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- a) updates of normative references;
- b) replacement of linear swelling with volume swelling;
- c) correction of a calculation mistake in Table 3;

- d) change in Table 4 and Table 6 (treatment conditions) of time under load (from 15 min to 10 min);
- e) addition of mechanical properties after aging in oil based test fluid in Table 10 (CAS number 64742-46-7; EC number: 934-956-3).

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## ELECTRICAL INSTALLATIONS IN SHIPS –

### Part 360: Insulating and sheathing materials for shipboard and offshore units, power, control, instrumentation and telecommunication cables

#### 1 Scope

This part of IEC 60092 specifies the requirements for electrical, mechanical and particular characteristics of insulating and sheathing materials intended for use in shipboard and fixed and mobile offshore unit power, control, instrumentation and telecommunication cables.

The different insulating and sheathing materials have been divided into three categories as listed in Table 1.

**Table 1 – Categories and types of materials**

Title	Compounds included
Cross-linked insulating compounds	EPR; HEPR; XLPE; S 95; HF 90
Cross-linked sheathing compounds	SE; SH; SHF 2
Thermoplastic sheathing compounds	SHF 1; ST 2

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#### 2 Normative references

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IEC 60092-350:2020, *Electrical installations in ships – Part 350: General construction and test methods of power, control and instrumentation cables for shipboard and offshore applications*

IEC 60684-2:2011, *Flexible insulating sleeving – Part 2: Methods of test*

IEC 60754-1, *Test on gases evolved during combustion of materials from cables – Part 1: Determination of the halogen acid gas content*

IEC 60754-2, *Test on gases evolved during combustion of materials from cables – Part 2: Determination of acidity (by pH measurement) and conductivity*

IEC 60811-201:2012, *Electric and optical fibre cables – Test methods for non-metallic materials – Part 201: General tests – Measurement of insulation thickness*  
IEC 60811-201:2012/AMD1:2017

IEC 60811-202:2012, *Electric and optical fibre cables – Test methods for non-metallic materials – Part 202: General tests – Measurement of thickness of non-metallic sheath*  
IEC 60811-202:2012/AMD1:2017

IEC 60811-401:2012, *Electric and optical fibre cables – Test methods for non-metallic materials – Part 401: Miscellaneous tests – Thermal ageing methods – Ageing in an air oven*  
IEC 60811-401:2012/AMD1:2017



IEC 60811-403:2012, *Electric and optical fibre cables – Test methods for non-metallic materials – Part 403: Miscellaneous tests – Ozone resistance test on cross-linked compounds*

IEC 60811-404:2012, *Electric and optical fibre cables – Test methods for non-metallic materials – Part 404: Miscellaneous tests – Mineral oil immersion tests for sheaths*

IEC 60811-409:2012, *Electric and optical fibre cables – Test methods for non-metallic materials – Part 409: Miscellaneous tests – Loss of mass test for thermoplastic insulations and sheaths*

IEC 60811-501:2012, *Electric and optical fibre cables – Test methods for non-metallic materials – Part 501: Mechanical tests – Tests for determining the mechanical properties of insulating and sheathing compounds*

IEC 60811-501:2012/AMD1:2018

IEC 60811-505:2012, *Electric and optical fibre cables – Test methods for non-metallic materials – Part 505: Mechanical tests – Elongation at low temperature for insulations and sheaths*

IEC 60811-507:2012, *Electric and optical fibre cables – Test methods for non-metallic materials – Part 507: Mechanical tests – Hot set test for cross-linked materials*

IEC 60811-508:2012, *Electric and optical fibre cables – Test methods for non-metallic materials – Part 508: Mechanical tests – Pressure test at high temperature for insulation and sheaths*

IEC 60811-508:2012/AMD1:2017

IEC 60811-509:2012, *Electric and optical fibre cables – Test methods for non-metallic materials – Part 509: Mechanical tests – Test for resistance of insulations and sheaths to cracking (heat shock test)*

IEC 60811-509:2012/AMD1:2017

ISO 48-2:2018, *Rubber, vulcanised or thermoplastic – Determination of hardness – Part 2: Hardness between 10 IRHD and 100 IRHD*

ISO 1817, *Rubber, vulcanised or thermoplastic – Determination of the effect of liquids*

### 3 Terms and definitions

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- ISO Online browsing platform: available at <http://www.iso.org/obp>

#### 3.1 variation

difference between the median value after ageing and the median value without ageing

Note 1 to entry: Variation is expressed as a percentage between the median value before and after ageing.

## 3.2

### **median value**

middle value if the number of available values is odd and mean of the two middle values if the number is even, when several test results have been obtained and ordered in an increasing or decreasing succession

## 3.3

### **types of insulating compounds**

#### 3.3.1

##### **EPR**

##### **ethylene-propylene rubber**

cross-linked compound in which the elastomer is an ethylene-propylene, EPDM or an equivalent synthetic elastomer providing a compound compliant with type EPR

#### 3.3.2

##### **HEPR**

##### **hard ethylene-propylene rubber**

cross-linked high modulus or hard grade compound in which the elastomer is an ethylene-propylene, EPDM or an equivalent synthetic elastomer providing a compound compliant with type HEPR

#### 3.3.3

##### **XLPE**

##### **cross-linked polyethylene**

cross-linked compound in which the polymer is a low density polyethylene or equivalent synthetic polymer providing a compound compliant with type XLPE

#### 3.3.4

##### **HF 90**

##### **cross-linked polyolefin-halogen-free**

cross-linked compound in which the polymer is a polyolefin or equivalent synthetic polymer not containing halogens providing a compound which is compliant with type HF 90

#### 3.3.5

##### **S 95**

##### **cross-linked silicone rubber**

compound based on a polysiloxane elastomer which, when cross-linked, is compliant with type S 95

## 3.4

### **types of sheathing compounds**

#### 3.4.1

##### **SE**

##### **polychloroprene rubber**

cross-linked compound in which the elastomer is a polychloroprene (PCP) or equivalent synthetic elastomer providing a compound which is compliant with type SE

#### 3.4.2

##### **SH**

##### **chlorosulphonated polyethylene rubber**

##### **chlorinated polyethylene rubber**

cross-linked compound in which the characteristic constituent is a synthetic chlorinated rubber

EXAMPLE Chlorosulphonated polyethylene (CSP) or chlorinated polyethylene (CPE), which is compliant with type SH.

**3.4.3****SHF 2****halogen-free rubber**

cross-linked compound in which the polymer is a polyolefin or equivalent synthetic polymer, not containing halogens, providing a compound which is compliant with type SHF 2

**3.4.4****SHF 1****halogen-free thermoplastic**

thermoplastic compound in which the polymer is a polyolefin or equivalent synthetic polymer not containing halogens providing a compound which is compliant with type SHF 1

**3.4.5****ST 2****polyvinyl chloride thermoplastic**

thermoplastic compound based on plasticised polyvinyl chloride which is compliant with type ST 2

**3.5****halogen-free**

compound that complies with the assessment of halogen requirements in Table 4, Table 6 or Table 8

**4 Cross-linked insulating compounds****4.1 General**

The types of cross-linked insulating compound covered by this document are listed in Table 2 together with their abbreviated designations and maximum rated conductor temperatures during normal operation and short-circuit.

**Table 2 – Types of cross-linked insulating compounds**

Abbreviated designation	Maximum rated conductor temperature °C		Type of insulating material
	Normal operation	Short-circuit	
EPR	90	250	Ethylene propylene rubber
HEPR	90	250	Hard grade ethylene propylene rubber
XLPE	90	250	Cross-linked polyethylene
HF 90	90	250	Cross-linked polyolefin halogen-free
S 95	95 <sup>a</sup>	350 <sup>b</sup>	Cross-linked silicone rubber
<sup>a</sup> The normal maximum rated conductor temperature for silicone is 180 °C but it is limited in view of the type of sheathing material used.			
<sup>b</sup> This temperature is applicable only to power cables and is not appropriate for tinned conductors.			

**4.2 Electrical characteristics**

The test requirements for electrical characteristics of insulating compounds are listed in Table 3.

**Table 3 – Electrical requirements of insulation compounds**

Designation of the insulating compound	EPR	HEPR	XLPE	HF 90	S 95
Insulation resistance constant $K_i$ ( $M\Omega \cdot km$ ) (see 7.2 of IEC 60092-350:2020)					
– at 20 °C, minimum,	3 670	3 670	3 670	550	1 850
– at maximum operating temperature, minimum.	3,67	3,67	3,67	0,55	1,85
Volume resistivity $\rho$ ( $\Omega \cdot cm$ ) (see 7.2 of IEC 60092-350:2020)					
– at 20 °C, minimum,	$1,0 \times 10^{15}$	$1,0 \times 10^{15}$	$1,0 \times 10^{15}$	$1,5 \times 10^{14}$	$5,0 \times 10^{14}$
– at maximum operating temperature, minimum.	$1,0 \times 10^{12}$	$1,0 \times 10^{12}$	$1,0 \times 10^{12}$	$1,5 \times 10^{11}$	$5,0 \times 10^{11}$
Increase in AC capacity after immersion in water at 50 °C, (see 7.3 of IEC 60092-350:2020)					
– between the end of the 1 <sup>st</sup> and the end of the 14 <sup>th</sup> day, maximum (%),	15	15	–	15	15
– between the end of the 7 <sup>th</sup> and the end of the 14 <sup>th</sup> day, maximum (%).	5	5	–	5	5

#### 4.3 Mechanical characteristics

The test requirements for mechanical characteristics of cross-linked insulating compounds are listed in Table 4.

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