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Practical information concerning performance, safety, test, construction, and manufacture of motors within the product scopes defined in the applicable section or sections of this publication is provided in this guide.

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Section I
General Standards Applying to All Machines
Part 1
Referenced Standards and Definitions

1.1 Scope

This guide covers general-purpose synchronous motors without excited rotor windings, including polyphase alternating-current permanent magnet motors rated 500 hp and less, designed in Standard ratings with Standard operating characteristics and mechanical construction for use under usual service conditions without restriction to a particular application or type of application, and incorporating all of the following:

- a. Across the line starting
- b. Permanent magnets in the rotor
- c. Open or enclosed construction
- d. Rated continuous duty
- e. Class B or higher rated insulation system with a temperature rise at rated load not exceeding that specified in 7.15 for Class B insulation

1.2 Referenced Standards

The following publications are adopted in whole or in part as indicated, by reference in this Standards publication.

American National Standards Institute (ANSI)

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ANSI B92.1-1996	<i>Involute Splines and Inspection</i>
ANSI C84.1-2016	<i>Electric Power Systems and Equipment— Voltage Ratings (60 Hz)</i>
ANSI S12.12-1992 (R2017)	<i>Engineering Method for the Determination of Sound Power Levels of Noise Sources Using Sound Intensity</i>
ANSI S12.35-1990 (R2001)	<i>Precision Methods for the Determination of Sound Power Levels of Noise Sources in Anechoic and Hemi-Anechoic Rooms</i>
ANSI S12.51-2012 (R2017)	<i>Acoustics—Determination of sound power levels and sound energy levels of noise sources using sound pressure—Precision methods for reverberation test rooms</i>
ANSI S12.53-1-2011 (R2016)	<i>Acoustics—Determination of sound power levels of noise sources—Engineering methods for small, movable sources in reverberant fields—Part 1: Comparison method for hard-walled test rooms</i>
ANSI S12.53-2-1999 (R2004)	<i>Acoustics—Determination of sound power levels of noise sources—Engineering methods for small, movable sources in reverberant fields—Part 2: Methods for special reverberation test rooms</i>