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- clause 4.2.1.1 added due to addition of new clause 4.2.1.2;
- addition of requirements in new clause 4.2.1.2 "Reliable insulation";
- the addition of the new clause 4.2.1.2 made it necessary to add the new header 4.2.1.1 "General requirements" to separate the requirement from the former clause 4.2.1 "Failure containment and redundancy" from the new requirements for "Reliable insulation";
- update to cover the aspects of "reliable insulation" also known as "double insulation";
- addition of several terms in clause 3.2 related to the added subject of "Reliable insulation".

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1**Scope**

This Standard establishes the basic rules and general principles applicable to the electrical, electronic, electromagnetic, microwave and engineering processes. It specifies the tasks of these engineering processes and the basic performance and design requirements in each discipline.

It defines the terminology for the activities within these areas.

It defines the specific requirements for electrical subsystems and payloads, deriving from the system engineering requirements laid out in ECSS-E-ST-10 “Space engineering – System engineering general requirements”.

This standard may be tailored for the specific characteristics and constraints of a space project in conformance with ECSS-S-ST-00.

Normative references

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EN reference	Reference in text	Title
EN 16601-00-01	ECSS-S-ST-00-01	<i>ECSS system – Glossary of terms</i>
EN 16603-10	ECSS-E-ST-10	<i>Space engineering – System engineering general requirements</i>
EN 16603-20-06	ECSS-E-ST-20-06	<i>Space engineering – Spacecraft charging</i>
EN 16603-20-07	ECSS-E-ST-20-07	<i>Space engineering – Electromagnetic compatibility</i>
EN 16603-20-08	ECSS-E-ST-20-08	<i>Space engineering - Photovoltaic assemblies and components</i>
EN 16603-20-20	ECSS-E-ST-20-20	<i>Space engineering - Electrical design and interface requirements for power supply</i>
EN 16603-33-11	ECSS-E-ST-33-11	<i>Space engineering – Explosive systems and devices</i>
EN 16603-50-05	ECSS-E-ST-50-05	<i>Space engineering – Radio frequency and modulation</i>
EN 16603-50-14	ECSS-E-ST-50-14	<i>Space engineering – Spacecraft discrete interfaces</i>
EN 16602-30-02	ECSS-Q-ST-30-02	<i>Space product assurance – Failure modes, effects (and criticality) analysis (FMEA/FMECA)</i>
EN 16602-30-11	ECSS-Q-ST-30-11	<i>Space product assurance – Derating – EEE components</i>
EN 16602-40	ECSS-Q-ST-40	<i>Space product assurance – Safety</i>
EN 16602-70-12	ECSS-Q-ST-70-12	<i>Space product assurance – Design rules for printed circuit boards</i>
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