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## **How to Use This Dictionary**

The terms defined in the Dictionary are listed in *letter-by-letter* alphabetical order. Spaces are ignored in this style of alphabetization, so *cable value* will come before *cab signal*. Descriptive categories associated with the term in earlier editions of the Dictionary will follow the term in parentheses. New categories appear after the definitions (see Categories, below), followed by the designation of the standard or standards that include the definition. If a standard designation is followed by the letter s, it means that edition of the standard was superseded by a newer revision and the term was not included in the revision. If a designation is followed by the letter w, it means that edition of the standard was withdrawn and not replaced by a revision. A bracketed number refers to the non-IEEE standard sources given in the back of the book.

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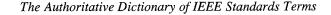
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The category abbreviations that are used in this edition of the Dictionary are defined below. This information is provided to help elucidate the context of the definition. Older terms for which no category could be found have had the category Std100 assigned to them. Note that terms from sources other than IEEE standards, such as the National Electrical Code® (NEC®) or the National Fire Protection Association, may not be from the most recent editions; the reader is cautioned to check the latest editions of all sources for the most up-to-date terminology.

### Categories sorted by abbreviation

AES	aerospace and electronic systems
AHDL	computer—Analog Hardware Descriptive Language
AMR	automatic meter reading and energy management
AP	antennas and propagation
ATL	computer—Abbreviated Test Language for All Systen
BA	computer—bus architecture
BT	broadcast technology
C	computer
CAS	circuits and systems
CE	consumer electronics
CHM	components, hybrids, and manufacturing technology
COM	communications
CS	control systems
DA	computer—design automation
DEI	dielectrics and electrical insulation
DESG	dispersed energy storage and generation
DIS	computer—distributed interactive simulation
ED	electron devices
EDU	education
EEC	electrical equipment and components
ELM	electricity metering
EM	engineering management
EMB	engineering in medicine and biology
EMC	electromagnetic compatibility
GRS	geoscience and remote sensing
GSD	graphic symbols and designations
IA	industry applications
ΙE	industrial electronics
II	information infrastructure
IM	instrumentation and measurement
IT	information theory





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IVHS	intelligent vehicle highway systems
LEO	lasers and electro-optics
LM	computer—local and metropolitan area networks
MAG	magnetics
MIL	military
MM	computer—microprocessors and microcomputers
MTT	microwave theory and techniques
NEC	National Electrical Code
NESC	National Electrical Safety Code
NFPA	National Fire Protection Association
NI	nuclear instruments
NIR	non-ionizing radiation
NN	neural networks
NPS	nuclear and plasma sciences
ODM	computer—optical disk and multimedia platforms
OE	oceanic engineering
PA	computer—portable applications
PE	power engineering
PEL	power electronics
PO	power quality
PSPD	power surge protective devices
PV	photovoltaics
QUL	quantities, units, and letter symbols
R	reliability
RA	robotics and automation
REM	rotating electrical machinery
RL	roadway lighting
S&P	computer—security and privacy
SB	stationary batteries
SE	computer—software engineering
SMC	systems, man, and cybernetics
SP	signal processing
Std100	Standard 100 legacy data
SUB	substations
SWG	power switchgear
T&D	transmission and distribution
TF	
TRR	time and frequency
TT	transformers, regulators, and reactors
UFFC	test technology
VT	ultrasonics, ferroelectrics, and frequency control
V 1	vehicular technology

# Categories sorted by name

aerospace and electronic systems	AES
antennas and propagation	AP
automatic meter reading and energy management	AMR
broadcast technology	BT
circuits and systems	CAS
communication	COM
components, hybrids, and manufacturing technology	CHM
computer	C
computer—Abbreviated Test Language for All Systems	ATL
computer—Analog Hardware Descriptive Language	AHDL
computer—bus architecture	BA
computer—design automation	DA
computer—distributed interactive simulation	DIS
computer—local and metropolitan area networks	LM
computer—microprocessors and microcomputers	MM
computer—optical disk and multimedia platforms	ODM
computer—portable applications	PA
computer—security and privacy	S&P
computer—software engineering	SE
consumer electronics	CE

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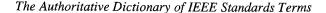
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EE Standards Terms

control systems CS dielectrics and electrical insulation DEI dispersed energy storage and generation DESG education **EDU** electrical equipment and components **EEC** electricity metering **ELM** electromagnetic compatibility **EMC** electron devices ED engineering in medicine and biology **EMB** engineering management **EM** geoscience and remote sensing GRS graphic symbols and designations **GSD** industrial electronics Œ industry applications IA information infrastructure  $\Pi$ information theory IT instrumentation and measurement IM intelligent vehicle highway systems **IVHS** lasers and electro-optics LEO magnetics MAG microwave theory and techniques MTT military MILNational Electrical Code **NEC** National Electrical Safety Code **NESC** National Fire Protection Association **NFPA** neural networks NN non-ionizing radiation NIR nuclear and plasma sciences NPS nuclear instruments NI oceanic engineering OE photovoltaics PVpower electronics PEL power engineering PΕ power quality PQ power surge protective devices **PSPD** power switchgear **SWG** quantities, units, and letter symbols QUL reliability R roadway lighting RLrobotics and automation RA rotating electrical machinery REM signal processing SP Standard 100 legacy data Std100 stationary batteries SB substations **SUB** systems, man, and cybernetics **SMC** test technology TT time and frequency TF transformers, regulators, and reactors TRR transmission and distribution T&D ultrasonics, ferroelectrics, and frequency control **UFFC** vehicular technology VT

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