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This edition includes the following significant technical changes with respect to the previous edition:

- a) Updated references to IEC 60092-350 for general construction and test methods and IEC 60092-360 for insulating and sheathing materials.
- b) Added subclause 5.10: Construction for special applications.
- c) Added Table 9: Additional test for cables for installation between areas with and without explosive atmospheres.
- d) Deleted the test requirement IEC 60331-21 from Table 7.
- e) Deleted the former Annex A (Alternative enhanced insulation thickness for 0,6/1 kV).

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## ELECTRICAL INSTALLATIONS IN SHIPS –

### Part 353: Power cables for rated voltages 1 kV and 3 kV

#### 1 ~~Scope and object~~

This part of IEC 60092 is applicable to shipboard and offshore non radial field power cables with extruded solid insulation, having a voltage rating of 0,6/1 (1,2) kV or 1,8/3 (3,6) kV intended for fixed installations.

Cables designed to maintain circuit integrity during a fire are included.

The various types of power cables are given in 5.1. The constructional requirements and test methods are aligned with those indicated in IEC 60092-350, unless otherwise specified in this document.

The object of this document is:

- to standardize cables whose safety and reliability is ensured when they are installed in accordance with the requirements of IEC 60092-352 or IEC 61892-4,
- to lay down standard manufacturing requirements and characteristics of such cables directly or indirectly bearing on safety, and
- to specify test methods for checking conformity with those requirements.

#### 2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

IEC 60050-461, *International Electrotechnical Vocabulary – Part 461: Electric cables*

IEC 60079-14:2013 *Explosive atmospheres – Part 14: Electrical installations design, selection and erection*

IEC 60092-350:2014/2020, *Electrical installations in ships – Part 350: General construction and test methods of power, control and instrumentation cables for shipboard and offshore applications*

IEC 60092-360, *Electrical installations in ships – Part 360: Insulating and sheathing materials for shipboard and offshore units, power, control, instrumentation and telecommunication cables*

IEC 60228, *Conductors of insulated cables*

IEC 60331-1, *Tests for electric cables under fire conditions – Circuit integrity – Part 1: Test method for fire with shock at a temperature of at least 830 °C for cables of rated voltage up to and including 0,6/1,0 kV and with an overall diameter exceeding 20 mm*

IEC 60331-2, *Tests for electric cables under fire conditions – Circuit integrity – Part 2: Test method for fire with shock at a temperature of at least 830 °C for cables of rated voltage up to and including 0,6/1,0 kV and with an overall diameter not exceeding 20 mm*



~~IEC 60331-21, Tests for electric cables under fire conditions – Circuit integrity – Part 21: Procedures and requirements – Cables of rated voltage up to and including 0,6/1,0 kV~~

IEC 60332-1-2, Tests on electric and optical fibre cables under fire conditions – Part 1-2: Test for vertical flame propagation for a single insulated wire or cable – Procedure for 1 kW pre-mixed flame

IEC 60332-3-22, Tests on electric ~~cables~~ and optical fibre cables under fire conditions – Part 3-22: Test for vertical flame spread of vertically-mounted bunched wires or cables – Category A

IEC 60445, Basic and safety principles for man-machine interface, marking and identification – Identification of equipment terminals, conductor terminations and conductors

IEC 60684-2, 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 61034-2, Measurement of smoke density of cables burning under defined conditions – Part 2: Test procedure and requirements

### 3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in IEC 60092-350 and in IEC 60050-461 apply.

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### 4 General requirements

#### 4.1 Rated voltage

The standard method of designating the rated voltages of cables covered by this document shall take the following form:

$$U_o/U(U_m)$$

where

- $U_o$  is the rated power-frequency voltage between phase conductor and earth or metallic screen, for which the cable is designed;
- $U$  is the rated power-frequency voltage between phase conductors for which the cable is designed;
- $U_m$  is the maximum value of the “highest system voltage” for which the equipment (including cable) may be used (see IEC 60038).

All voltages are given as RMS values.

The standard rated voltages  $U_0/U (U_m)$  of the cables considered in this document are the following:

$$U_0/U (U_m) = 0,6/1 (1,2) \text{ kV and } 1,8/3 (3,6) \text{ kV}$$

For 0,6/1 (1,2) kV cables, DC voltage up to a maximum of 1,5 times the AC voltage may be used provided that the voltage to earth does not exceed 0,9 kV.

## 4.2 Markings

### 4.2.1 Indication of origin and voltage identification

Cables shall comply with IEC 60092-350:2014/2020, 4.1.3, with respect to

- a) indication of origin,
- b) rated voltage and cable construction (number of cores and cross-sectional area of the construction),
- c) continuity of marking, and
- d) durability and legibility.

### 4.2.2 Continuity of marking

The marking is deemed to be continuous if the distance between the end of any marking and the beginning of the next does not exceed:

- a) 550 mm if the marking is on the outer surface of the cable, and
- b) 275 mm in all other cases.

### 4.2.3 Core identification

#### 4.2.3.1 General

Cable cores shall be clearly identified by either colours or numbers.

#### 4.2.3.2 Coloured cores

The core colours shall be in accordance with IEC 60445.

#### 4.2.3.3 Numbered cores – Multicore cables

Identification shall be made by inscription of numbers on each core starting from the center beginning with 1 in accordance with Annex A.

## 5 Constructional requirements

### 5.1 General description

#### 5.1.1 Overview

Shipboard and offshore cables for fixed installations shall be single or multicore cables generally constructed as follows.

**5.1.2 Unarmoured cables (excluding 1,8/3 kV)**

## a) Single-core unarmoured unsheathed cable

- copper conductor, see 5.2;
- insulation applied as a single layer of insulating compound of one of the types described in 5.3 with an enhanced thickness equivalent to that of a combined insulation and outer sheath for use in unarmoured cables installed in an adequately protected environment (see 5.3.3 for the thickness).

## b) Unarmoured single- or double-sheathed cable

- copper conductor, see 5.2;
- insulation, see 5.3;
- cabling (for multicore cables), see 5.4;
- inner covering (optional, but mandatory when a braided or a metal tape electrostatic screening is applied over the core lay-up), see 5.5;
- electrostatic screening (optional), see 5.6;
- inner sheath (optional), see 5.7;
- outer sheath applied as either one- or two-layer systems, see 5.9.

**5.1.3 Armoured cables**

## a) Armoured single-sheathed cable with outer sheath only

- copper conductor, see 5.2;
- insulation, see 5.3;
- cabling (for multicore cables), see 5.4;
- inner covering below electrostatic screening (optional, but mandatory when a braided or a metal tape electrostatic screening is applied over the core lay-up), see 5.5;
- electrostatic screening (optional), see 5.6;
- inner covering (optional, but mandatory in case of a braid armour of galvanised steel wires in which case the inner covering shall be extruded), see 5.5;
- braid armour, see 5.8;
- outer sheath applied as either one- or two-layer systems, see 5.9.

**NOTE 4** Variable frequency drives induce specific electrical constraints on the connected power cables (for example voltage peaks, harmonics, reflection or earthing method among other electrical stresses).

## b) Armoured double-sheathed cable with inner and outer sheath

- copper conductor, see 5.2;
- insulation, see 5.3;
- cabling (for multicore cables), see 5.4;
- inner covering (optional, but mandatory when a braided or a metal tape electrostatic screening is applied over the core lay-up), see 5.5;
- electrostatic screening (optional), see 5.6;
- inner sheath, see 5.7;
- braid armour, see 5.8;
- outer sheath applied as either one- or two-layer systems, see 5.9.

~~**NOTE 2** The use of a thermoplastic inner sheath (ST2 or SHF1) is not compatible with cross-linking technology of elastomeric outer sheath.~~

c) Armoured single-sheathed cable with inner sheath only

- copper conductor, see 5.2;
- insulation, see 5.3;
- cabling (for multicore cables), see 5.4;
- inner covering (optional, but mandatory when a braided or a metal tape electrostatic screening is applied over the core lay-up), see 5.5;
- electrostatic screening (optional), see 5.6;
- inner sheath, see 5.7;
- braid armour, see 5.8.

Cables for installation in spaces where corrosion ~~may~~ can occur, for example weather decks, wet locations, battery compartments, refrigeration rooms, should have an outer sheath over the braid, unless the braid itself is corrosion resistant.

## 5.2 Conductors

The material, metal coating, class and form of the conductors shall be in accordance with IEC 60092-350. For cables having rated voltage 1,8/3 kV, only circular stranded compacted or non-compacted conductors with a minimum cross-section of 10 mm<sup>2</sup> are permitted. A separator between conductors and insulation is permitted.

## 5.3 Insulation

### 5.3.1 Material

The insulating compounds and their designations shall be as given in IEC 60092-360, as follows:

- for 0,6/1 (1,2) kV cables, types EPR, HEPR, XLPE, HF 90 or S 95 shall be used;
- for 1,8/3 (3,6) kV cables, types only EPR, HEPR, XLPE shall be used.

The insulation system shall consist of one of the options a) to c) as listed in IEC 60092-350:20142020, 4.3.1.

### 5.3.2 Application

The application shall be as detailed in IEC 60092-350:20142020, 4.3.2.

### 5.3.3 Thickness of insulation

The thickness of the insulation shall be as specified in Table 1 hereinafter and meet the requirements of IEC 60092-350:20142020, 4.3.3.

For single-core unarmoured unsheathed cables (see 5.1.2 a)), the total insulation thickness shall be the sum of

- a) the thickness  $t_i$  as specified in Table 1, and
- b) the thickness as calculated in accordance with 5.9.3 a), with fictitious diameter  $D = d_L + 2 t_i$  (see also IEC 60092-350:20142020, A.3.1 and A.3.2). The total thickness shall meet the requirements of IEC 60092-350:20142020, 4.3.3.