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Summary

Recommendation ITU-T K.21 specifies resistibility requirements and test procedures for telecommunication equipment that is installed in or on a customer's premises.

Overvoltages or overcurrents covered by this Recommendation include surges due to lightning on or near the line plant, short-term induction from adjacent a.c. power lines or railway systems, earth potential rise due to power faults, direct contacts between telecommunication lines and power lines and electrostatic discharges. The sources for overvoltages in internal lines are mainly inductive coupling caused by lightning currents being conducted in nearby lightning strokes or lightning currents being conducted in nearby conductors.

Major changes compared with the 2008 version of this Recommendation include:

- updating the references;
- information on what USB ports should be tested;
- information on when to add protection to untested ports;
- adding test requirements for external coaxial cable ports;
- adding test requirements for multiple conductor internal unshielded cable ports.

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Resistibility of telecommunication equipment installed in customer premises to overvoltages and overcurrents

1 Scope

This Recommendation specifies resistibility requirements and test procedures for telecommunication equipment which is attached to or installed within a customer's premises. The requirements of this Recommendation assume that earthing and bonding is in accordance with [ITU-T K.66].

The types of equipment covered by this Recommendation includes all types of telecommunication equipment, e.g., modems, telephones, routers, implementations of digital subscriber lines and personal computers.

NOTE – Associated equipment containing ports with a low surge impedance to earth connected by short cables, e.g., printers using USB cables, may be susceptible to damage due to circulating earth currents. Refer to [ITU-T K.66] and [b-ITU-T K.85] for methods of protection.

This Recommendation applies to both external and internal ports. [ITU-T K.44], covering basic test methods and test circuits, is an integral part of this Recommendation. It should be read in conjunction with [ITU-T K.11] and [ITU-T K.39].

2 References

The following ITU-T Recommendations and other references contain provisions which, through reference in this text, constitute provisions of this Recommendation. At the time of publication, the editions indicated were valid. All Recommendations and other references are subject to revision; users of this Recommendation are therefore encouraged to investigate the possibility of applying the most recent edition of the Recommendations and other references listed below. A list of the currently valid ITU-T Recommendations is regularly published. The reference to a document within this Recommendation does not give it, as a stand-alone document, the status of a Recommendation.

- [ITU-T K.11] Recommendation ITU-T K.11 (2009), *Principles of protection against overvoltages and overcurrents*.
- [ITU-T K.39] Recommendation ITU-T K.39 (1996), *Risk assessment of damages to telecommunication sites due to lightning discharges*.
- [ITU-T K.44] Recommendation ITU-T K.44 (2011), *Resistibility tests for telecommunication equipment exposed to overvoltages and overcurrents – Basic Recommendation*.
- [ITU-T K.66] Recommendation ITU-T K.66 (2011), *Protection of customer premises from overvoltages*.
- [IEC 61000-4-2] IEC 61000-4-2 (2008), *Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) – Part 4-2: Testing and measurement techniques – Electrostatic discharge immunity test*.
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3 Definitions, abbreviations and conventions

The definitions, abbreviations, conventions and symbols used in this Recommendation are defined in [ITU-T K.44].

4 Tests

A summary of the tests applicable to equipment installed in a customer's premises is given in Table 1. The numbers given in the "port type" columns, e.g., 2.2.1a, refer to the "Test No." of Tables 2 to 5. The words "under study" mean that ITU-T is still studying this test. The test conditions applicable to the four ports (symmetric, coaxial, dedicated power feed and mains power) are given in Tables 2 to 5. The test conditions for electrostatic discharge (ESD) are given in Table 6. The test conditions for internal cable ports are given in Table 7. For information on the headings and terms used in the tables, refer to clause 10 of [ITU-T K.44].

Refer to clause 5.2 of [ITU-T K.44] on selecting the enhanced resistibility requirement.

NOTE 1 – The port to external port test for the basic test level does not apply when the equipment is designed to be always used with a connection to earth.

NOTE 2 – The external port test applies to ports used to connect externally-attached equipment to equipment installed within the same building. The mains power contact test does not apply in this situation. Where the equipment, external to the building, is installed in the "inherently protected" area shown in Figure 3 of [b-ITU-T K.71], the internal port test can be applied.

NOTE 3 – The power induction test does not apply to ports used to connect to antennas installed under the scope of [b-ITU-T K.71].

NOTE 4 – The internal port tests in Table 7 apply to ports connected by short cables, e.g., universal serial bus (USB) and printer cables. Table 7 does not apply to ports connected infrequently, e.g., for maintenance ports.

Table 1a – Applicable tests for external ports

Test type	No. of pairs simultaneously tested	Test connections	Primary protection	Port type			
				Symmetric port	Co-axial port	Dedicated power feed port	Mains power port
Lightning/voltage	Single	Transverse/differential	No	2.1.1a	3.1.1	4.1.1a	5.1.1a
		Port to earth	No	2.1.1b	n.a.	4.1.1b	5.1.1b
		Port to external port	No	2.1.1c	n.a.	4.1.1c	5.1.1c
		Transverse/differential	Yes	2.1.2a	3.1.2	4.1.2a	5.1.2a
		Port to earth	Yes	2.1.2b	n.a.	4.1.2b	5.1.2b
		Port to external port	Yes	2.1.2c	n.a.	4.1.2c	5.1.2c
	Multiple	Port to earth	No	2.1.3a	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
		Port to external port	No	2.1.3b	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
		Port to earth	Yes	2.1.4a	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
		Port to external port	Yes	2.1.4b	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.

Table 1a – Applicable tests for external ports

Test type	No. of pairs simultaneously tested	Test connections	Primary protection	Port type			
				Symmetric port	Co-axial port	Dedicated power feed port	Mains power port
Lightning current	Single	Port to earth	No	2.1.5a	n.a.	4.1.5a	n.a.
		Port to external port	No	2.1.5b	n.a.	4.1.5b	n.a.
	Multiple	Port to earth	No	2.1.6a	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
		Port to external port	No	2.1.6b	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
		Differential	n.a.	n.a.	3.1.3	n.a.	n.a.
		Shield to earth	n.a.	n.a.	3.1.4	n.a.	n.a.
		Shield to external port	n.a.	n.a.	3.1.5	n.a.	n.a.
Power induction and earth potential rise	Single	Transverse	No	2.2.1a	3.2.1	4.2.1a	n.a.
		Port to earth	No	2.2.1b	n.a.	4.2.1b	5.2.1 under study
		Port to external port	No	2.2.1c	n.a.	4.2.1c	5.2.1 under study
		Transverse	Yes	2.2.2a	3.2.2	4.2.2a	n.a.
		Port to earth	Yes	2.2.2b	n.a.	4.2.2b	n.a.
		Port to external port	Yes	2.2.2c	n.a.	4.2.2c	n.a.
Neutral potential rise	Single	Port to earth	No	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	5.2.2a
		Port to external port	No	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	5.2.2b
Mains power contact	Single	Transverse	No	2.3.1a	n.a.	4.3.1a	n.a.
		Port to earth	No	2.3.1b	n.a.	4.3.1b	n.a.
		Port to external port	No	2.3.1c	n.a.	4.3.1c	n.a.

Table 1b – Applicable tests for ports connected to internal cabling

Test type	Primary protection	Unshielded cable	Shielded cable	Floating d.c. power interface	Earthed d.c. power interface
Lightning	No	7.1	7.2	7.3	7.4

Table 2a – Lightning test conditions for ports connected to external symmetric pair cables

Test No.	Test description	Test circuit and waveform (see figures in Annex A of [ITU-T K.44])	Basic test levels (also see clause 7 of [ITU-T K.44])	Enhanced test levels (also see clauses 5 and 7 of [ITU-T K.44])	Number of tests	Primary protection	Acceptance criteria	Comments
2.1.1a	Single pair, lightning, inherent, transverse	A.3-1 and A.6.1-1 (a and b) 10/700 µs	$U_{c(max)} = 1.5 \text{ kV}$ $R = 25 \Omega$	$U_{c(max)} = 1.5 \text{ kV}$ $R = 25 \Omega$	5 of each polarity	None	A (Note)	<p>Test 2.1.1 does not apply when the equipment is designed to be always used with primary protection and the operator agrees. If this test is not performed, the appropriate test from Table 7 applies.</p> <p>If the inherent protection of the port under test contains surge protective devices (SPDs) that are connected to earth, a $U_{c(max)}$ of 1.5 kV shall be used instead of 6 kV.</p> <p>If the equipment has an insulated case, the 6 kV test is applied with the equipment wrapped in conductive foil and the foil is connected to the generator return. When the equipment contains high current-carrying components which eliminate the need for primary protection, this test does not apply.</p>
2.1.1b	Single pair, lightning, inherent, port to earth	A.3-1 and A.6.1-2 10/700 µs	$U_{c(max)} = 1.5 \text{ kV}$ $R = 25 \Omega$	$U_{c(max)} = 6 \text{ kV}$ See comments $R = 25 \Omega$				
2.1.1c	Single pair, lightning, inherent, port to external port	A.3-1 and A.6.1-3 10/700 µs	$U_{c(max)} = 1.5 \text{ kV}$ $R = 25 \Omega$	$U_{c(max)} = 6 \text{ kV}$ See comments $R = 25 \Omega$				

Table 2a – Lightning test conditions for ports connected to external symmetric pair cables

Test No.	Test description	Test circuit and waveform (see figures in Annex A of [ITU-T K.44])	Basic test levels (also see clause 7 of [ITU-T K.44])	Enhanced test levels (also see clauses 5 and 7 of [ITU-T K.44])	Number of tests	Primary protection	Acceptance criteria	Comments
2.1.2a	Single pair, lightning, coordination, transverse	A.3-1 and A.6.1-1 (a and b) 10/700 µs	$U_{c(max)} = 4 \text{ kV}$ $R = 25 \Omega$	$U_{c(max)} = 6 \text{ kV}$ $R = 25 \Omega$	5 of each polarity	Special test protector (STP); see clause 8.4 of [ITU-T K.44]. When performing the external port to external port test, also add an STP/primary protector to the untested port.	A (Note) When the test is performed with $U_c = U_{c(max)}$, the special test protector must operate. Of course it may also operate with a voltage of $U_c < U_{c(max)}$.	When the equipment contains high current-carrying components which eliminate the need for primary protection, refer to clause 10.1.1 of [ITU-T K.44].
2.1.2b	Single pair, lightning, coordination, port to earth	A.3-1 and A.6.1-2 10/700 µs	$U_{c(max)} = 4 \text{ kV}$ $R = 25 \Omega$	$U_{c(max)} = 6 \text{ kV}$ $R = 25 \Omega$				
2.1.2c	Single pair, lightning, coordination, port to external port	A.3-1 and A.6.1-3 10/700 µs	$U_{c(max)} = 4 \text{ kV}$ $R = 25 \Omega$ $U_{c(max)} = 4 \text{ kV}$ $R = 25 \Omega$	$U_{c(max)} = 6 \text{ kV}$ $R = 25 \Omega$				
2.1.3a	Multiple pair, lightning, inherent, port to earth	A.3-1 and A.6.1-4 10/700 µs	$U_{c(max)} = 1.5 \text{ kV}$ $R = 25 \Omega$	$U_{c(max)} = 1.5 \text{ kV}$ $R = 25 \Omega$	5 of each polarity	None	A (Note)	The multiple pairs test is simultaneously applied to 100% of the pairs in the same street cable but limited to a maximum of 8 pairs. This test does not apply when the equipment is designed to be always used with primary protection. When the equipment contains high current-carrying components which eliminate the need for primary protection, this test does not apply.
2.1.3b	Multiple pair, lightning, inherent, port to external port	A.3-1 and A.6.1-5 10/700 µs	$U_{c(max)} = 1.5 \text{ kV}$ $R = 25 \Omega$	$U_{c(max)} = 1.5 \text{ kV}$ $R = 25 \Omega$				

Table 2a – Lightning test conditions for ports connected to external symmetric pair cables

Test No.	Test description	Test circuit and waveform (see figures in Annex A of [ITU-T K.44])	Basic test levels (also see clause 7 of [ITU-T K.44])	Enhanced test levels (also see clauses 5 and 7 of [ITU-T K.44])	Number of tests	Primary protection	Acceptance criteria	Comments
2.1.4a	Multiple pair, lightning, port to earth	A.3-1 and A.6.1-4 10/700 μ s	$U_{c(max)} = 4 \text{ kV}$ $R = 25 \Omega$	$U_{c(max)} = 6 \text{ kV}$ $R = 25 \Omega$	5 of each polarity	Agreed primary protector. When performing the external port to external port test, also add an STP/primary protector to the untested port.	A (Note)	The multiple pairs test is simultaneously applied to 100% of the pairs in the same street cable but limited to a maximum of 8 pairs. When the equipment contains high current-carrying components which eliminate the need for primary protection, do not remove these components and do not add primary protection.
2.1.4b	Multiple pair, lightning, port to external port	A.3-1 and A.6.1-5 10/700 μ s	$U_{c(max)} = 4 \text{ kV}$ $R = 25 \Omega$	$U_{c(max)} = 6 \text{ kV}$ $R = 25 \Omega$				

Table 2a – Lightning test conditions for ports connected to external symmetric pair cables

Test No.	Test description	Test circuit and waveform (see figures in Annex A of [ITU-T K.44])	Basic test levels (also see clause 7 of [ITU-T K.44])	Enhanced test levels (also see clauses 5 and 7 of [ITU-T K.44])	Number of tests	Primary protection	Acceptance criteria	Comments
2.1.5a	Single pair, lightning current, port to earth	A.3-4 and A.6.1-2 8/20 μs	I = 1 kA/wire R = 0 Ω	I = 5 kA/wire R = 0 Ω	5 of each polarity	None	A (Note)	This test only applies when the equipment contains high current-carrying components which eliminate the need for primary protection. Do not remove these components. The multiple pairs test is simultaneously applied to 100% of the pairs in the same street cable but limited to a maximum of 8 pairs. * Peak current is set by the weaker of the ports under test and the external port coupled to earth.
2.1.5b	Single pair, lightning current, port to external port	A.3-4 and A.6.1-3 8/20 μs	I = 1 kA/wire R = 0 Ω	I = 5 kA/wire R = 0 Ω				
2.1.6a	Multiple pair, lightning current, port to earth	A.3-4 and A.6.1-4 8/20 μs	I = 1 kA/wire Limited to 6 kA total R = 0 Ω	I = 5 kA/wire Limited to 30 kA total R = 0 Ω	5 of each polarity	None	A (Note)	
2.1.6b	Multiple pair, lightning current, port to external port	A.3-4 and A.6.1-5 8/20 μs	I = 1 kA/wire Limited to 6 kA total* R = 0 Ω	I = 5 kA/wire Limited to 30 kA total* R = 0 Ω				

NOTE – The performance criterion A of [ITU-T K.44] is applied.

Table 2b – Power induction and earth potential rise test conditions for ports connected to external symmetric pair cables

Test No.	Test description	Test circuit (see figures in Annex A of [ITU-T K.44])	Basic test levels (also see clause 7 of [ITU-T K.44])	Enhanced test levels (also see clauses 5 and 7 of [ITU-T K.44])	Number of tests	Primary protection	Acceptance criteria	Comments
2.2.1a	Power induction, inherent, transverse	A.3-6 and A.6.1-1 (a and b)	$W_{sp(max)} = 0.2 \text{ A}^2\text{s}$ Frequency = $16 \frac{2}{3}$, 50 or 60 Hz $U_{a.c.(max)} = 600 \text{ V}$ $R = 600 \Omega$ $t = 0.2 \text{ s}$	$W_{sp(max)} = 0.2 \text{ A}^2\text{s}$ Frequency = $16 \frac{2}{3}$, 50 or 60 Hz $U_{a.c.(max)} = 600 \text{ V}$ $R = 600 \Omega$ $t = 0.2 \text{ s}$	5	None	A (Note 4)	<p>This test does not apply when the equipment is designed to be always used with primary protection and the operator agrees.</p> <p>When the equipment contains high current-carrying components which eliminate the need for primary protection, this test does not apply.</p>
2.2.1b	Power induction and earth potential rise, inherent, port to earth	A.3-6 and A.6.1-2						
2.2.1c	Power induction and earth potential rise, inherent, port to external port	A.3-6 and A.6.1-3						
2.2.2a	Power induction inherent/coordination, transverse	A.3-6 and A.6.1-1 (a and b)	$W_{sp(max)} = 1 \text{ A}^2\text{s}$ Frequency = $16 \frac{2}{3}$, 50 or 60 Hz $U_{a.c.(max)} = 600 \text{ V}$ $R = 600 \Omega$ $t = 1.0 \text{ s}$ (Note 1)	$W_{sp(max)} = 10 \text{ A}^2\text{s}$ Frequency = $16 \frac{2}{3}$, 50 or 60 Hz $U_{a.c.(max)} = 1500 \text{ V}$ $R = 200 \Omega$ $t_{(max)} = 2 \text{ s}$ $t = \frac{W_{sp} \times R^2}{(U_{a.c.})^2} \quad (4-1)$ (Note 2)	5	Special test protector (STP); see clause 8.4 of [ITU-T K.44]. When performing the external port to external port test, also add an STP/primary protector to the untested port.	A (Note 4)	<p>When the equipment contains high current-carrying components which eliminate the need for primary protection, refer to clause 10.1.3 of [ITU-T K.44].</p>
2.2.2b	Power induction and earth potential rise, inherent/coordination, port to earth	A.3-6 and A.6.1-2						
2.2.2c	Power induction and earth potential rise, inherent/coordination, port to external earth	A.3-6 and A.6.1-3						

Table 2b – Power induction and earth potential rise test conditions for ports connected to external symmetric pair cables

Test No.	Test description	Test circuit (see figures in Annex A of [ITU-T K.44])	Basic test levels (also see clause 7 of [ITU-T K.44])	Enhanced test levels (also see clauses 5 and 7 of [ITU-T K.44])	Number of tests	Primary protection	Acceptance criteria	Comments
2.3.1a	Mains power contact, transverse	A.3-6 and A.6.1-1 (a and b)	U _{a.c.} = 230 V Frequency = 50 Hz t = 15 min for each test resistor R = 10, 20, 40, 80, 160, 300, 600 and 1000 Ω See acceptance criteria column.	U _{a.c.} = 230 V Frequency = 50 Hz t = 15 min for each test resistor R = 10, 20, 40, 80, 160, 300, 600 and 1000 Ω See acceptance criteria column.	1	None	For basic level: criterion B. For enhanced level: criterion A for test resistors 160, 300 and 600 Ω; criterion B for the other resistor.	In some situations, the test may be performed with a reduced number of current limit resistors. Refer to item 11, clause 7.2 of [ITUT-T K.44] and clause I.1.4 of [ITUT-T K.44] for guidance on selecting the necessary size of resistors. When the equipment is designed to be always used with primary protection, and the operator agrees, perform this test with the special test protector installed.
2.3.1b	Mains power contact, port to earth	A.3-6 and A.6.1-2						
2.3.1c	Mains power contact, port to external port	A.3-6 and A.6.1-3						

NOTE 1 – The test conditions for Test 2.2.2 (basic test level) may be adapted to the local conditions, by variation of the test parameters within the following limits, so that I²t = 1 A²s is fulfilled:

U_{a.c.(max)} = 300 V... 600 V, selected to meet local conditions;

t ≤ 1.0 s, selected to meet local conditions;

R ≤ 600 Ω, is to be calculated according to Equation 4-2:

$$R = U_{a.c.(max)} \sqrt{\frac{t}{1 A^2 s}}$$

(4-2)

Table 2b – Power induction and earth potential rise test conditions for ports connected to external symmetric pair cables

NOTE 2 – For Test 2.2.2 (enhanced test level), the equipment shall comply with the specified criterion for all voltage/time combinations bounded (on and below) by the $10 \text{ A}^2\text{s}$ voltage/time curve in Figure 1. The curve in Figure 1 is defined by Equation 4-1 and the boundary conditions in this table.

NOTE 3 – The a.c. mains voltage and frequency for Test 2.3.1 may be changed to the local mains supply voltage and frequency values. For a.c. test voltage values other than 230 V, the test resistor values should be adjusted to provide the same prospective short-circuit current values that occur in the 230 V test condition.

NOTE 4 – The performance criterion A of [ITU-T K.44] is applied.

Table 3a – Lightning test conditions for ports connected to external coaxial cables

Test No.	Test description	Test circuit and waveform (see figures in Annex A of [ITU-T K.44])	Basic test levels (also see clause 7 of [ITU-T K.44])	Enhanced test levels (also see clauses 5 and 7 of [ITU-T K.44])	Number of tests	Primary protection	Acceptance criteria	Comments
3.1.1	Lightning, inherent, differential	A.3-5 and A.6.2-1 1.2/50 – 8/20 combination wave	$U_{c(max)} = 1.0 \text{ kV}$ $R = 0 \Omega$	$U_{c(max)} = 1.5 \text{ kV}$ $R = 0 \Omega$	5 of each polarity	None	A (Note 3)	This test does not apply when the equipment is designed to be always used with primary protection. When the equipment contains high current-carrying components which eliminate the need for primary protection, this test does not apply.
3.1.2	Lightning, coordination, differential	A.3.5 and A.6.2-1 1.2/50 – 8/20 combination wave	$U_{c(max)} = 4 \text{ kV}$ $R = 0 \Omega$	$U_{c(max)} = 6 \text{ kV}$ $R = 0 \Omega$	5 of each polarity	Special test protector (STP); see clause 8.4 of [ITU-T K.44]. When performing the external port to external port test, also add an STP/primary protector to the untested port.	A (Note 3) When the test is performed with $U_c = U_{c(max)}$, the special test protector must operate. Of course it may also operate with a voltage of $U_c < U_{c(max)}$.	When the equipment contains high current-carrying components which eliminate the need for primary protection, refer to clause 10.2 of [ITU-T K.44].

Table 3a – Lightning test conditions for ports connected to external coaxial cables

Test No.	Test description	Test circuit and waveform (see figures in Annex A of [ITU-T K.44])	Basic test levels (also see clause 7 of [ITU-T K.44])	Enhanced test levels (also see clauses 5 and 7 of [ITU-T K.44])	Number of tests	Primary protection	Acceptance criteria	Comments
3.1.3	Lightning, current, differential	A.3.4 and A.6.2-1 8/20	I = 1 kA	I = 5 kA	5 of each polarity	None	A (Note 3)	This test only applies when the equipment contains high current-carrying components which eliminate the need for primary protection. Do not remove these components.
3.1.4	Lightning shield test, port to earth	A.3.4 and A.6.2-2 8/20	I = 4 kA (Note 1) I = 2 kA (Note 2)	I = 20 kA (Note 1) I = 5 kA (Note 2)	5 of each polarity	Special test protector (STP); see clause 8.4 of [ITU-T K.44]. When performing the external port to external port test, also add an STP/primary protector to the untested port.	A (Note 3)	Only applies to earthed equipment and equipment without isolation capacitors in the coaxial cable path.

Table 3a – Lightning test conditions for ports connected to external coaxial cables

Test No.	Test description	Test circuit and waveform (see figures in Annex A of [ITU-T K.44])	Basic test levels (also see clause 7 of [ITU-T K.44])	Enhanced test levels (also see clauses 5 and 7 of [ITU-T K.44])	Number of tests	Primary protection	Acceptance criteria	Comments
3.1.5	Lightning shield test, port to external port	A.3.4 and A.6.2-3 8/20	I = 4 kA (Note 1) I = 2 kA (Note 2)	I = 20 kA (Note 1) I = 5 kA (Note 2)	5 of each polarity	Special test protector (STP); see clause 8.4 of [ITU-T K.44]. When performing the external port to external port test, also add an STP/primary protector to the untested port.	A (Note 3)	Only applies to earthed equipment and equipment without isolation capacitors in the coaxial cable path.
<p>NOTE 1 – Equipment designed to be connected to antennas/equipment exposed to direct lightning currents, e.g., connected to antennas/equipment mounted on a tower.</p> <p>NOTE 2 – Applicable equipment not covered by Note 1.</p> <p>NOTE 3 – The performance criterion A of [ITU-T K.44] is applied.</p>								

Table 3b – Power induction and earth potential rise test conditions for ports connected to external coaxial cables

NOTE – The test conditions for earth potential rise are under study.

Table 4a – Lightning test conditions for ports connected to external d.c. or a.c. dedicated power feeding cables

Test No.	Test description	Test circuit and waveform (see figures in Annex A of [ITU-T K.44])	Basic test levels (also see clause 7 of [ITU-T K.44])	Enhanced test levels (also see clauses 5 and 7 of [ITU-T K.44])	Number of tests	Primary protection	Acceptance criteria	Comments
4.1.1a	Single pair, lightning, inherent, transverse	A.3-1 and A.6.3-1 (a and b) 10/700 μ s	$U_{c(max)} = 1.5$ kV $R = 25$ Ω	$U_{c(max)} = 1.5$ kV $R = 25$ Ω	5 of each polarity	None	A (Note 2)	<p>Test 4.1.1 does not apply when the equipment is designed to be always used with primary protection and the operator agrees. If this test is not performed, the appropriate test from Table 7 applies.</p> <p>If the inherent protection of the port under test contains SPDs that are connected to earth, a $U_{c(max)}$ of 1.5 kV shall be used instead of 6 kV.</p> <p>If the equipment has an insulated case, the 6 kV test is applied with the equipment wrapped in conductive foil and the foil is connected to the generator return.</p> <p>When the equipment contains high current-carrying components which eliminate the need for primary protection, this test does not apply.</p>
4.1.1b	Single pair, lightning, inherent, port to earth	A.3-1 and A.6.3-2 10/700 μ s	$U_{c(max)} = 1.5$ kV $R = 25$ Ω	$U_{c(max)} = 6$ kV $R = 25$ Ω				
4.1.1c	Single pair, lightning, inherent, port to external port	A.3-1 and A.6.3-3 10/700 μ s	$U_{c(max)} = 1.5$ kV $R = 25$ Ω	$U_{c(max)} = 6$ kV $R = 25$ Ω				

Table 4a – Lightning test conditions for ports connected to external d.c. or a.c. dedicated power feeding cables

Test No.	Test description	Test circuit and waveform (see figures in Annex A of [ITU-T K.44])	Basic test levels (also see clause 7 of [ITU-T K.44])	Enhanced test levels (also see clauses 5 and 7 of [ITU-T K.44])	Number of tests	Primary protection	Acceptance criteria	Comments
4.1.2a	Single pair, lightning, coordination, transverse	A.3-1 and A.6.3-1 (a and b) 10/700 μ s	$U_{c(max)} = 4$ kV $R = 25 \Omega$	$U_{c(max)} = 6$ kV $R = 25 \Omega$	5 of each polarity	Special test protector (STP); see clause 8.4 of [ITU-T K.44]. When performing the external port to external port test, also add an STP/primary protector to the untested port.	A (Note 2) When the test is performed with $U_c = U_{c(max)}$, the special test protector must operate. Of course it may also operate with a voltage of $U_c < U_{c(max)}$.	When the equipment contains high current-carrying components which eliminate the need for primary protection, do not remove these components and do not add primary protection. During the test this protection must operate at $U_c = U_{c(max)}$. If the primary protector is a clamping type device, use the test circuit and test levels specified in Test 4.1.5.
4.1.2b	Single pair, lightning, coordination, port to earth	A.3-1 and A.6.3-2 10/700 μ s	$U_{c(max)} = 4$ kV $R = 25 \Omega$	$U_{c(max)} = 6$ kV $R = 25 \Omega$				
4.1.2c	Single pair, lightning, coordination, port to external port	A.3-1 and A.6.3-3 10/700 μ s	$U_{c(max)} = 4$ kV $R = 25 \Omega$	$U_{c(max)} = 6$ kV $R = 25 \Omega$				
4.1.3	Multiple pair, lightning, inherent, port to earth and port to external port		n.a.	n.a.				
4.1.4	Multiple pair, lightning, port to earth and port to external port		n.a.	n.a.				

Table 4a – Lightning test conditions for ports connected to external d.c. or a.c. dedicated power feeding cables

Test No.	Test description	Test circuit and waveform (see figures in Annex A of [ITU-T K.44])	Basic test levels (also see clause 7 of [ITU-T K.44])	Enhanced test levels (also see clauses 5 and 7 of [ITU-T K.44])	Number of tests	Primary protection	Acceptance criteria	Comments
4.1.5a	Single pair, lightning current, port to earth	A.3-4 and A.6.3-2 8/20 μ s	I = 1 kA/wire R = 0 Ω	I = 5 kA/wire R = 0 Ω	5 of each polarity	None	A (Note 2)	This test only applies when the equipment contains high current-carrying components which eliminate the need for primary protection. Do not remove these components.
4.1.5b	Single pair, lightning current, port to external port	A.3-4 and A.6.3-3 8/20 μ s	I = 1 kA/wire R = 0 Ω	I = 5 kA/wire R = 0 Ω				
4.1.6	Multiple pair, lightning current		n.a.	n.a.				
<p>NOTE 1 – As there is little knowledge of the agreed primary protector, it is not possible to give guidance. In the interim, test conditions for symmetric pair ports have been provided.</p> <p>NOTE 2 – The performance criterion A of [ITU-T K.44] is applied.</p>								

**Table 4b – Power induction and earth potential rise test conditions for ports
connected to external d.c. or a.c. dedicated power feeding cables**

Test No.	Test description	Test circuit (see figures in Annex A of [ITU-T K.44])	Basic test levels (also see clause 7 of [ITU-T K.44])	Enhanced test levels (also see clauses 5 and 7 of [ITU-T K.44])	Number of tests	Primary protection	Acceptance criteria	Comments
4.2.1a	Power induction, inherent, transverse	A.3-6 and A.6.3-1 (a and b)	$W_{sp(max)} = 0.2 \text{ A}^2\text{s}$ Frequency = 16 ⅔, 50 or 60 Hz $U_{a.c.(max)} = 600 \text{ V}$ $R = 600 \Omega$ $t = 0.2 \text{ s}$	$W_{sp(max)} = 0.2 \text{ A}^2\text{s}$ Frequency = 16 ⅔, 50 or 60 Hz $U_{a.c.(max)} = 600 \text{ V}$ $R = 600 \Omega$ $t = 0.2 \text{ s}$	5	None	A (Note 4)	<p>This test does not apply when the equipment is designed to be always used with primary protection and the operator agrees.</p> <p>When the equipment contains high current-carrying components which eliminate the need for primary protection, this test does not apply.</p>
4.2.1b	Power induction and earth potential rise, inherent, port to earth	A.3-6 and A.6.3-2						
4.2.1c	Power induction and earth potential rise, inherent, port to external port	A.3-6 and A.6.3-3						
4.2.2a	Power induction, inherent/coordination, transverse	A.3-6 and A.6.3-1 (a and b)	$W_{sp(max)} = 1 \text{ A}^2\text{s}$ Frequency = 16 ⅔, 50 or 60 Hz $U_{a.c.(max)} = 600 \text{ V}$ $R = 600 \Omega$ $t = 1.0 \text{ s}$ (Note 1)	$W_{sp(max)} = 10 \text{ A}^2\text{s}$ Frequency = 16 ⅔, 50 or 60 Hz $U_{a.c.(max)} = 1500 \text{ V}$ $R = 200 \Omega$ $t_{(max)} = 2 \text{ s}$ $t = \frac{W_{sp} \times R^2}{(U_{a.c.})^2} \quad (4-1)$ (Note 2)	5	Special test protector (STP); see clause 8.4 of [ITU-T K.44]. When performing the external port to external port test, also add an STP/primary protector to the untested port.	A (Note 4)	<p>When the equipment contains high current-carrying components which eliminate the need for primary protection, do not remove these components and do not add primary protection.</p>
4.2.2b	Power induction and earth potential rise, inherent/coordination, port to earth	A.3-6 and A.6.3-2						

**Table 4b – Power induction and earth potential rise test conditions for ports
connected to external d.c. or a.c. dedicated power feeding cables**

Test No.	Test description	Test circuit (see figures in Annex A of [ITU-T K.44])	Basic test levels (also see clause 7 of [ITU-T K.44])	Enhanced test levels (also see clauses 5 and 7 of [ITU-T K.44])	Number of tests	Primary protection	Acceptance criteria	Comments
4.2.2c	Power induction and earth potential rise, inherent/ coordination, port to external port	A.3-6 and A.6.3-3						
4.3.1a	Mains power contact, transverse	A.3-6 and A.6.3-1 (a and b)	$U_{a.c.} = 230 \text{ V}$ Frequency = 50 Hz t = 15 min for each test resistor R = 10, 20, 40, 80, 160, 300, 600 and 1000 Ω See acceptance criteria column.	$U_{a.c.} = 230 \text{ V}$ Frequency = 50 Hz t = 15 min for each test resistor R = 10, 20, 40, 80, 160, 300, 600 and 1000 Ω See acceptance criteria column.	1	None	For basic level: criterion B. For enhanced level: criterion A for test resistors 160, 300 and 600 Ω ; criterion B for the other resistor.	In some situations, the test may be performed with a reduced number of current limit resistors. Refer to item 11, clauses 7.2 and I.1.4 of [ITU-T K.44] for guidance on selecting the necessary size of resistors. When the equipment is designed to be always used with primary protection, and the operator agrees, perform this test with the special test protector installed.
4.3.1b	Mains power contact, port to earth	A.3-6 and A.6.3-2						
4.3.1c	Mains power contact, port to external port	A.3-6 and A.6.3-3						

**Table 4b – Power induction and earth potential rise test conditions for ports
connected to external d.c. or a.c. dedicated power feeding cables**

NOTE 1 – The test conditions for Test 4.2.2 (basic test level) may be adapted to the local conditions, by variation of the test parameters within the following limits, so that $I^2t = 1 \text{ A}^2\text{s}$ is fulfilled:

$U_{a.c.(max)} = 300 \text{ V} \dots 600 \text{ V}$, selected to meet local conditions;

$t \leq 1.0 \text{ s}$, selected to meet local conditions;

$R \leq 600 \Omega$, is to be calculated according to Equation 4-2:

$$R = U_{a.c.(max)} \sqrt{\frac{t}{1 \text{ A}^2\text{s}}} \quad (4-2)$$

NOTE 2 – For Test 4.2.2 (enhanced test level), the equipment shall comply with the specified criterion for all voltage/time combinations bounded (on and below) by the $10 \text{ A}^2\text{s}$ voltage/time curve in Figure 1. The curve in Figure 1 is defined by Equation 4-1 and the boundary conditions in this table.

NOTE 3 – The a.c. mains voltage and frequency for Test 2.3.1 may be changed to the local mains supply voltage and frequency values. For a.c. test voltage values other than 230 V , the test resistor values should be adjusted to provide the same prospective short-circuit current values that occur in the 230 V test condition.

NOTE 4 – The performance criterion A of [ITU-T K.44] is applied.

Table 5 – Test conditions for mains power ports

Test No.	Test description	Test circuit and waveform (see figures in Annex A of [ITU-T K.44])	Basic test levels (also see clause 7 of [ITU-T K.44])	Enhanced test levels (also see clauses 5 and 7 of [ITU-T K.44])	Number of tests	Primary protection	Acceptance criteria	Comments
5.1.1a	Lightning, inherent, transverse	A.3-5 and A.6.4-1 combination wave	$U_{c(max)} = 2.5 \text{ kV}$ $R = 0 \Omega$	$U_{c(max)} = 6.0 \text{ kV}$ $R = 0 \Omega$	5 of each polarity	None	A (Note 3)	This test does not apply when the equipment is designed to be always used with primary protection and the operator agrees.
5.1.1b	Lightning, inherent, port to earth	A.3-5 and A.6.4-2 combination wave	$U_{c(max)} = 2.5 \text{ kV}$ $R = 0 \Omega$	$U_{c(max)} = 6.0 \text{ kV}$ $R = 0 \Omega$				
5.1.1c	Lightning, inherent, port to external port	A.3-5 and A.6.4-3 combination wave	$U_{c(max)} = 2.5 \text{ kV}$ $R = 0 \Omega$	$U_{c(max)} = 6.0 \text{ kV}$ $R = 0 \Omega$				

Table 5 – Test conditions for mains power ports

Test No.	Test description	Test circuit and waveform (see figures in Annex A of [ITU-T K.44])	Basic test levels (also see clause 7 of [ITU-T K.44])	Enhanced test levels (also see clauses 5 and 7 of [ITU-T K.44])	Number of tests	Primary protection	Acceptance criteria	Comments
5.1.2a	Lightning, inherent/ coordination, transverse	A.3-5 and A.6.4-1 combination wave	$U_{c(max)} = 6.0 \text{ kV}$ $R = 0 \text{ }\Omega$	$U_{c(max)} = 10.0 \text{ kV}$ $R = 0 \text{ }\Omega$	5 of each polarity	Agreed primary protector (mains) (Note 2). When performing the external port to external port test, also add an STP/primary protector to the untested port.	A	
5.1.2b	Lightning, inherent/ coordination, port to earth	A.3-5 and A.6.4-2 combination wave	$U_{c(max)} = 6.0 \text{ kV}$ $R = 0 \text{ }\Omega$	$U_{c(max)} = 10.0 \text{ kV}$ $R = 0 \text{ }\Omega$				
5.1.2c	Lightning, inherent/ coordination, port to external port	A.3-5 for and A.6.4-3 combination wave	$U_{c(max)} = 6.0 \text{ kV}$ $R = 0 \text{ }\Omega$	$U_{c(max)} = 10.0 \text{ kV}$ $R = 0 \text{ }\Omega$				
5.2.1	Earth potential rise		Under study	Under study	5	None	A	
5.2.2a	Neutral potential rise, port to earth	A.3-6 and A.6.4-2 a.c.	$U_{a.c.} = 600 \text{ V}$ Frequency = 50 or 60 Hz $t = 1 \text{ s}$ $R = 200 \text{ }\Omega$	$U_{a.c.} = 1500 \text{ V}$ Frequency = 50 or 60 Hz $t = 1 \text{ s}$ $R = 200 \text{ }\Omega$	5	None	A	This test applies only when the equipment is to be installed with TT or IT mains system and the operator requests it.
5.2.2b	Neutral potential rise, port to external port	A.3-6 and A.6.4-3 a.c.						
NOTE 1 – The tests in this table apply to both mains powered equipment and the combination of plug pack and equipment for plug pack powered equipment.								
NOTE 2 – The total lead length used to connect the agreed primary protector shall be 1 m.								
NOTE 3 – The performance criterion A of [ITU-T K.44] is applied.								

Table 6 – Test conditions for ESD applied to the enclosure

Test No.	Test description	Test circuit	Basic test level	Enhanced test level	Number of tests	Primary protection	Acceptance criteria
6.1a	Air discharge	[IEC 61000-4-2] (2008)	Level 3	Level 4	5	n.a.	A (Note 2)
6.1b	Contact discharge	[IEC 61000-4-2] (2008)	Level 3	Level 4	5	n.a.	A (Note 2)

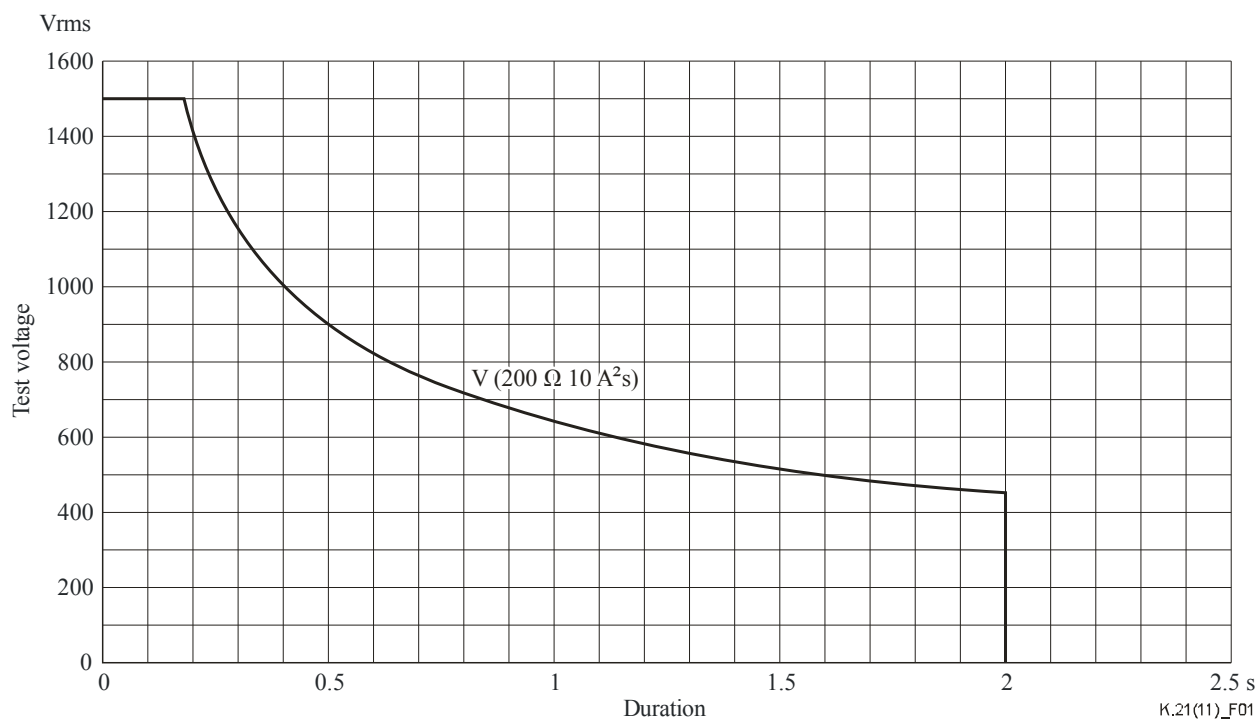
NOTE 1 – The test applies to the equipment enclosure.
NOTE 2 – The performance criterion A of [ITU-T K.44] is applied.

Table 7 – Lightning test conditions for ports connected to internal cables

Test No.	Test description	Test circuit and waveform (see Figures in Annex A of [ITU-T K.44])	Basic test levels (also see clause 7 of [ITU-T K.44])	Enhanced test levels (also see clauses 5 and 7 of [ITU-T K.44])	Number of tests	Primary protection	Acceptance criteria	Comments
7.1	Unshielded cable with symmetric pairs	Figures A.3-5 and A.6.5-1 $R = 10 \Omega$ (see note 2)	$U_{c(max)} = 1000 \text{ V}$	$U_{c(max)} = 1500 \text{ V}$	5 of each polarity	None	A (Note 3)	The test is applied simultaneously to all symmetric cable pairs connected to the equipment port under test.
7.2	Shielded cable	Figures A.3-5 and A.6.5-2 $R = 0 \Omega$	$U_{c(max)} = 1000 \text{ V}$	$U_{c(max)} = 1500 \text{ V}$	5 of each polarity	None	A (Note 3)	For USB ports, the test voltage is 10% of the test voltage shown in the table and the test is performed with the supplied cable (not the 20 m cable specified in Figure A.6.5-2).

Table 7 – Lightning test conditions for ports connected to internal cables

Test No.	Test description	Test circuit and waveform (see Figures in Annex A of [ITU-T K.44])	Basic test levels (also see clause 7 of [ITU-T K.44])	Enhanced test levels (also see clauses 5 and 7 of [ITU-T K.44])	Number of tests	Primary protection	Acceptance criteria	Comments
7.3	Floating d.c. power interface	Figures A.3-5 and A.6.6-2 $R = 0 \Omega$ Coupling element = $10 \Omega + 9 \mu\text{F}$ in series	$U_{c(\text{max})} = 1000 \text{ V}$	$U_{c(\text{max})} = 1500 \text{ V}$	5 of each polarity	None	A (Note 3)	For d.c. power supplies with both sides floating.
7.4	Earthed d.c. power interface	Figures A.3-5 and A.6.6-1a $R = 0 \Omega$ dpf1 coupling element = $10 \Omega + 9 \mu\text{F}$ in series dpf2 connected to generator return	$U_{c(\text{max})} = 1000 \text{ V}$	$U_{c(\text{max})} = 1500 \text{ V}$	5 of each polarity	None	A (Note 3)	For d.c. power supplies with one side earthed.
<p>NOTE 1 – For equipment without an earth connection, wrap the equipment in foil and connect the foil to the generator return.</p> <p>NOTE 2 – The value of R is independent of the number of conductors.</p> <p>NOTE 3 – The performance criterion A of [ITU-T K.44] is applied.</p>								



Test voltage versus duration for a specific energy and source resistance.

Figure 1 – Test voltage versus duration to give $10 A^2s$ with 200Ω

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