

NOTE TO THE DEFINITION OF "CLASS II, DIVISION 1:" This classification may include areas of grain handling and processing plants, starch plants, sugar-pulverizing plants, malting plants, hay-grinding plants, coal pulverizing plants, areas where metal dusts and powders are produced or processed, and other similar locations that contain dust producing machinery and equipment (except where the equipment is dust-tight or vented to the outside). These areas would have combustible dust in the air, under normal operating conditions, in quantities sufficient to produce explosive or ignitable mixtures. Combustible dusts that are electrically non-conductive include dusts produced in the handling and processing of grain and grain products, pulverized sugar and cocoa, dried egg and milk powders, pulverized spices, starch and pastes, potato and wood flour, oil meal from beans and seed, dried hay, and other organic materials which may produce combustible dusts when processed or handled. Dusts containing magnesium or aluminum are particularly hazardous, and the use of extreme caution is necessary to avoid ignition and explosion.

(2) *Class II, Division 2.* A Class II, Division 2 location is a location where:

(i) Combustible dust will not normally be in suspension in the air in quantities sufficient to produce explosive or ignitable mixtures, and dust accumulations will normally be insufficient to interfere with the normal operation of electric equipment or other apparatus, but combustible dust may be in suspension in the air as a result of infrequent malfunctioning of handling or processing equipment; and

(ii) Resulting combustible dust accumulations on, in, or in the vicinity of the electric equipment may be sufficient to interfere with the safe dissipation of heat from electric equipment or

may be ignitable by abnormal operation or failure of electric equipment.

NOTE TO THE DEFINITION OF "CLASS II, DIVISION 2:" This classification includes locations where dangerous concentrations of suspended dust would not be likely, but where dust accumulations might form on or in the vicinity of electric equipment. These areas may contain equipment from which appreciable quantities of dust would escape under abnormal operating conditions or be adjacent to a Class II Division 1 location, as described above, into which an explosive or ignitable concentration of dust may be put into suspension under abnormal operating conditions.

*Class III locations.* Class III locations are those that are hazardous because of the presence of easily ignitable fibers or flyings, but in which such fibers or flyings are not likely to be in suspension in the air in quantities sufficient to produce ignitable mixtures. Class III locations include the following:

(1) *Class III, Division 1.* A Class III, Division 1 location is a location in which easily ignitable fibers or materials producing combustible flyings are handled, manufactured, or used.

NOTE TO THE DEFINITION OF "CLASS III, DIVISION 1:" Such locations usually include some parts of rayon, cotton, and other textile mills; combustible fiber manufacturing and processing plants; cotton gins and cottonseed mills; flax-processing plants; clothing manufacturing plants; woodworking plants, and establishments; and industries involving similar hazardous processes or conditions.

Easily ignitable fibers and flyings include rayon, cotton (including cotton linters and cotton waste), sisal or henequen, istle, jute, hemp, tow, cocoa fiber, oakum, baled waste kapok, Spanish moss, excelsior, and other materials of similar nature.

(2) *Class III, Division 2.* A Class III, Division 2 location is a location in which easily ignitable fibers are stored or handled, other than in the process of manufacture.

*Collector ring.* An assembly of slip rings for transferring electric energy from a stationary to a rotating member.

*Competent Person.* One who is capable of identifying existing and predictable hazards in the surroundings or working conditions that are unsanitary, hazardous, or dangerous to employees and who has authorization to take prompt corrective measures to eliminate them.

*Concealed.* Rendered inaccessible by the structure or finish of the building. Wires in concealed raceways are considered concealed, even though they may become accessible by withdrawing them. (See Accessible. (As applied to wiring methods.))

*Conductor*—(1) *Bare.* A conductor having no covering or electrical insulation whatsoever.

(2) *Covered.* A conductor encased within material of composition or thickness that is not recognized by this subpart as electrical insulation.

(3) *Insulated.* A conductor encased within material of composition and thickness that is recognized by this subpart as electrical insulation.

*Conduit body.* A separate portion of a conduit or tubing system that provides access through one or more removable covers to the interior of the system at a junction of two or more sections of the system or at a terminal point of the system. Boxes such as FS and FD or larger cast or sheet metal boxes are not classified as conduit bodies.

*Controller.* A device or group of devices that serves to govern, in some predetermined manner, the electric power delivered to the apparatus to which it is connected.

*Covered conductor.* See Conductor.

*Cutout.* (Over 600 volts, nominal.) An assembly of a fuse support with either a fuseholder, fuse carrier, or disconnecting blade. The fuseholder or fuse carrier may include a conducting element (fuse link), or may act as the disconnecting blade by the inclusion of a nonfusible member.

*Cutout box.* An enclosure designed for surface mounting and having swinging doors or covers secured directly to and telescoping with the walls of the box proper. (See Cabinet.)

*Damp location.* See Location.

*Dead front.* Without live parts exposed to a person on the operating side of the equipment

*Deenergized.* Free from any electrical connection to a source of potential difference and from electrical charge; not having a potential different from that of the earth.

*Device.* A unit of an electrical system that is intended to carry but not utilize electric energy.

*Dielectric heating.* The heating of a nominally insulating material due to its own dielectric losses when the material is placed in a varying electric field.

*Disconnecting means.* A device, or group of devices, or other means by which the conductors of a circuit can be disconnected from their source of supply.

*Disconnecting (or Isolating) switch.* (Over 600 volts, nominal.) A mechanical switching device used for isolating a circuit or equipment from a source of power.

*Electrolytic cell line working zone.* The cell line working zone is the space envelope wherein operation or maintenance is normally performed on or in the vicinity of exposed energized surfaces of electrolytic cell lines or their attachments.

*Electrolytic cells.* A tank or vat in which electrochemical reactions are caused by applying energy for the purpose of refining or producing usable materials.

*Enclosed.* Surrounded by a case, housing, fence, or walls that will prevent persons from accidentally contacting energized parts.

*Enclosure.* The case or housing of apparatus, or the fence or walls surrounding an installation to prevent personnel from accidentally contacting energized parts, or to protect the equipment from physical damage.

*Energized.* Electrically connected to a source of potential difference.

*Equipment.* A general term including material, fittings, devices, appliances, fixtures, apparatus, and the like, used as a part of, or in connection with, an electrical installation.

*Equipment grounding conductor.* See Grounding conductor, equipment.

*Explosion-proof apparatus.* Apparatus enclosed in a case that is capable of withstanding an explosion of a specified gas or vapor that may occur within it and of preventing the ignition of a specified gas or vapor surrounding the enclosure by sparks, flashes, or explosion of the gas or vapor within, and that operates at such an external temperature that it will not ignite a surrounding flammable atmosphere.

*Exposed.* (As applied to live parts.) Capable of being inadvertently touched or

approached nearer than a safe distance by a person. It is applied to parts not suitably guarded, isolated, or insulated. (See Accessible and Concealed.)

*Exposed.* (As applied to wiring methods.) On or attached to the surface, or behind panels designed to allow access. (See Accessible. (As applied to wiring methods.))

*Exposed.* (For the purposes of §1910.308(e).) Where the circuit is in such a position that in case of failure of supports or insulation, contact with another circuit may result.

*Externally operable.* Capable of being operated without exposing the operator to contact with live parts.

*Feeder.* All circuit conductors between the service equipment, the source of a separate derived system, or other power supply source and the final branch-circuit overcurrent device.

*Fitting.* An accessory such as a locknut, bushing, or other part of a wiring system that is intended primarily to perform a mechanical rather than an electrical function.

*Fountain.* Fountains, ornamental pools, display pools, and reflection pools.

NOTE TO THE DEFINITION OF "FOUNTAIN:" This definition does not include drinking fountains.

*Fuse.* (Over 600 volts, nominal.) An overcurrent protective device with a circuit opening fusible part that is heated and severed by the passage of overcurrent through it. A fuse comprises all the parts that form a unit capable of performing the prescribed functions. It may or may not be the complete device necessary to connect it into an electrical circuit.

*Ground.* A conducting connection, whether intentional or accidental, between an electric circuit or equipment and the earth, or to some conducting body that serves in place of the earth.

*Grounded.* Connected to the earth or to some conducting body that serves in place of the earth.

*Grounded, effectively.* Intentionally connected to earth through a ground connection or connections of sufficiently low impedance and having sufficient current-carrying capacity to prevent the buildup of voltages that may result in undue hazards to connected equipment or to persons.

*Grounded conductor.* A system or circuit conductor that is intentionally grounded.

*Grounding conductor.* A conductor used to connect equipment or the grounded circuit of a wiring system to a grounding electrode or electrodes.

*Grounding conductor, equipment.* The conductor used to connect the noncurrent-carrying metal parts of equipment, raceways, and other enclosures to the system grounded conductor, the grounding electrode conductor, or both, at the service equipment or at the source of a separately derived system.

*Grounding electrode conductor.* The conductor used to connect the grounding electrode to the equipment grounding conductor, to the grounded conductor, or to both, of the circuits at the service equipment or at the source of a separately derived system.

*Ground-fault circuit-interrupter.* A device intended for the protection of personnel that functions to deenergize a circuit or a portion of a circuit within an established period of time when a current to ground exceeds some predetermined value that is less than that required to operate the overcurrent protective device of the supply circuit.

*Guarded.* Covered, shielded, fenced, enclosed, or otherwise protected by means of suitable covers, casings, barriers, rails, screens, mats, or platforms to remove the likelihood of approach to a point of danger or contact by persons or objects.

*Health care facilities.* Buildings or portions of buildings in which medical, dental, psychiatric, nursing, obstetrical, or surgical care are provided.

NOTE TO THE DEFINITION OF "HEALTH CARE FACILITIES:" Health care facilities include, but are not limited to, hospitals, nursing homes, limited care facilities, clinics, medical and dental offices, and ambulatory care centers, whether permanent or movable.

*Heating equipment.* For the purposes of §1910.306(g), the term "heating equipment" includes any equipment used for heating purposes if heat is generated by induction or dielectric methods.

*Hoistway.* Any shaftway, hatchway, well hole, or other vertical opening or space that is designed for the operation of an elevator or dumbwaiter.

*Identified (as applied to equipment).* Approved as suitable for the specific

purpose, function, use, environment, or application, where described in a particular requirement.

**NOTE TO THE DEFINITION OF “IDENTIFIED:”** Some examples of ways to determine suitability of equipment for a specific purpose, environment, or application include investigations by a nationally recognized testing laboratory (through listing and labeling), inspection agency, or other organization recognized under the definition of “acceptable.”

**Induction heating.** The heating of a nominally conductive material due to its own I<sup>2</sup>R losses when the material is placed in a varying electromagnetic field.

**Insulated.** Separated from other conducting surfaces by a dielectric (including air space) offering a high resistance to the passage of current.

**Insulated conductor.** See Conductor, Insulated.

**Interrupter switch.** (Over 600 volts, nominal.) A switch capable of making, carrying, and interrupting specified currents.

**Irrigation Machine.** An electrically driven or controlled machine, with one or more motors, not hand portable, and used primarily to transport and distribute water for agricultural purposes.

**Isolated.** (As applied to location.) Not readily accessible to persons unless special means for access are used.

**Isolated power system.** A system comprising an isolating transformer or its equivalent, a line isolation monitor, and its ungrounded circuit conductors.

**Labeled.** Equipment is “labeled” if there is attached to it a label, symbol, or other identifying mark of a nationally recognized testing laboratory:

(1) That makes periodic inspections of the production of such equipment, and

(2) Whose labeling indicates compliance with nationally recognized standards or tests to determine safe use in a specified manner.

**Lighting outlet.** An outlet intended for the direct connection of a lampholder, a lighting fixture, or a pendant cord terminating in a lampholder.

**Line-clearance tree trimming.** The pruning, trimming, repairing, maintaining, removing, or clearing of trees or cutting of brush that is within 305 cm (10 ft) of electric supply lines and equipment.

**Listed.** Equipment is “listed” if it is of a kind mentioned in a list that:

(1) Is published by a nationally recognized laboratory that makes periodic inspection of the production of such equipment, and

(2) States that such equipment meets nationally recognized standards or has been tested and found safe for use in a specified manner.

**Live parts.** Energized conductive components.

**Location—(1) Damp location.** Partially protected locations under canopies, marquees, roofed open porches, and like locations, and interior locations subject to moderate degrees of moisture, such as some basements, some barns, and some cold-storage warehouses.

(2) **Dry location.** A location not normally subject to dampness or wetness. A location classified as dry may be temporarily subject to dampness or wetness, as in the case of a building under construction.

(3) **Wet location.** Installations underground or in concrete slabs or masonry in direct contact with the earth, and locations subject to saturation with water or other liquids, such as vehicle-washing areas, and locations unprotected and exposed to weather.

**Medium voltage cable (Type MV).** A single or multiconductor solid dielectric insulated cable rated 2001 volts or higher.

**Metal-clad cable (Type MC).** A factory assembly of one or more insulated circuit conductors with or without optical fiber members enclosed in an armor of interlocking metal tape, or a smooth or corrugated metallic sheath.

**Mineral-insulated metal-sheathed cable (Type MI).** Type MI, mineral-insulated metal-sheathed, cable is a factory assembly of one or more conductors insulated with a highly compressed refractory mineral insulation and enclosed in a liquidtight and gastight continuous copper or alloy steel sheath.

**Mobile X-ray.** X-ray equipment mounted on a permanent base with wheels or casters or both for moving while completely assembled.

**Motor control center.** An assembly of one or more enclosed sections having a common power bus and principally containing motor control units.



*Nonmetallic-sheathed cable (Types NM, NMC, and NMS).* A factory assembly of two or more insulated conductors having an outer sheath of moisture resistant, flame-retardant, nonmetallic material.

*Oil (filled) cutout. (Over 600 volts, nominal.)* A cutout in which all or part of the fuse support and its fuse link or disconnecting blade are mounted in oil with complete immersion of the contacts and the fusible portion of the conducting element (fuse link), so that arc interruption by severing of the fuse link or by opening of the contacts will occur under oil.

*Open wiring on insulators.* Open wiring on insulators is an exposed wiring method using cleats, knobs, tubes, and flexible tubing for the protection and support of single insulated conductors run in or on buildings, and not concealed by the building structure.

*Outlet.* A point on the wiring system at which current is taken to supply utilization equipment.

*Outline lighting.* An arrangement of incandescent lamps or electric discharge lighting to outline or call attention to certain features, such as the shape of a building or the decoration of a window.

*Overcurrent.* Any current in excess of the rated current of equipment or the ampacity of a conductor. It may result from overload, short circuit, or ground fault.

*Overhaul* means to perform a major replacement, modification, repair, or rehabilitation similar to that involved when a new building or facility is built, a new wing is added, or an entire floor is renovated.

*Overload.* Operation of equipment in excess of normal, full-load rating, or of a conductor in excess of rated ampacity that, when it persists for a sufficient length of time, would cause damage or dangerous overheating. A fault, such as a short circuit or ground fault, is not an overload. (See Overcurrent.)

*Panelboard.* A single panel or group of panel units designed for assembly in the form of a single panel; including buses, automatic overcurrent devices, and with or without switches for the control of light, heat, or power circuits; designed to be placed in a cabi-

net or cutout box placed in or against a wall or partition and accessible only from the front. (See Switchboard.)

*Permanently installed decorative fountains and reflection pools.* Pools that are constructed in the ground, on the ground, or in a building in such a manner that the fountain or pool cannot be readily disassembled for storage, whether or not served by electrical circuits of any nature. These units are primarily constructed for their aesthetic value and are not intended for swimming or wading.

*Permanently installed swimming, wading, and therapeutic pools.* Pools that are constructed in the ground or partially in the ground, and all other capable of holding water in a depth greater than 1.07 m (42 in.). The definition also applies to all pools installed inside of a building, regardless of water depth, whether or not served by electric circuits of any nature.

*Portable X-ray.* X-ray equipment designed to be hand-carried.

*Power and control tray cable (Type TC).* A factory assembly of two or more insulated conductors, with or without associated bare or covered grounding conductors under a nonmetallic sheath, approved for installation in cable trays, in raceways, or where supported by a messenger wire.

*Power fuse. (Over 600 volts, nominal.)* See Fuse.

*Power-limited tray cable (Type PLTC).* A factory assembly of two or more insulated conductors under a nonmetallic jacket.

*Power outlet.* An enclosed assembly, which may include receptacles, circuit breakers, fuseholders, fused switches, buses, and watt-hour meter mounting means, that is intended to supply and control power to mobile homes, recreational vehicles, or boats or to serve as a means for distributing power needed to operate mobile or temporarily installed equipment.

*Premises wiring. (Premises wiring system.)* The interior and exterior wiring, including power, lighting, control, and signal circuit wiring together with all of their associated hardware, fittings, and wiring devices, both permanently and temporarily installed, that extends from the service point of utility conductors or source of power (such as a

battery, a solar photovoltaic system, or a generator, transformer, or converter) to the outlets. Such wiring does not include wiring internal to appliances, fixtures, motors, controllers, motor control centers, and similar equipment.

*Qualified person.* One who has received training in and has demonstrated skills and knowledge in the construction and operation of electric equipment and installations and the hazards involved.

NOTE 1 TO THE DEFINITION OF "QUALIFIED PERSON:" Whether an employee is considered to be a "qualified person" will depend upon various circumstances in the workplace. For example, it is possible and, in fact, likely for an individual to be considered "qualified" with regard to certain equipment in the workplace, but "unqualified" as to other equipment. (See 1910.332(b)(3) for training requirements that specifically apply to qualified persons.)

NOTE 2 TO THE DEFINITION OF "QUALIFIED PERSON:" An employee who is undergoing on-the-job training and who, in the course of such training, has demonstrated an ability to perform duties safely at his or her level of training and who is under the direct supervision of a qualified person is considered to be a qualified person for the performance of those duties.

*Raceway.* An enclosed channel of metal or nonmetallic materials designed expressly for holding wires, cables, or busbars, with additional functions as permitted in this standard. Raceways include, but are not limited to, rigid metal conduit, rigid nonmetallic conduit, intermediate metal conduit, liquidtight flexible conduit, flexible metallic tubing, flexible metal conduit, electrical metallic tubing, electrical nonmetallic tubing, underfloor raceways, cellular concrete floor raceways, cellular metal floor raceways, surface raceways, wireways, and busways.

*Readily accessible.* Capable of being reached quickly for operation, renewal, or inspections, so that those needing ready access do not have to climb over or remove obstacles or to resort to portable ladders, chairs, etc. (See Accessible.)

*Receptacle.* A receptacle is a contact device installed at the outlet for the connection of an attachment plug. A single receptacle is a single contact device with no other contact device on

the same yoke. A multiple receptacle is two or more contact devices on the same yoke.

*Receptacle outlet.* An outlet where one or more receptacles are installed.

*Remote-control circuit.* Any electric circuit that controls any other circuit through a relay or an equivalent device.

*Sealable equipment.* Equipment enclosed in a case or cabinet that is provided with a means of sealing or locking so that live parts cannot be made accessible without opening the enclosure. The equipment may or may not be operable without opening the enclosure.

*Separately derived system.* A premises wiring system whose power is derived from a battery, a solar photovoltaic system, or from a generator, transformer, or converter windings, and that has no direct electrical connection, including a solidly connected grounded circuit conductor, to supply conductors originating in another system.

*Service.* The conductors and equipment for delivering electric energy from the serving utility to the wiring system of the premises served.

*Service cable.* Service conductors made up in the form of a cable.

*Service conductors.* The conductors from the service point to the service disconnecting means.

*Service drop.* The overhead service conductors from the last pole or other aerial support to and including the splices, if any, connecting to the service-entrance conductors at the building or other structure.

*Service-entrance cable.* A single conductor or multiconductor assembly provided with or without an overall covering, primarily used for services, and is of the following types:

(1) *Type SE.* Type SE, having a flame-retardant, moisture resistant covering; and

(2) *Type USE.* Type USE, identified for underground use, having a moisture-resistant covering, but not required to have a flame-retardant covering. Cabled, single-conductor, Type USE constructions recognized for underground use may have a bare copper conductor cabled with the assembly.

Type USE single, parallel, or cable conductor assemblies recognized for underground use may have a bare copper concentric conductor applied. These constructions do not require an outer overall covering.

*Service-entrance conductors, overhead system.* The service conductors between the terminals of the service equipment and a point usually outside the building, clear of building walls, where joined by tap or splice to the service drop.

*Service entrance conductors, underground system.* The service conductors between the terminals of the service equipment and the point of connection to the service lateral.

*Service equipment.* The necessary equipment, usually consisting of one or more circuit breakers or switches and fuses, and their accessories, connected to the load end of service conductors to a building or other structure, or an otherwise designated area, and intended to constitute the main control and cutoff of the supply.

*Service point.* The point of connection between the facilities of the serving utility and the premises wiring.

*Shielded nonmetallic-sheathed cable (Type SNM).* A factory assembly of two or more insulated conductors in an extruded core of moisture-resistant, flame-resistant nonmetallic material, covered with an overlapping spiral metal tape and wire shield and jacketed with an extruded moisture-, flame-, oil-, corrosion-, fungus-, and sunlight-resistant nonmetallic material.

*Show window.* Any window used or designed to be used for the display of goods or advertising material, whether it is fully or partly enclosed or entirely open at the rear and whether or not it has a platform raised higher than the street floor level.

*Signaling circuit.* Any electric circuit that energizes signaling equipment.

*Storable swimming or wading pool.* A pool that is constructed on or above the ground and is capable of holding water to a maximum depth of 1.07 m (42 in.), or a pool with nonmetallic, molded polymeric walls or inflatable fabric walls regardless of dimension.

*Switchboard.* A large single panel, frame, or assembly of panels on which

are mounted, on the face or back, or both, switches, overcurrent and other protective devices, buses, and (usually) instruments. Switchboards are generally accessible from the rear as well as from the front and are not intended to be installed in cabinets. (See Panel-board.)

*Switch*—(1) *General-use switch.* A switch intended for use in general distribution and branch circuits. It is rated in amperes, and it is capable of interrupting its rated current at its rated voltage.

(2) *General-use snap switch.* A form of general-use switch constructed so that it can be installed in device boxes or on box covers, or otherwise used in conjunction with wiring systems recognized by this subpart.

(3) *Isolating switch.* A switch intended for isolating an electric circuit from the source of power. It has no interrupting rating, and it is intended to be operated only after the circuit has been opened by some other means.

(4) *Motor-circuit switch.* A switch, rated in horsepower, capable of interrupting the maximum operating overload current of a motor of the same horsepower rating as the switch at the rated voltage.

*Switching devices. (Over 600 volts, nominal.)* Devices designed to close and open one or more electric circuits. Included in this category are circuit breakers, cutouts, disconnecting (or isolating) switches, disconnecting means, interrupter switches, and oil (filled) cutouts.

*Transportable X-ray.* X-ray equipment installed in a vehicle or that may readily be disassembled for transport in a vehicle.

*Utilization equipment.* Equipment that utilizes electric energy for electronic, electromechanical, chemical, heating, lighting, or similar purposes.

*Ventilated.* Provided with a means to permit circulation of air sufficient to remove an excess of heat, fumes, or vapors.

*Volatile flammable liquid.* A flammable liquid having a flash point below 38 °C (100 °F), or a flammable liquid whose temperature is above its flash point, or a Class II combustible liquid having a vapor pressure not exceeding 276 kPa

(40 psia) at 38 °C (100 °F) and whose temperature is above its flash point.

*Voltage (of a circuit).* The greatest root-mean-square (rms) (effective) difference of potential between any two conductors of the circuit concerned.

*Voltage, nominal.* A nominal value assigned to a circuit or system for the purpose of conveniently designating its voltage class (as 120/240 volts, 480Y/277 volts, 600 volts). The actual voltage at which a circuit operates can vary from the nominal within a range that permits satisfactory operation of equipment.

*Voltage to ground.* For grounded circuits, the voltage between the given conductor and that point or conductor of the circuit that is grounded; for ungrounded circuits, the greatest voltage between the given conductor and any other conductor of the circuit.

*Watertight.* So constructed that moisture will not enter the enclosure.

*Weatherproof.* So constructed or protected that exposure to the weather will not interfere with successful operation. Rainproof, raintight, or watertight equipment can fulfill the requirements for weatherproof where varying weather conditions other than wetness, such as snow, ice, dust, or temperature extremes, are not a factor.

*Wireways.* Sheet-metal troughs with hinged or removable covers for housing and protecting electric wires and cable and in which conductors are laid in place after the wireway has been installed as a complete system.

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#### APPENDIX A TO SUBPART S OF PART 1910—REFERENCES FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

The references contained in this appendix provide nonmandatory information that can be helpful in understanding and complying with subpart S of this Part. However, compliance with these standards is not a substitute for compliance with subpart S of this Part.

ANSI/API RP 500–1998 (2002) *Recommended Practice for Classification of Locations for Electrical Installations at Petroleum Facilities Classified as Class I Division 1 and Division 2.*

ANSI/API RP 505–1997 (2002) *Recommended Practice for Classification of Locations for Electrical Installations at Petroleum Facilities Classified as Class I, Zone 0, Zone 1 and Zone 2.*

ANSI/ASME A17.1–2004 *Safety Code for Elevators and Escalators.*

ANSI/ASME B30.2–2005 *Overhead and Gantry Cranes (Top Running Bridge, Single or Multiple Girder, Top Running Trolley Hoist).*

ANSI/ASME B30.3–2004 *Construction Tower Cranes.*

ANSI/ASME B30.4–2003 *Portal, Tower, and Pedestal Cranes.*

ANSI/ASME B30.5–2004 *Mobile And Locomotive Cranes.*

ANSI/ASME B30.6–2003 *Derricks.*

ANSI/ASME B30.7–2001 *Base Mounted Drum Hoists.*

ANSI/ASME B30.8–2004 *Floating Cranes And Floating Derricks.*

ANSI/ASME B30.11–2004 *Monorails And Underhung Cranes.*

ANSI/ASME B30.12–2001 *Handling Loads Suspended from Rotorcraft.*

ANSI/ASME B30.13–2003 *Storage/Retrieval (S/R) Machines and Associated Equipment.*

ANSI/ASME B30.16–2003 *Overhead Hoists (Underhung).*

ANSI/ASME B30.22–2005 *Articulating Boom Cranes.*

ANSI/ASSE Z244.1–2003 *Control of Hazardous Energy Lockout/Tagout and Alternative Methods.*

ANSI/ASSE Z490.1–2001 *Criteria for Accepted Practices in Safety, Health, and Environmental Training.*

ANSI/IEEE C2–2002 *National Electrical Safety Code.*

ANSI K61.1–1999 *Safety Requirements for the Storage and Handling of Anhydrous Ammonia.*

ANSI/UL 913–2003 *Intrinsically Safe Apparatus and Associated Apparatus for Use in Class I, II, and III, Division 1, Hazardous (Classified) Locations.*

ASTM D3176–1989 (2002) *Standard Practice for Ultimate Analysis of Coal and Coke.*

ASTM D3180–1989 (2002) *Standard Practice for Calculating Coal and Coke Analyses from As-Determined to Different Bases.*

NFPA 20–2003 *Standard for the Installation of Stationary Pumps for Fire Protection.*

NFPA 30–2003 *Flammable and Combustible Liquids Code.*

NFPA 32–2004 *Standard for Drycleaning Plants.*

NFPA 33–2003 *Standard for Spray Application Using Flammable or Combustible Materials.*

NFPA 34–2003 *Standard for Dipping and Coating Processes Using Flammable or Combustible Liquids.*

NFPA 35–2005 *Standard for the Manufacture of Organic Coatings.*

NFPA 36–2004 *Standard for Solvent Extraction Plants.*

NFPA 40–2001 *Standard for the Storage and Handling of Cellulose Nitrate Film.*

NFPA 58–2004 *Liquefied Petroleum Gas Code.*

NFPA 59–2004 *Utility LP-Gas Plant Code.*

NFPA 70–2002 *National Electrical Code. (See also NFPA 70–2005.)*