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INTRODUCTION

IEC/TR 62713, which is a technical report, is informative, with the purpose of giving the lay person, i. e. a non-specialist in lightning protection and a non-medically trained person, appropriate action to reduce risk from lightning to people outside fixed structures, i. e. in a variety of everyday outdoor activities, including immediate action to take in the event of a person being injured by lightning. Part of these precautions includes taking shelter in either a lightning protected structure or an unprotected structure. Any action in the long term to ensure that such structures are suitably protected should be designed by a lightning protection specialist based on the requirements of the appropriate parts of IEC 62305 as listed in the normative references of this report. It is not the purpose of this report to quantify the risk reduction achieved by taking the precautions suggested in it.

SAFETY PROCEDURES FOR REDUCTION OF RISK OUTSIDE A STRUCTURE

1 Scope

This technical report introduces lightning to the layman, noting the right action in the presence of thunderstorms, as well as protective measures against lightning. It also contributes to the prevention of lightning injuries and damages.

It should be noted that so far there are no means to avoid lightning. However, by following some elementary rules, people can be protected against its deleterious effects.

2 Normative references

None.

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply.

3.1

aphasia

inability to express thought in words or inability to understand thought as expressed in spoken or written words or others

3.2

apnoea

cessation of breathing, asphyxia

3.3

arrhythmia

irregularity of the heartbeat

3.4

asystolic

relating to the inability of the heart to empty itself

3.5

ataxia

inability to co-ordinate voluntary movements

3.6

barotrauma

damage to the ears caused by rapid change of pressure

3.7

bradycardia

slowness of the heartbeat

3.8

bronchospasm

sustained involuntary muscular contractions of the windpipe