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**Part 351: Insulating materials for shipboard and offshore units, power, control, instrumentation, telecommunication and data cables**

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IEC 60092 consists of the following parts under the general title *Electrical installations in ships*:

- Part 101: Definitions and general requirements
- Part 201: System design – General
- Part 202: System design – Protection
- Part 203: System design – Acoustic and optical signals
- Part 204: System design – Electric and electrohydraulic steering gear
- Part 301: Equipment – Generators and motors
- Part 302: Low-voltage switchgear and controlgear assemblies
- Part 303: Equipment – Transformers for power and lighting
- Part 304: Equipment – Semiconductor convertors
- Part 305: Equipment – Accumulator (storage) batteries
- Part 306: Equipment – Luminaires and accessories
- Part 307: Equipment – Heating and cooking appliances
- Part 350: Shipboard power cables – General construction and test requirements
- Part 351: Insulating materials for shipboard and offshore units, power, control, instrumentation, telecommunication and data cables
- Part 352: Choice and installation of cables for low-voltage power systems
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- Part 354: Single- and three-core power cables with extruded solid insulation for rated voltages 6 kV ( $U_m = 7,2$  kV) up to 30 kV ( $U_m = 36$  kV)
- Part 359: Sheathing materials for shipboard power and telecommunication cables
- Part 373: Shipboard telecommunication cables and radio-frequency cables – Shipboard flexible coaxial cables
- Part 374: Shipboard telecommunication cables and radio-frequency cables – Telephone cables for non-essential communication services
- Part 375: Shipboard telecommunication cables and radio-frequency cables – General instrumentation, control and communication cables
- Part 376: Cables for control and instrumentation circuits 150/250 V (300 V)
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- Part 401: Installation and test of completed installation
- Part 501: Special features – Electric propulsion plant
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- Part 503: Special features – A.C. supply systems with voltages in the range above 1 kV up to and including 11 kV
- Part 504: Special features – Control and instrumentation
- Part 506: Special features – Ships carrying specific dangerous goods and materials hazardous only in bulk
- Part 507: Pleasure craft
- Part 508: Switchgear and controlgear assemblies for rated voltages above 1kV and up to and including 15kV (in preparation)

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- reconfirmed;
- withdrawn;
- replaced by a revised edition, or
- amended.

A bilingual version may be issued at a later date.

## INTRODUCTION

IEC 60092 forms a series of International Standards concerning electrical installations in sea-going ships and fixed and mobile offshore units, incorporating good practice and co-ordinating as far as possible existing rules.

These standards form a code of practical interpretation and amplification of the requirements of the International Convention on Safety of Life at Sea, a guide for future regulations which may be prepared and a statement of practice for use by shipowners, shipbuilders, mobile and fixed offshore unit owners and builders and appropriate organisations.

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## ELECTRICAL INSTALLATIONS IN SHIPS –

### Part 351: Insulating materials for shipboard and offshore units, power, control, instrumentation, telecommunication and data cables

#### 1 Scope

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

#### 2 Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application 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 60502-1:1997, *Power cables with extruded insulation and their accessories for rated voltages from 1 kV ( $U_m = 1,2$  kV) up to 30 kV ( $U_m = 36$  kV) – Part 1: Cables for rated voltages of 1 kV ( $U_m = 1,2$  kV) and 3 kV ( $U_m = 3,6$  kV)*

IEC 60754-2, *Test on gases evolved during combustion of electric cables – Part 2: Determination of degree of acidity of gases evolved during the combustion of materials taken from electric cables by measuring pH and conductivity*

IEC 60811-1-1:1993, *Common test methods for insulating and sheathing materials of electric cables – Part 1: Methods for general application – Measurement of thickness and overall dimensions – Tests for determining the mechanical properties*<sup>1)</sup>  
Amendment 1 (2001)

IEC 60811-1-2:1995, *Common test methods for insulating and sheathing materials of electric cables – Part 1: Methods for general application – Section Two: Thermal ageing methods*  
Amendment 1 (1989)  
Amendment 2 (2000)

IEC 60811-1-4:1985, *Common test methods for insulating and sheathing materials of electric cables – Part 1: Methods for general application – Section four: Test at low temperature*  
Amendment 1 (1993)  
Amendment 2 (2001)

IEC 60811-2-1:1998, *Insulating and sheathing materials of electric and optical cables – Common test methods – Part 2-1: Methods specific to elastomeric compounds – Ozone resistance, hot set and mineral oil immersion tests*<sup>2)</sup>  
Amendment 1 (2001)

IEC 60811-3-1:1985, *Common test methods for insulating and sheathing materials of electric cables – Part 3: Methods specific to PVC compounds – Section One: Pressure test at high temperature – Tests for resistance to cracking*  
Amendment 1 (1994)  
Amendment 2 (2001)

<sup>1)</sup> A consolidated edition 2.1 (2001) exists, including edition 2.0 and its Amendment 1.

<sup>2)</sup> A consolidated edition 2.1 (2001) exists, including edition 2.0 and its Amendment 1.



IEC 60811-3-2:1985 *Common test methods for insulating and sheathing materials of electric cables – Part 3: Methods specific to PVC compounds – Section Two: Loss of mass test – Thermal stability test*  
Amendment 1 (1993)

ISO 48, *Rubber, vulcanized or thermoplastic – Determination of hardness (hardness between 10 IRHD and 100 IRHD)*

### 3 Insulating materials

#### 3.1 General

The types of insulating compound covered by this standard are listed in the following Table 1 together with their abbreviated designations and maximum rated conductor temperatures during normal operation and short-circuit.

**Table 1 – Type of insulating compounds, abbreviated designation and maximum rated conductor temperature during normal operation and short circuit**

Type of insulating compound	Abbreviated designation	Maximum rated conductor temperature °C	
		Normal operation	Short-circuit
a) Thermoplastic: – based upon polyvinyl chloride or copolymer of vinyl chloride and vinyl acetate	PVC	70	150
b) Elastomeric or thermoset: – based upon ethylene-propylene rubber or similar (EPM or EPDM)	EPR	90	250
– based upon high modulus or hard grade ethylene propylene rubber	HEPR	90	250
– based upon cross-linked polyethylene	XLPE	90	250
– based upon silicone rubber	S 95	95	350 <sup>a</sup>
– based upon ethylene-propylene rubber or similar (EPM or EPDM) halogen-free	HF EPR	90	250
– based upon high modulus or hard grade halogen-free ethylene propylene rubber	HF HEPR	90	250
– based upon halogen-free cross-linked polyethylene	HF XLPE	90	250
– based upon halogen-free silicone rubber	HF S 95	95	350 <sup>a</sup>
– based upon cross-linked polyolefin material for halogen-free cables	HF 90	90	250

<sup>a</sup> This temperature is applicable only to power cables and not appropriate for tinned copper conductors.

### 3.2 Electrical characteristics

The test requirements for electrical characteristics of insulating compounds are listed in the following Table 2.

**Table 2 – Test requirements for electrical characteristics of insulating compounds**

Designation of the insulating compound	EPR and HF EPR	HEPR and HF HEPR	XLPE and HF XLPE	S 95 and HF S 95	HF 90	PVC
1 Insulation resistance constant $K_i$ ( $M\Omega \cdot km$ ) (see Clause 17 of IEC 60502-1)						
1a – at 20 °C, minimum;	3 670	3 670	3 670	1 500	500	36,7
1b – at maximum operating temperature, minimum	3,67	3,67	3,67	2	0,5	0,037
2 Increase in a.c. capacity after immersion in water at 50 °C						
2a – between the end of the 1st and the end of the 14th day, maximum (%)	15	15	–	15	15	15
2b – between the end of the 7th and the end of the 14th day, maximum (%)	5	5	–	5	5	5

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