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This part of the IEC 61400 series outlines the minimum requirements for the design of wind turbine nacelle-based structures and is not intended for use as a complete design specification or instruction manual.

Several different groups can be responsible for undertaking the various elements of the design, manufacture, assembly, installation and maintenance of a wind turbine nacelle and for ensuring that the requirements of this document are met. The division of responsibilities between these parties is a contractual matter and is outside the scope of this document.

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WIND ENERGY GENERATION SYSTEMS –

Part 8: Design of wind turbine structural components

1 Scope

This part of IEC 61400 outlines the minimum requirements for the design of wind turbine nacelle-based structures and is not intended for use as a complete design specification or instruction manual. This document focuses on the structural integrity of the structural components constituted within and in the vicinity of the nacelle, including the hub, mainframe, main shaft, associated structures of direct-drives, gearbox structures, yaw structural connection, nacelle enclosure. It also addresses connections of the structural components to control and protection mechanisms, as well as structural connections of electrical units and other mechanical systems. This document focuses primarily on ferrous material-based nacelle structures but can apply to other materials also as appropriate. The design of bolted and welded joints in the nacelle structures is included, as well as cast and forged components. Material testing requirements to use in the design process for nacelle structures are specified. While the structural connections of the gearbox and the main shaft are in the scope, the design of the gears and bearings are not included.

The safety level of the wind turbine designed according to this document shall be at or exceed the level inherent in IEC 61400-1:2019. Probabilistic methods to calibrate partial safety factors and for use in the design process are provided.

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