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In this specification the following key words (in **bold** text) will be used:

may: indicates flexibility of choice with no implied preference.

should: indicates flexibility of choice with a strongly preferred implementation.

shall: indicates a mandatory requirement. Designers **shall** implement such mandatory requirements to ensure interoperability and to claim conformance with this specification.

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1 Management Summary - Scope of this Document

PROFIsafe, the safety technology for PROFIBUS and PROFINET is a very sensitive part of the automation business and thus requires carefully and responsively chosen approaches. The PROFIsafe policy provides a set of rules for the community PROFIBUS and PROFINET International (PI) in order to define a high quality-level of PROFIsafe products and services through:

- *Consistent public relations* regarding the PROFIsafe technology by manufacturers, integrators, distributors, competence centers and consultants
- *Careful implementation* in safety products
- *A high degree of reputation* on the market and its perpetuation (image)
- *Responsible handling* of the safety aspects to avoid risk and harm or damage for people, environment, and assets
- *High-quality training and seminars*

The observance of the rules hereinafter is an important precondition to achieve customer satisfaction and to minimize the risk of product liability for manufacturers, distributors and end users of PROFIsafe equipment.

Manufacturers, distributors and end users, who are complying with this policy and its obligations, are eligible to obtain special rights.

2 Related documents and references

2.1 References

None

2.2 Related documents

IEC 61784-3-3 "Industrial communication networks – Profiles, Part 3-3: Functional safety fieldbuses – Additional specifications for CPF 3" or PROFIsafe profile specification "PROFIsafe – Profile for Safety Technology on PROFIBUS DP and PROFINET IO, Order No: 3.192b" if more recent including the accepted items of the PROFIsafe change request data base

IEC/TR 62685 "Industrial communication networks - Profiles - Assessment guideline for safety devices using IEC 61784-3 functional safety communication profiles (FSCPs)"

Amendment for PROFIBUS PA devices "Amendment 1 to the PROFIBUS Profile for Process Control Devices, PROFIsafe for PA Devices, Order No: 3.042"

Amendment for PROFIdrive "Amendment PROFIdrive on PROFIsafe Interface for functional safety, Order No: 3.272"

IEC 61918 Installation Guide "Industrial communication networks - Installation of communication networks in industrial premises" and IEC 61784-5-3 "Industrial communication networks - Profiles - Part 5-3: Installation of fieldbuses - Installation profiles for CPF 3"

PI guideline regarding installation, immunity, and electrical safety: "PROFIsafe – Environmental Requirements related to PROFIsafe – Profile for Safety Technology on PROFIBUS DP and PROFINET IO (IEC 61784-3-3) Guideline for PROFIBUS and PROFINET, Order No: 2.232"

Testing principles: "PROFIsafe – Test Specification for F-Slaves, F-Devices, and F-Hosts related to PROFIsafe – Profile for Safety Technology on PROFIBUS DP and PROFINET IO, Order No: 2.242"

3 Definitions and Abbreviations

3.1 Definitions

None

3.2 Abbreviations

IFA	Institut für Arbeitsschutz der Deutschen Gesetzlichen Unfallversicherung (Institute for Occupational Safety and Health of the German Social Accident Insurance), formerly BGIA
PI	PROFIBUS & PROFINET International (User Organization)
PNO	PROFIBUS Nutzerorganisation (User Organization)
SIL	Safety Integrity Level
PL	Performance Level
TÜV	Technischer Überwachungsverein (Organization for global Certification)

4 PROFIsafe license conditions

The right to implement PROFIsafe is granted free of charge for use in conjunction with PROFIBUS and/or PROFINET and/or IO-Link systems.

Because of the endpoint-to-endpoint principle of PROFIsafe (Black-Channel), the use of PROFIsafe in backplane busses and sub-system busses as not disclosed transmission channels is granted free of charge.

The use of PROFIsafe in systems with any other communication paths other than those mentioned above has to be agreed with PI. The license conditions in these cases have to be negotiated with the patent holders.

5 Quality requirements for PROFIsafe products

Product can be an 'F-Host' (with PROFIBUS DP Master or PROFINET IO Controller) as well as an 'F-Device' (PROFIBUS DP Device/Module or PROFINET IO Device/Module/Submodule (incl. PROFINET over APL)).

Additionally, a manufacturer shall observe the following issues:

- Passed Test of a PROFIsafe product by a PI Test Lab (mandatory)
- Certification of a PROFIsafe product by a notified body (IFA, TÜV, FM, etc.) is mandatory or highly recommended, depending on SIL or PL in compliance with the applicable directives and regulations.
- Conformance with the relevant standards and legal requirements
- Provision of user (safety) manuals according to corresponding clauses of IEC 61784-3-3
- Contents of training, seminars, workshops and consulting

Presentations regarding the PROFIsafe technology shall be neutral. Preferably the official slide sets of the PROFIsafe marketing group without manufacturer specifics shall be used. A special "liability" slide set from the PROFIsafe marketing group shall be an obligatory part of any activities regarding consulting, training, seminars, and workshops. It comprises, amongst other things:

- Instructions for product liability
- Experience from accident analysis ("Pitfalls")
- Introduction into safety standards
- Procedure Model ("V" Model of the IEC 61508)
- PROFIsafe test and certification

The PROFIsafe marketing group will additionally provide and maintain a "PROFIsafe Technology and Application - System Description". This description can be downloaded from the web-site www.profibus.com.

To support product development and other engineering tasks, PI approves and runs PROFIsafe Competence Centers and Test Labs. Experts working at these Competence Centers and Test Labs have to actively participate on the PI's official "PROFIsafe Designer Workshop". The expert participation declarations have unlimited validity. To keep updated, it is strongly recommended that the experts attend an official refresher training course of PI.

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- 2. In order to enable a product for safety relevant applications, appropriate development processes according to safety standards shall be observed and/or a certification from a notified body shall be achieved.**
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- 5. The approval of PI Competence Centers and PI Test Labs is only limited to PROFIsafe technology. It does not include functional safety aspects for complete product architectures and applications.**
- 6. The information provided in any training, seminar, workshop and consultancy is excluding any liability for correctness and completeness.**

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Negative statements to the public about problems without prior consultation or clarification with the PI Working Groups shall be avoided. Violators may be liable for any damage.

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