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

a) an updated and extended scope to reflect an introduction of two attenuation and uniformity performance classes for balanced NWBD instead of branching device technologies on the market;

b) an updated list of normative references;

c) a more simplified introduction to the two types of spectral bands;

d) Clause 5, Performance requirements, has been updated and extended to reflect the introduction of two attenuation and uniformity performance classes for balanced NWBD;

e) simplified test items to exclude tests for damp heat (steady state) and impact for performance requirements;

f) Annexe A has been changed to introduce the calculated and minimum requirements for attenuation and uniformity;

g) Annex B has been updated to reflect revised performance requirements.

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86B/3792/FDIS	86B/3824/RVD

Full information on the voting for the approval of this standard can be found in the report on voting indicated in the above table.

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1 Scope

This part of IEC 61753 contains the minimum initial tests and measurement requirements and severities which a non-wavelength selective branching device (NWBD) should satisfy in order to be categorized as meeting the requirements of this standard.

The requirements cover balanced bidirectional non-connectorized single-mode $1 \times N$ and $2 \times N$ non-wavelength-selective branching devices for use in an IEC category U environment (N is the number of branching ports), especially but not exclusively used for PON application. For balanced NWBD two attenuation and uniformity performance classes are considered: class A (premium class) which meets more restrictive requirements (i.e. for extended reach PON application) and class B (standard class) for standard application (i.e. for normal reach PON application).

The requirements also cover unbalanced, bidirectional, non-connectorized, single-mode, non-wavelength-selective branching devices; however, the specifications of unbalanced branching devices are limited to 1×2 and 2×2 devices because they are the most commonly used.

2 Normative references

The following documents, in whole or in part, are normatively referenced in this document and are indispensable for its application. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

IEC 60793-2-50:2012, *Optical fibres – Part 2-50: Product specifications – Sectional specification for class B single-mode fibres*

IEC 61300-2-1, *Fibre optic interconnecting devices and passive components – Basic test and measurement procedures – Part 2-1: Tests – Vibration (sinusoidal)*

IEC 61300-2-4, *Fibre optic interconnecting devices and passive components – Basic test and measurement procedures – Part 2-4: Tests – Fibre/cable retention*

IEC 61300-2-5, *Fibre optic interconnecting devices and passive components – Basic test and measurement procedures – Part 2-5: Tests – Torsion*

IEC 61300-2-9, *Fibre optic interconnecting devices and passive components – Basic test and measurement procedures – Part 2-9: Tests – Shock*

IEC 61300-2-14, *Fibre optic interconnecting devices and passive components – Basic test and measurement procedures – Part 2-14: Tests – High optical power*

IEC 61300-2-17, *Fibre optic interconnecting devices and passive components – Basic test and measurement procedures – Part 2-17: Tests – Cold*

IEC 61300-2-18, *Fibre optic interconnecting devices and passive components – Basic test and measurement procedures – Part 2-18: Tests – Dry heat – High temperature endurance*

IEC 61300-2-22, *Fibre optic interconnecting devices and passive components – Basic test and measurement procedures – Part 2-22: Tests – Change of temperature*

IEC 61300-2-42, *Fibre optic interconnecting devices and passive components – Basic test and measurement procedures – Part 2-42: Tests – Static side load for connectors*

IEC 61300-2-44, *Fibre optic interconnecting devices and passive components – Basic test and measurement procedures – Part 2-44: Tests – Flexing of the strain relief of fibre optic devices*

IEC 61300-2-46, *Fibre optic interconnecting devices and passive components – Basic test and measurement procedures – Part 2-46: Tests – Damp heat, cyclic*

IEC 61300-3-2:2009, *Fibre optic interconnecting devices and passive components – Basic test and measurement procedures – Part 3-2: Examination and measurements – Polarization dependent loss in a single-mode fibre optic device*

IEC 61300-3-3:2009, *Fibre optic interconnecting devices and passive components – Basic test and measurement procedures – Part 3-3: Examinations and measurements – Active monitoring of changes in attenuation and return loss*

IEC 61300-3-6:2009, *Fibre optic interconnecting devices and passive components – Basic test and measurement procedures – Part 3-6: Examinations and measurements – Return loss*

IEC 61300-3-7:2009, *Fibre optic interconnecting devices and passive components – Basic test and measurement procedures – Part 3-7: Examinations and measurements – Wavelength dependence of attenuation and return loss of single mode components*

IEC 61300-3-20, *Fibre optic interconnecting devices and passive components – Basic test and measurement procedures – Part 3-20: Examinations and measurements – Directivity of fibre optic branching devices*

IEC 61300-3-28, *Fibre optic interconnecting devices and passive components – Basic test and measurement procedures – Part 3-28: Examinations and measurements – Transient loss*

3   Test

All test methods are selected within the IEC 61300 series.

The samples for tests shall be terminated onto single-mode fibres according to category B1.1, B1.3, or B.6 of IEC 60793-2-50:2012 in either coated fibres (primary and secondary) or reinforced cable format.

All tests shall be carried out to validate performance over one of the spectral bands listed below:

1) Spectral bands I:

   1 260 nm to 1 360 nm

   1 480 nm to 1 625 nm

2) Spectral bands II:

1 260 nm to 1 360 nm

1 480 nm to 1 660 nm

4   Test report

Fully documented test reports and supporting evidence shall be prepared and be available for inspection as evidence that the tests have been carried out and complied with.

5   Performance requirements

5.1   Dimensions

Dimensions shall comply with those given in appropriate manufacturer's drawings.

5.2   Sample size

Sample sizes for the tests are defined in Annex B.

5.3   Test details and requirements

Performance requirements and details are specified in Table 1.

All optical performances are given only for non-connectorized NWBD. During the environmental tests where monitoring of the NWBD is needed, all ports of the device shall be monitored.

In Annex A some numerical values of attenuation and uniformity requirements of test numbers 1 and 2 for the most commonly used NWBD are shown in Tables A.1, A.2 and A.3.

In Tables A.4 and A.5 the minimum attenuation requirements at room temperature are described by way of equations on the top of column, with the calculated values of the most commonly used NWBD listed below.

Table 1 – Test details and requirements *(1 of 7)*

No.	Tests	Requirements					Details	
1	Attenuation (A) (Insertion loss) IEC 61300-3-7:2009 (Method A)	*Balanced NWBD*					Launch patchcord length	≥ 2 m
		Configuration	1 x N		2 x N		Source type	Unpolarized
		Performance class	A	B	A	B	Launch conditions	The wavelength of the source shall be longer than the cut-off wavelength of the fibre
		Spectral band I	≤ 0,5 + 3,3log$_2$N (dB)	≤ 0,5 + 3,4log$_2$N (dB)	≤ 0,7 + 3,4log$_2$N (dB)	≤ 0,7 + 3,5log$_2$N (dB)		
		Spectral band II	≤ 0,5 + 3,4log$_2$N (dB)	≤ 0,5 + 3,5log$_2$N (dB)	≤ 0,7 + 3,5log$_2$N (dB)	≤ 0,7 + 3,6log$_2$N (dB)	Uncertainty	≤ ± 0,05 dB
		Unbalanced NWBD						The measurement should be performed with all combination of input/output ports
		Spectral band I Spectral band II	≤ 22 − 10,5log$_{10}$P (dB) where P is the nominal percentage of power associated with one port					See Tables A.1, A.2 and A.3 for example
2	Uniformity (U) IEC 61300-3-7:2009 (Method A)	*Balanced NWBD*					Launch patchcord length	≥ 2 m
		Configuration	1 x N		2 x N		Source type	Unpolarized
		Performance Class	A	B	A	B	Launch conditions	The wavelength of the source shall be longer than the cut-off wavelength of the fibre
		Spectral band I	≤ 0,1 + 0,3log$_2$N (dB)	≤ 0,2 + 0,3log$_2$N (dB)	≤ 0,4 + 0,4log$_2$N (dB)	≤ 0,5 + 0,4log$_2$N (dB)		
		Spectral band II	≤ 0,1 + 0,4log$_2$N (dB)	≤ 0,2 + 0,4log$_2$N (dB)	≤ 0,4 + 0,5log$_2$N (dB)	≤ 0,5 + 0,5log$_2$N (dB)	Uncertainty	≤ ± 0,05 dB
								The measurement should be performed with all combination of input/output ports
								See Tables A.1 and A.2 for example

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No.	Tests	Requirements	Details	
3	Directivity IEC 61300-3-20	≥ 55 dB	Launch patchcord length	≥ 2 m
			Source type	LD
			Launch conditions	The wavelength of the source shall be longer than the cut-off wavelength of the fibre.
			Uncertainty	≤ ± 1 dB The measurement should be made between all pairs of Input/output ports. All ports not under test shall be terminated to avoid unwanted reflections contributing to the measurement
4	Return loss (RL) IEC 61300-3-6:2008 (Method 1, OCWR)	≥ 55 dB	Launch patchcord length	≥ 2 m
			Source type	LD
			Launch conditions	The wavelength of the source shall be longer than the cut-off wavelength of the fibre.
			Uncertainty	≤ ± 1 dB The measurement should be performed with all combination of input/output ports. All ports not under test shall be terminated to avoid unwanted reflections contributing to the measurement
5	Polarization dependent loss (PDL) IEC 61300-3-2:2009	For balanced NWBD: $\quad\quad\quad$ 1 × N $\quad\quad$ 2 × N N ≤ 4 $\quad$ ≤ 0,2 dB $\quad$ ≤ 0,3 dB 4<N≤16 $\quad$ ≤ 0,3 dB $\quad$ ≤ 0,4 dB N >16 $\quad$ ≤ 0,4 dB $\quad$ ≤ 0,5 dB For unbalanced 1 × 2 and 2 × 2 NWBD and for any pair of input and output ports: ≤ 0,7 – 0,25log$_{10}$ P (dB) where P is the nominal percentage of the power associated with one port	Launch patchcord length	≥ 2 m
			Source type	LD
			Uncertainty	≤ ± 0,05 dB The measurement should be performed with all combination of input/output ports

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No.	Tests	Requirements	Details	
6	High optical power IEC 61300-2-14	P_{max}= 500 mW (+27 dBm) per port only one at the time During the test the change in A shall be within ± 0,5 dB of the original value under ambient conditions, while on completion of the test the change in A shall be within ± 0,3 dB of the original value During and on completion of the test the RL limit of Test No. 4 shall be met	Launch patchcord length	≥ 2 m
			Source type	Unpolarized
			Launch conditions	The wavelength of the source shall be longer than the cut-off wavelength of the fibre.
			Uncertainty A test	≤ 0,05 Db
			Uncertainty RL test	≤ ±1 dB
			Test wavelength Spectral band I	1 310 nm ± 20 nm 1 550 nm ± 20 nm
			Test wavelength Spectral band II	1 310 nm ± 20 nm 1 625 nm ± 20 nm
			Duration of the optical power exposure at the each level	30 min The measurement shall be performed between the common port (input port) and the output ports
7	Cold IEC 61300-2-17	For balanced and unbalanced NWBD before and on completion of the test the A limits of Test No. 1 shall be met. In addition, during the test the change in A of balanced NWBD shall be within ± 0,3 dB for N ≤ 4 and within ± 0,5 dB for N > 4 of the original value under ambient conditions. For unbalanced NWBD the change in A during the test shall be within ± 0,3 dB for P % > 2 % and ±0,5 dB for P % ≤ 2 % of the original value. During and after the test the RL limit of Test No. 4 shall be met	Temperature Duration of exposure	–25 °C ± 2 °C 96 h Specimens shall be optically functioning. A and RL shall be measured before the test, during the test at a maximum interval of 1 h and after the test by the Method 3 of IEC 61300-3-3:2009
8	Dry heat – High temperature endurance IEC 61300-2-18	For balanced and unbalanced NWBD before and on completion of the test the A limits of Test No. 1 shall be met. In addition during the test the change in A of balanced NWBD shall be within ± 0,3 dB for N ≤ 4 and within ± 0,5 dB for N > 4 of the original value under ambient conditions. For unbalanced NWBD the change in A during the test shall be within ± 0,3 dB for P % > 2 % and ±0,5 dB for P % ≤ 2 % of the original value. During and after the test the RL limit of Test No. 4 shall be met	Temperature Duration of exposure	+70 °C ± 2 °C 96 h Specimens shall be optically functioning. A and RL shall be measured before the test, during the test at a maximum interval of 1 h and after the test by the Method 3 of IEC 61300-3-3:2009

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No.	Tests	Requirements	Details	
9	Damp heat (cyclic) IEC 61300-2-46	For balanced and unbalanced NWBD before and on completion of the test the A limits of Test No. 1 shall be met. In addition during the test the change in A of balanced NWBD shall be within $\pm$ 0,3 dB for N $\leq$ 4 and within $\pm$ 0,5 dB for N > 4 of the original value under ambient conditions. For unbalanced NWBD the change in A during the test shall be within $\pm$ 0,3 dB for P % > 2 % and $\pm$0,5 dB for P % $\leq$ 2 % of the original value. During and after the test the RL limit of Test No. 4 shall be met	High temperature	+55 °C $\pm$ 2 °C
			Low temperature	+25 °C $\pm$ 2 °C
			Relative humidity	>90 %
			Number of cycles	10
			Duration of each cycle	24 h
				Specimens shall be optically functioning. A and RL shall be measured before the test, during the test at a maximum interval of 10 min and after the test by the Method 3 of IEC 61300-3-3:2009
10	Change of temperature IEC 61300-2-22	For balanced and unbalanced NWBD before and on completion of the test the A limits of Test No. 1 shall be met. In addition during the test the change in A of balanced NWBD shall be within $\pm$0,3 dB for N $\leq$ 4 and within $\pm$0,5 dB for N > 4 of the original value under ambient conditions. For unbalanced NWBD the change in A during the test shall be within $\pm$ 0,3 dB for P % > 2 % and $\pm$0,5 dB for P % $\leq$ 2 % of the original value. During and after the test the RL limit of Test No. 4 shall be met	High temperature	+70 °C $\pm$ 2 °C
			Low temperature	−25 °C $\pm$ 2 °C
			Duration at extreme temperature	1 h
			Temperature rate of change	1 °C/min
			Number of cycles	12
				Specimens shall be optically functioning. A and RL shall be measured before the test, during the test at a maximum interval of 10 min and after the test by the Method 3 of IEC 61300-3-3:2009