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Foreword

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Protection against lightning — Physical damage to structures and life hazard

1 Scope

1.1 The scopes of all parts of SANS 62305 apply, with the inclusion of

a) thatched roof structures, and

b) buildings with explosive or flammable substances.

1.2 This standard makes provision for the issuing of a Lightning protection system installation safety report by an LPS designer or an LPS installer, and a Lightning protection system maintenance certificate.

2 Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies. Information on currently valid national and international standards can be obtained from the SABS Standards Division.

SANS 1063, Earth rods, couplers and connections.

SANS 10142-1, The wiring of premises – Part 1: Low-voltage installations.

SANS 10199, The design and installation of earth electrodes.

SANS 10225 (SABS 0225), The design and construction of lighting masts.

SANS 62305-2:2007/IEC 62305-2:2006, Protection against lightning – Part 2: Risk management.

SANS 62305-3:2007/IEC 62305-3:2006, Protection against lightning – Part 3: Physical damage to structures and life hazard.

SANS 62305-4/IEC 62305-4, Protection against lightning – Part 4: Electrical and electronic systems within structures.

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3 Definitions

For the purposes of this document, the definitions given in SANS 62305-3 and the following apply.

3.1

installation safety report

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report that is issued by a lightning protection system (LPS) designer or installer in respect of an LPS that complies with the relevant requirements of this standard Amdt 1

NOTE See annex A for an example of an Installation safety report for LPSs for the internal and external protection of structures. Amdt 1

3.2

LPS designer

person who is competent to design, construct and test the LPS for compliance with this standard Amdt 1

3.3

LPS installer

person who is competent to install, construct and test an LPS for compliance with this standard Amdt 1

3.4

thatch

dried reeds, grass or straw used in the construction of a thatched roof

4 Lightning protection system (LPS)

4.1 The requirements of SANS 62305-3 apply.

4.2 The LPS earthing shall be bonded to the fixed electrical installation protective earthing in accordance with the requirements of SANS 10142-1.

5 External lightning protection system

5.1 The requirements of SANS 62305-3 apply.

5.2 Products that artificially enhance the height of the air terminal (also referred to as "early, streamer emission devices") have not been proven and therefore, for the determination of the volume protected, only the real physical dimension of the metal air termination system shall be considered.

5.3 Radioactive air terminals are prohibited.

5.4 Earth electrodes shall be designed in accordance with SANS 10199.

NOTE The earth resistance of the electrode systems should preferably not be measured whilst the soil is wet.

6 Internal lightning protection system

The requirements in 6.1 to 6.3 of SANS 62305-3 apply. For the protection against overvoltages of internal systems, see SANS 62305-4.

7 Maintenance and inspection of an LPS

7.1 The requirements of SANS 62305-3 apply.

7.2 An Installation safety report (see annex A) shall be issued in respect of an inspected and compliant LPS by an LPS designer or an LPS installer. Amdt 1

7.3 In the case of an existing LPS installed before the approval of this edition of SANS 10313, where clearances complied with the requirements of another standard at the time of installation, this shall be noted on the Maintenance certificate (see annex B). Amdt 1

7.4 Testing of the LPS system shall include testing of the integrity of the earth continuity and equipotential bonding, and the readings shall be recorded on the Maintenance certificate. Testing should be performed before the start of each lightning season.

8 Protection measures against injury to living beings due to touch and step voltages

The requirements of SANS 62305-3 apply.

9 Risk management

The requirements of SANS 62305-2 apply. In the case of simple structures, a spreadsheet-based risk calculator has been developed by IEC TC 81 (see annex H in SANS 62305-2:2007). The software program can be purchased directly from the IEC.

NOTE The annual lightning ground flash density for specific areas in South Africa is given in annex C.

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10 Installation of earth rods and electrodes

10.1 The requirements of SANS 62305-3 apply with the additions given in 10.2 and 10.3.

10.2 Earth rods shall comply with the requirements of SANS 1063, and earth electrodes shall be installed in accordance with the requirements of SANS 10199.

10.3 Specific attention is drawn to the requirements for explosive manufacturing and storage areas (see 12.2).

11 Mast protection for thatched roofs

11.1 General

The requirements of SANS 62305-3 apply with the additions given in 11.2 to 11.7.

11.2 Dangerous sparking

Dangerous sparking between an LPS and a metal, an electrical or a telecommunication installation can be mitigated

- a) in the case of an isolated LPS, by insulation or separation in accordance with 6.3 of SANS 62305-3:2007;
- b) in the case of a non-isolated LPS, by equipotential bonding in accordance with 6.2, or by insulation or separation in accordance with 6.3 of SANS 62305-3:2007.

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11.3 Ageing of thatch

With ageing of the thatch, flammable gases could evolve within the thatch and the thatch could ignite.

NOTE Chemical treatment of the thatch will not prevent the ignition of gases.

11.4 Metals in or on the thatch

11.4.1 The presence of conductive materials could give rise to sparking inside the thatch, with a resulting fire risk. Conductive equipment within the structure and electrical conductors should not be installed within distances to the air-termination system conductors and to down conductors shorter than the separation distance defined in 5.2.4 of SANS 62305-3:2007. Installations shall comply with the requirements of an isolated LPS.

11.4.2 Where thatch is reinforced or protected by wire mesh or similar conductive material, bundles of thatch shall be secured with metal binding wire, and metal-coated insulating sheets shall be included in the thatch to reduce the risk of fire.

11.4.3 Metal sheeting and mesh shall be bonded together to ensure electrical continuity, and connected to the LPS earth.

11.4.4 All metal installed in or on a thatched structure shall be bonded to the main PE conductor.

11.5 Protection by masts

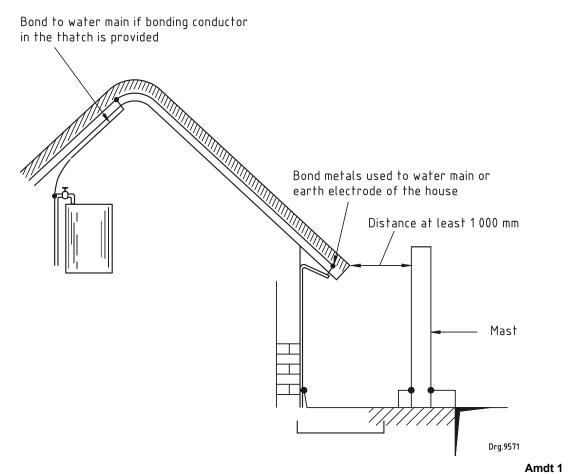
At least lightning protection level III (see SANS 62305-3) will apply in the case of thatched structures. If a metallic mast is used as an LPS, it shall be designed in accordance with SANS 10225. Protection shall be arranged by one or more free-standing masts. The zone of protection of the mast(s) shall include gable ends, chimneys, antennas, vent pipes and any other metal object. Telephone wires, overhead service connections to the electricity supply or other overhead metal wires or pipes shall not enter the structure through or close to the thatch. The distance from the mast to the thatch shall be not less than 1 000 mm.

11.6 Earthing of masts

All free-standing masts shall be earthed in accordance SANS 10199, and shall comply with SANS 62305-3.

11.7 Clearance distance between the thatch and the metal objects under the thatch

Metals used in the construction of a thatched roof shall be bonded and earthed. Water pipes, vent pipes, tanks, gas pipes, antennas, telephone and bell wires, burglar alarms and electrical wiring and conduit within 1 000 mm of the thatch shall be shielded, bonded and earthed (see SANS 10142-1).



NOTE A thatched roof is protected by a mast(s).

Figure 1 — Clearance distance between thatch and the mast

12 Structures with explosive or flammable substances

12.1 General

The requirements of SANS 62305-3 apply with the additions given in 12.2 and 12.3.

12.2 Risk in special locations

In the case of the design and installation of an LPS for a structure with explosive or flammable contents, or in a hazardous location, the LPS designer and installer shall consult a product specialist who can comment on and evaluate the risk with regard to the condition, quantity and sensitivity of explosive or flammable products (see annexes D and E in SANS 62305-3:2007).

NOTE A risk, acceptable to the user, might be present when the quantity of dangerous material is strictly limited, as in a laboratory or a small store, where the structure is sited in an isolated position, or where the structure had been specifically designed to restrict the effects of a catastrophe. In certain circumstances the dangerous materials might be not exposed but completely encased in a metal enclosure of adequate thickness (see annex D in SANS 62305-3:2007). Under these conditions, other than ensuring adequate earthing, lightning protection might not be required. In other situations, the risk to life and property could be so patently obvious that the provision of every means possible for protection from the consequences of a lightning discharge becomes essential.

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12.3 Design requirements

12.3.1 A type B ring earth electrode is required, according to 5.4.2.2 of SANS 62305-3:2007, with 100 % of its total length surrounding the structure, and installed at a distance of at least 1 000 mm from the structure in a trench of depth at least 500 mm. Structural reinforcing steel shall be bonded to the PE conductor and the LPS earthing system, with test points provided.

12.3.2 The explosives industry requires an earthing resistance of less that 10Ω (see annex D of SANS 62305-3:2007). The earthing system shall be tested in accordance with SANS 10199.

12.3.3 The number of earthing points shall be calculated in accordance with SANS 62305-3. Even when the results of the calculation indicate that an LPS is not required, the structure shall still be earthed at a minimum of two points.

12.3.4 The internal ring conductor shall be in accordance with table 9 of SANS 62305-3:2007, and shall be bonded to the LPS earthing system.

NOTE The use of steel frame buildings with metal cladding of all welded construction is now quite common for the storage of explosives.

12.3.5 All conductive surfaces of electrical, instrument and telecommunication cables that enter a space to be protected shall be protected by surge protection and earthed to the bonding bar to prevent lightning currents from entering the protected areas through the cable.

12.3.6 All conductive parts that enter or leave the area shall be protected in the form of sheathing or armouring. Railway lines, piping for gas, water, rain, steam, compressed air or any other service shall be bonded as direct as possible to the LPS earthing system. Underground metallic services shall be bonded to the LPS earthing system. This shall be done at the point where the service enters or leaves the space to be protected (see annex D in SANS 62305-3:2007).

12.3.7 The minimum clearance between the air-termination system and the structure where explosives and flammable substances are handled or stored shall be 1 000 mm, or shall be as required in accordance with SANS 62305-3, whichever is the greater.

12.3.8 All masts shall be installed outside the outer ring of the LPS earthing system.

12.3.9 All inspections, maintenance and tests on the entire LPS shall be done in accordance with SANS 10199 and SANS 62305-3.

12.3.10 Surge arresters shall be installed in accordance with D.5.1.1 in SANS 62305-3:2007.

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Annex A

(normative)

Lightning protection system installation safety report

		3										-6		Amdt 1
1. Location														
Physical add														
Name of bui	lding:													
Erf/Lot No.: Suburb/Township:														
District/Town/City Province:														
Type of insp	ection:		Repeat				Ado	ditional]			Visual		
Acceptance			Design			During construction								
Lightning gro (Flashes/km		ish der	nsity (<i>N</i> g):	A	ccepte	ed an	nua	l frequency	of lig	htnin	g flashes	to structu	ure (<i>N</i> c):
Protected sp	ace (de	escripti	ion):											
Risk assessi for system?	ment do	one	Yes	No	, [Risk asses report atta			Yes	No		
2. Risk ass	essme	nt												
User-specifie	ed acce	ptable	risk							Risl dire <i>R</i> _D	< of ct strike	Risk of indirect s <i>R</i> I	strike	Calculated risk <i>R</i>
Tolerance on risk: R_{T}	1	Loss life	of human	10 ⁻³		Use		alculated ks:	1					
	2	Loss	of services	10 ⁻³					2					
	3	Loss herita	of cultural	10 ⁻³					3					
3. Air-termi	nation		<u> </u>											
Thatched roof: Flat roof:	Yes]		vletal r	oof: Y	es		No 🗆	Haz	ardou	us locatio	n: Yes		No
LPS level:		-			II							IV		
Height of str	ucture:		ŀ	leight	of ma	st/cat	ena	ry:			Number	of mast(s	s):	
Mast design	in com	pliance	e with SANS	10225	: Sup	pplier	of r	nast:			Tel. No.:			
Air-termination	on syst	em:	F	Protect	tive an	ngle o	c :				Rolling s	phere rac	dius, m	:
Material use	d:	Lead		el (stair anized		^{or}	Ti	tanium] (Сорр	er	Alumini	^{um} \square] Zinc
4. Down co														
Material use		Steel (galvan	stainless or ized)	Сорре	er		AI	uminium [Spa	cing betw	een cond	luctors	m
Size of DTS						existir ed as		tructure vn	Ye	s 🗌	No		Desc	ription:
Reinforced concrete/me used?		Yes				nducto								
Mesh desigr	1:		umber of dow onductors:	'n		acing nducto		ween ring		cessi nts/te	ble rmination	Ye s:	s [
Accessible jo	oints/tei	rminati	ons:		Po	p-rive	ted		Sol	dere	d 🗌			
		-	reviation has		used:									
DTS down	DTS down conductor termination system													

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5. Earth-termination s	system						
Earthing arrangement	Type A Ty	pe B	Particular condition	ons:			
	Турс А Ту	рсъ	Reason for earthi		nt:		
Final equivalent earth re			ΩS	oil resistivity:			Ωm
6. Lightning equipote			1			1	
Equipotential bonding b			Yes]		No 🗌	
System connected to be installed:	onding bar		lecommunication	Pipes		Electrical	Equipment
Material used:		Ste	eel (stainless or gal	vanized)		Copper]
Conductor size used to bonding bar to ETS, mr	m ² :			Conductor siz metal installa			
7. Surge protective de	evices (SPDs)					
Design drawing No.:			Main incomer dist Load current	ribution board A	. F	Prospective short- rating	-circuit current kA
			Impulse current I		350 µs)		fuse current <i>I</i> k kA
SPD, class I: nominal a	.c. voltage U _N	V	Voltage protectior	n level at I _{imp} :	kV	<pre>/ Follow current capability:</pre>	extinguishing kA _{rms}
		Ň	Nominal discharge current <i>I</i> _n kA (8/20 μs)			Max. mains ov) protection	ercurrent A
SPD, class II: nominal a	a.c. voltage U _N	ı V	Voltage protection	Voltage protection level at I_n : V			ervoltage (TOV) V/5 s
8. Certification I/We, being the person(system (LPS), am/are of ^a Delete where not appli	competent to c						
9. Details of LPS desi	gner						
Name: Tel No.:		ID No Signa	o.: ature:		Compa Date:	any:	
10. Details of LPS ins	tallation insta	aller					
Name: Tel No.:		ID No Signa	o.: ature:		Compa Date:	any:	
11. Details of fixed el	ectrical Insta	lation			1		
Any work performed on person.	the fixed elec	trical i	nstallation with reg	ard to the LPS	shall be	e witnessed by an	accredited
Installation safety repor	t No.:			Date of	of installa	ation safety report	t:
12. Approval signatur				•		* I	
Name of lighting protec				Comp	any:		
Tel No.:		Date:					
ID No.: Signature: NOTE The following abbreviations have been used:							
Ŭ			een used:				
DTS down conductor ETS earth-termination		stem					
	,						Amdt 1

Annex B

(normative)

Lightning protection system maintenance certificate

Amo	it 1							
1. Location								
Physical address:								
Name of building:								
Erf/Lot No.: Suburb/Township:								
District/Town/City: Province:								
LPS level: I II III IV Date of last inspection:								
Type of inspection: Repeat Additional Visual Acceptance								
2. Details of LPS installation installer								
Name: ID No.: Company:								
Tel No.: Signature: Date of installation:								
3. Details of fixed electrical installation								
Any work performed on the fixed electrical installation with regard to the LPS shall be accompanied by an Installa	ation							
safety report issued by an accredited person.								
Original Installation safety report No.: Date of Installation safety report:								
4. Maintenance of LPS structure								
4.1 Air-termination system (ATS)								
Connection between ATS and down conductor: Acceptable Replaced Refastened]							
Material used: Lead Steel (stainless or Titanium Copper Aluminium Zin	c							
Straightness of mast used: Acceptable: Replaced Continuity of ATS:								
4.2 Down conductor system (DTS)								
Material used: Steel (stainless or Copper Aluminium Electrical conductivity of conductors: galvanized)	Ω							
Size of DTS conductors used, mm ^{2:} Accessible joints/terminations:								
Electrical conductivity of shielding measures: Ω Electrical conductivity of equipotential bonding lines:	Ω							
If reinforced concrete/metal parts are used as down conductors, is conductivity still present? Yes N	0							
4.2. Earth termination avatam								
4.3 Earth-termination system Earthing Type A Type B Identification of earth connection points visible? Yes N								
arrangement:								
Equivalent earth resistance, Ω : Soil resistivity, Ω .m: Earth termination system visible: Yes \Box N	o 🗌							
Connection betweenConnections acceptableConnections neededConnections neededDTS and ATS:refastening abe replaced a	d to 🗌							
Safe dispersing of lightning current: Yes								
^a In the event of connections that were refastened or replaced, please provide a drawing that shows the locatio these connections.	ns of							

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4.4 Lightning equipotential bonding	
Equipotential bonding bar inspected:	Acceptable Replaced ^b
System connected Telecommunication Pipes to bonding bar:	Electrical Equipment, describe:
	ction between bonding Acceptable Repaired ^c
Surge protective devices inspection: Acceptable	Damaged (reported to electrician)
Bonding of metal equipment checked: Pipes	Conduit 🗌 Gutters 🗌 Roofs 🗌
5. Approval signature	
Name of lightning protection inspector:	Company:
Tel No.:	Date:
ID No.:	Signature:
NOTE The following abbreviations have been used:	
ATS air-termination systems DTS down conductor termination system ETS earth-termination system	
^b In the event of an equipotential bonding bar that was replaequipment to the bonding bar shall be shown.	aced, proof of correct installation and reconnection of
^c In the event where the connection between the bonding b accredited personnel shall be submitted.	ar, the ETS and the DTS was repaired, proof of the repair by
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Annex C

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Lightning ground flash density N_g

NOTE For specific areas, contact the South African Weather Services.

Table C.1 — Lightning ground flash density

Table C.1 — Lightning ground flash density Amdt 1								
1	2	3	4	5	6			
Town	N g	Town	Ng	Town	Ng			
Aberdeen	1,8	Gobabis	2,6	Paarl	0,2			
Albertinia	0,5	Golden Gate	6,4	Petrus Steyn	4,4			
Alexandria	0,8	Grabouw	0,2	Pietermaritzburg	7,0			
Aliwal North	5,3	Graaff-Reinet	2,5	Piet Retief	11,7			
Aranos	1,6	Grahamstown	1,4	Piketberg	0,2			
Aroab	1,7	Greytown	5,5	Polokwane (Pietersburg)	3,6			
Barberton	7,5	Groblersdal	5,1	Pongola	6,3			
Beaufort West	1,7	Harding	5,5	Port Alfred	1,4			
Belfast	7,3	Harrismith	9,4	Port Elizabeth	0,9			
Bela Bela	7,5	Heidelberg (WC)	8,0	Potchefstroom	7,0			
Benoni	7,5	Heilbron	5,8	Pretoria	7,5			
Bergville	6,3	Hermanus	0,1	Prieska	3,0			
Bethal	8,6	Hluhluwe	6,0	Prince Albert	0,6			
Bethlehem	6,4	Hoedspruit	2,8	Queenstown	5,2			
Bethulie	3,3	Humansdorp	1,1	Reddersburg	6,4			
Bloemfontein	5,2	Irene	7,2	Richards Bay	5,2			
Bloemhof	4,8	Jagersfontein	2,2	Richmond (KZN)	8,0			
Blyderivierspoort	4,5	Johannesburg	7,5	Riversdale	0,2			
Boksburg	7,5	Jozini	5,6	Roedtan	4,9			
Brakpan	7,5	Keetmanshoop	1,2	Rustenburg	8,1			
Brandvlei	0,9	Kempton Park	7,5	Sabie	3,2			
Brits	8,0	Keiskammahoek	2,0	Satara	1,5			
Bultfontein	3,6	Kimberley	4,8	Schweizer-Reneke	5,6			
Burgersdorp	3,3	King William's Town	1,1	Scottburgh	3,0			
Butterworth	0,9	Klerksdorp	7,0	Senekal	4,7			
Cala	5,2	Knysna	0,4	Sishen	3,4			
Caledon	0,2	Komatipoort	2,6	Skukuza	2,3			
Calvinia	0,7	Kroonstad	5,8	Somerset East	0,8			
Cape Town	0,3	Krugersdorp	7,0	Springbok	0,6			
Carletonville	7,5	Kuruman	3,0	Springs	7,5			
Carnarvon	1,1	Ladybrand	5,4	Standerton	7,6			
Carolina	9,0	Ladismith (WC)	0,7	Stanger	3,5			
Cathcart	1,6	Ladysmith (KZN)	9,0	Stellenbosch	0,3			
Cedara	8,0	Laingsburg	0,6	Steytlerville	1,7			
Ceres	0,2	Lichtenburg	5,5	Sutherland	0,9			
Christiana	6,4	Loskop	4,3	Swakopmund	0,5			
Colenso	7,8	Lüderitz	0,4	Tarkastad	3,4			
Colesberg	3,0	Lydenburg	5,0	Thabazimbi	2,1			
Cradock	5,8	Machadodorp	8,7	Theunissen	5,2			
De Aar	2,5	Mafikeng	5,6	Touws River	0,3			
Delareyville	5,4	Makhado	1,5	Tsumeb	4,0			
Donnybrook	8,5	Malmesbury	0,1	Tzaneen	4,1			
Doornfontein	7,3	Mandini	3,4	Umtata	3,0			
Dordrecht	2,6	Margate	1,8	Uniondale	0,6			
Douglas	4,0	Marikana	6,9	Upington	2,2			
Dundee	9,2	Matatiele	6,6	Utrecht	9,0			
Durban	4,4	Middelburg (EC)	3,3	Ventersdorp	5,6			
East London	1,6	Middelburg (Mpumalanga)	4,6	Vereeniging	7,5			
Edenvale	5,6	Modimolle	7,0	Victoria West	1,4			
Elliott	4,2	Mokopane	3,4	Villiersdorp	0,4			
Empangeni	4,1	Molteno	1,6	Vredendal	0,2			

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					Amdt 1
1	2	3	4	5	6
Town	Ng	Town	Ng	Town	Ng
Ermelo Eshowe Evander	9,0 5,3 8,5	Montagu Mooi River Mookgopong	0,2 6,9 6,0	Vryburg Vryheid Walvis Bay	3,0 8,9 0,2
Flagstaff Fort Beaufort Fraserburg	4,9 1,4 1,3	Mossel Bay Murraysburg Nelspruit	0,5 1,9 2,7	Welkom Willowmore Windhoek	5,0 1,5 2,3
George Georgedale Germiston	1,5 5,6 7,5	Nossop Noupoort Ohrigstad	2,2 7,4 4,2	Witbank Zeerust	7,5 4,2
Giant's Castle Gobabes	13,0 0,2	Oshakati Oudtshoorn	2,3 0,5		

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