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1 SCOPE

This standard describes methods of light level control between an external locking type photocontrol (or similar device) and a dimmable ballast or driver for street and area lighting equipment. Mechanical, electrical, and marking requirements are established for dimming, locking type photocontrols, and mating receptacles. All requirements of ANSI C136.10-2010 for photocontrols and receptacles shall apply except where specifically superseded by this standard.

2 NORMATIVE REFERENCES

This standard incorporates, by undated reference, provisions from other publications. These normative references are cited at the appropriate places in the text, and the publications are listed below. For undated references, the latest edition of the publication referred to applies (including amendments).


ANSI C136.31-2010 American National Standard for Roadway and Area Lighting Equipment – Luminaire Vibration

IEC 60929, Annex E Control Interface for Controllable Ballasts

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3 INFORMATIVE REFERENCES

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IESNA DG-28 (formally DG-13) Guide for the Selection of Outdoor Lighting Controls

IESNA TM-23-11 Lighting Controls Protocols


ANSI/IEEE C62.41-1991 IEEE Recommended Practice on Surge Voltages in Low-voltage Power Circuits


UL 94-1996 Test for Flammability of Plastic Materials

UL 773, Plug-In, Locking Type Photocontrols

4 DEFINITIONS

Ballast: Stabilizes the current through an electrical load. Generally refers to High Intensity Discharge (HID) luminaires such as High Pressure Sodium (HPS) and Metal Halide.