

ICS 29.020

CCS F21



# National Standard of the People's Republic of China

GB/T 46131-2025

---

## Technical requirements and test methods for tap-changer for ultra high voltage transformers

Issued: August 29, 2025

Effective: December 1, 2025

---

State Administration for Market Regulation (SAMR)

Standardization Administration of the People's

Republic of China (SAC)

Issued

Translated by [www.china-standards.com](http://www.china-standards.com)

# Table of Contents

|  |     |
|--|-----|
| Foreword   | III |
| 1 Scope  | 1   |
| 2 Normative References   | 1   |
| 3 Terms and Definitions  | 1   |
| 4 General Requirements   | 1   |
| 5 Parameter Requirements   | 2   |
| 6 Technical Requirements for Off-circuit Tap Changers  | 3   |
| 7 Tests for Off-circuit Tap Changers   | 6   |
| 8 Technical Requirements for On-load Tap Changers  | 11  |
| 9 Tests for On-load Tap Changers   | 14  |
| 10 Marking, Packaging, Transportation and Storage  | 25  |
| Appendix A (Informative) Contact Arrangement for Reversing and Regulating Operations of Off-circuit Tap Changers for UHV AC Autotransformers | 27  |
| Appendix B (Normative) Seismic Test Methods for Tap Changers Used in UHV AC Transformers   | 30  |

# Foreword

This document has been drafted in accordance with the provisions specified in GB/T 1.1-2020 Guidelines for Standardization - Part 1: Structure and Drafting Rules for Standardization Documents

Note: Certain content of this document may involve patents. The issuing authority of this document assumes no responsibility for identifying such patents.

This document was proposed by the China Electricity Council (CEC)

This document is under the jurisdiction of the National Technical Committee for Ultra-High Voltage AC Transmission of Standardization Administration of China (SAC/TC 569)

## Organizations that Drafted This Document

China Electric Power Research Institute Co., Ltd.

Shanghai Huaming Power Equipment Manufacturing Co., Ltd.

TBEA Hengyang Transformer Co., Ltd.

Baoding Tianwei Baobian Electric Co., Ltd.

Electric Power Research Institute of State Grid Sichuan Electric Power Company

Electric Power Research Institute of State Grid Shandong Electric Power Company

TBEA Shenyang Transformer Group Co., Ltd.

Xi'an XD Transformer Co., Ltd.

Kaide Trading (Shanghai) Co., Ltd.

Hefei Hitachi Energy Transformer Co., Ltd.

Electric Power Research Institute of State Grid Jiangxi Electric Power Co., Ltd.

Electric Power Research Institute of State Grid Zhejiang Electric Power Co., Ltd.

Electric Power Research Institute of State Grid Hunan Electric Power Co., Ltd.

Electric Power Research Institute of State Grid Henan Electric Power Company

Electric Power Research Institute of State Grid Hubei Electric Power Co., Ltd.

Electric Power Research Institute of State Grid Anhui Electric Power Co., Ltd.

Shandong Electric Power Equipment Co., Ltd.

Electric Power Research Institute of State Grid Shanxi Electric Power Company

Chongqing Hitachi Energy Transformer Co., Ltd.

Electric Power Research Institute of State Grid Shanghai Municipal Electric Power Company

EHV Substation Company of State Grid Hunan Electric Power Co., Ltd.

China Southern Power Grid Co., Ltd.

State Grid Corporation of China

### **Principal Drafting Personnel**

Wang Shaowu, Zhang Shuqi, Wang Ke, Li Peng, Li Jinzhong, Li Geqi, Du Xiuming, Qiao Mu, Sun Jiantao, Li Xianwei, Zhao Feng, Sun Shubo, Liu Xueli, Li Gang, Zhang Zhiyong, Ye Zhuangzhuang, Hu Wenbin, Sun Gongsheng, Luo Xinyu, Yang Zhi, Zhu Mengzhao, Xu Puming, Dong Dalei, Wu Xingwang, Chai Mengdong, Yu Hua, Wei Yihua, He Lin, Zhou Kai, Wang Peng, Wang Yilin, Sun Wei, Li Wenzhi, Wang Yuwei

# Technical requirements and test methods for tap-changer for ultra high voltage transformers

## 1 Scope

This document specifies the basic requirements, parameter requirements, technical requirements, marking, packaging, transportation and storage for tap-changers used in 1000 kV AC transformers, and describes the corresponding test methods.

This document is applicable to the design and acceptance of tap-changers for 1000 kV AC transformers (including autotransformers and step-up transformers).

## 2 Normative References

The contents of the following documents are incorporated as indispensable provisions of this document through normative reference in the text. For dated referenced documents, only the edition corresponding to the specified date is applicable to this document; for undated referenced documents, the latest edition (including all amendments) applies to this document.

GB/T 2900.95 Electrical Terminology—Transformers, Voltage Regulators and Reactors

GB/T 4208 Degrees of Protection Provided by Enclosures (IP Code)

GB/T 4797.4 Classification of Environmental Conditions—Natural Environmental Conditions—Solar Radiation and Temperature

GB/T 10230.1-2019 Tap-changers—Part 1: Performance Requirements and Test Methods

GB/T 10230.2 Tap-changers—Part 2: Application Guidelines

GB/T 17623 Determination of Dissolved Gas Components in Insulating Oil by Gas Chromatography

GB/T 42558.1 Seismic Technology for Electrical Equipment in Converter Stations Used on Plateaus—Part 1: Guidelines for Seismic Tests and Evaluation

GB 50260 Code for Seismic Design of Electric Power Facilities

DL/T 722 Guide for Analysis and Judgment of Dissolved Gases in Transformer Oil

## 3 Terms and Definitions

The terms and definitions defined in GB/T 2900.95 and GB/T 10230.1-2019 shall apply to this document.

## 4 Basic Requirements

### 4.1 Environmental Requirements

**4.1.1** The temperature range for on-load tap-changers operating in transformer oil shall be  $-25^{\circ}\text{C} \sim 105^{\circ}\text{C}$ , and the ambient temperature range shall be  $-25^{\circ}\text{C} \sim 40^{\circ}\text{C}$ . The temperature range for off-circuit tap-changers operating in transformer oil shall be  $-40^{\circ}\text{C} \sim 105^{\circ}\text{C}$ , and the ambient temperature range shall be  $-40^{\circ}\text{C} \sim 40^{\circ}\text{C}$ .

**4.1.2** The electric operating mechanism shall be able to operate normally under conditions of outdoor condensation and precipitation.

**4.1.3** The solar radiation in the service environment of the tap-changer shall comply with the relevant provisions of GB/T 4797.4.

**4.1.4** The seismic fortification intensity of the tap-changer shall be consistent with that of the corresponding transformer.

### 4.2 Service Requirements

**4.2.1** When the tap-changer is installed in the voltage regulation compensation transformer of a UHV step-up transformer or a UHV autotransformer, the inclination relative to the ground shall not exceed 2%.

**4.2.2** The tap-changer may adopt the neutral point forward and reverse voltage regulation mode; the contact arrangement is specified in Annex A.

**4.2.3** The tap-changer shall be equipped with both manual and electric adjustment functions.

**4.2.4** After the tap-changer is installed in the voltage regulation compensation transformer of a UHV step-up transformer or a UHV autotransformer, the deviation of the resistance value of the off-circuit tap-changer (together with the transformer) from the design value shall not be greater than 2%; the operation of the on-load tap-changer together with the transformer shall be free of faults.

### 4.3 Special Requirements

Other special environmental and service requirements to be satisfied shall be specified in the order.

## 5 Parameter Requirements

### 5.1 Parameters of Tap-changers for UHV Autotransformers

The parameters of tap-changers for UHV autotransformers shall comply with the requirements specified in Table 1.

Table 1 Parameter Table of Tap-changers for UHV Autotransformers

| Item | Parameter                                  |  | Unit  | Characteristic Values of Off-circuit Tap-changer | Characteristic Values of On-load Tap-changer         |
|------|--|--|-------|--|--|
| 1    | Voltage Regulation Position                |  | —     | Neutral Point                                    | Neutral Point  |
| 2    | Number of Phases                           |  | —     | Single-phase                                     | Single-phase   |
| 3    | Maximum Rated Continuous Current $I_{rm}$  |  | A     | 2400   | 2000   |
| 4    | Rated Step Voltage                         |  | kV    | —  | $\geq 4$   |
| 5    | Rated Frequency                            |  | Hz    | 50   | 50   |
| 6    | Maximum Equipment Voltage $U_m$            |  | kV    | 126  | 126  |
| 7    | Rated Insulation Level                     | Rated Withstand Test Voltage (Root Mean Square)    | kV    | 230  | 230  |
|      |  | Lightning Full-wave Impulse Voltage (Peak Value)   | kV    | 550  | 550  |
| 8    | Voltage Regulation Range                   |  | kV    | $525/\sqrt{3} \pm 4 \times 1.25\%$               | $525/\sqrt{3} \pm 10 \times 0.5\%$                   |
| 9    | Short-circuit Current Withstand Capability | Thermal Withstand Current (Root Mean Square) (3 s) | kA    | 30   | 24   |
|      |  | Dynamic Withstand Current (Peak Value) (0.25 s)    | kA    | 75   | 60   |
| 10   | Mechanical Life                            |  | Times | 20,000   | 800,000  |
| 11   | Electrical Life                            |  | Times | —  | 20,000   |
| 12   | Core Lifting Maintenance Condition         |  | —     | —  | Over 6 years of operation or over 100,000 operations |
| 13   | Partial Discharge                          |  | pC    | 10   | 10   |
| 14   | Temperature Rise Limit of Contacts in Oil  |  | K     | 15   | 15   |

|  |                                     |  |  |  |
|--|-------------------------------------|--|--|--|
|  | Under Temperature Rise Test Current |  |  |  |
|--|-------------------------------------|--|--|--|

Note: "—" indicates no content.