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This is the First Edition of ANSI/CAN/UL 5840, Standard for Electrical Systems of Battery Powered Aviation Ground Support Equipment, dated May 25, 2022 including applicable requirements for Canada. These requirements cover the electrical system of lithium based battery powered airport ground support equipment (GSE) with respect to a risk of fire, electric shock, and explosion hazards associated with the battery powered electrical system. These requirements also cover these electrical systems when they are used to convert fueled GSE to battery powered GSE.

The new requirements are substantially in accordance with Proposal(s) on this subject dated February 11, 2022.

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Preface

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INTRODUCTION

1 Scope

1.1 These requirements cover the electrical system of lithium based battery powered airport ground support equipment (GSE) with respect to a risk of fire, electric shock, and explosion hazards associated with the battery powered electrical system.

1.2 These requirements also cover these electrical systems when they are used to convert fueled GSE to battery powered GSE.

1.3 In accordance with [1.1](#), the minimum GSE electrical system consists of the battery and integral battery management system, interconnecting cables, and input connections for recharging the battery. In addition, the electrical system can also include power train components, electric motors, electric brakes, charging equipment and the like based on manufacturer preference.

1.4 GSE that is capable of being moved and used as a temporary source of power for other equipment, whether that equipment is either located on board the GSE or off board the GSE, is additionally evaluated based on mobile energy storage systems requirements.

1.5 This standard does not address the functional or operations aspects of the GSE such as steering, lifting, towing, and the like.

1.6 This standard does not address any equipment or electrical systems of equipment that are not considered GSE as defined within this standard.

1.7 In relation to conversion systems, these requirements do not address the function or mechanical state of the GSE being converted, or the parts located external to the manufacturer's defined electrical conversion system that may be powered from the electrical conversion system.

2 Components

2.1 A component of a product covered by this Standard shall:

- a) Comply with the requirements for that component as specified in this Standard;
- b) Be used in accordance with its rating(s) established for the intended conditions of use; and
- c) Be used within its established use limitations or conditions of acceptability.

2.2 A component of a product covered by this Standard is not required to comply with a specific component requirement that:

- a) Involves a feature or characteristic not required in the application of the component in the product;
- b) Is superseded by a requirement in this Standard; or
- c) Is separately investigated when forming part of another component, provided the component is used within its established ratings and limitations.

2.3 Specific components are incomplete in construction features or restricted in performance capabilities. Such components are intended for use only under limited conditions, such as certain temperatures not exceeding specified limits, and shall be used only under those specific conditions.

2.4 A component that is also intended to perform other functions such as overcurrent protection, ground-fault circuit-interruption, surge suppression, any other similar functions, or any combination thereof, shall comply additionally with the requirements of the applicable UL standard(s) that cover devices that provide those functions.

3 Units of Measurement

3.1 Values stated without parentheses are the requirement. Values in parentheses are explanatory or approximate information.

4 Referenced Publications

4.1 Any undated reference to a code or standard appearing in the requirements of this standard shall be interpreted as referring to the latest edition of that code or standard.

4.2 Products covered by this standard shall comply with the referenced installation codes and standards noted in this clause as referenced in the individual clauses of this standard.

4.3 The following publications are referenced in this Standard:

ANSI Z97.1, *Safety Glazing Materials Used in Buildings – Safety Performance Specifications and Methods of Test*

ASTM D1525, *Standard Test Method for Vicat Softening Temperature of Plastics*

ASTM E230/E230M, *Standard Specification for Temperature-Electromotive Force (emf) Tables for Standardized Thermocouples*

CSA C22.2 No. 0.8, *Safety Functions Incorporating Electronic Technology*

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CSA C22.2 No. 14, *Industrial Control Equipment*

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CAN/CSA C22.2 No. 96, *Portable Power Cables*

CSA C22.2 No. 100, *Motors and Generators*

CAN/CSA C22.2 No. 107.1, *Power Conversion Equipment*

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CSA C22.2 No. 182.3, *Special Use Attachment Plugs, Receptacles, and Connectors*

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