

**HOUSEHOLD AND SIMILAR ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES – SAFETY –
Part 1: General requirements**

INTERPRETATION SHEET

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Subclause 22.46

This subclause introduced by amendment 1 is clarified by following:

Software used in **protective electronic circuits** shall be **software class B** or **software class C**.

If failure of the software in the presence of another fault in the appliance would result in a hazard, then **software class B** shall be used. If failure of software alone would result in a hazard, then **software class C** shall be used.

*Compliance is checked by evaluating the software in accordance with the relevant requirements of Annex R and, for checking if the correct software class is used, by assessing whether failure of the function controlled by the software can result in a **dangerous malfunction**, electric shock, fire, mechanical or other hazard.*

NOTE 1 Software class A denotes software used for functional purposes.

NOTE 2 In case the software is modified, the evaluation and relevant tests are repeated if the modification can influence the results of the tests involving **protective electronic circuits**.