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Foreword

This document (EN 50290-2-25:2013) was prepared by CLC/TC 46X "Communication cables".

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This document supersedes EN 50290-2-25:2002.

EN 50290-2-25:2013 includes the following significant technical changes with respect to EN 50290-2-25:2002:

– The document has been entirely restructured.

– The main change is the introduction of the new Table 1 for the test to be performed on granules.

This document should be read in conjunction with EN 50290-2-20, the product standard EN 50288 (all parts) and other applicable product standards.

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This standard covers the Principle Elements of the Safety Objectives for Electrical Equipment Designed for Use within Certain Voltage Limits (LVD - 2006/95/EC).

EN 50290-2, *Communication cables*, is divided into the following sub-parts:

– *Part 2-1: Common design rules and construction*;

– *Part 2-2: Common design rules and construction — Polyethylene insulation for multi element metallic data cables for indoor application* [currently at Enquiry stage];

– *Part 2-3: Common design rules and construction — Polyethylene insulation for coaxial cables* [currently at Enquiry stage];

– *Part 2-4: Common design rules and construction — Polypropylene insulation for coaxial cables* [currently at Enquiry stage];

– *Part 2-20: Common design rules and construction — General*;

– *Part 2-21: Common design rules and construction — PVC insulation compounds*;

– *Part 2-22: Common design rules and construction — PVC sheathing compounds*;

– *Part 2-23: Common design rules and construction — PE insulation*;

– *Part 2-24: Common design rules and construction — PE sheathing*;

- *Part 2-25: Common design rules and construction — Polypropylene insulation for compounds* [the present document];
- *Part 2-26: Common design rules and construction — Halogen free flame retardant insulation compounds*;
- *Part 2-27: Common design rules and construction — Halogen free flame retardant thermoplastic sheathing compounds*;
- *Part 2-28: Common design rules and construction — Filling compounds for filled cables*;
- *Part 2-29: Common design rules and construction — Cross-linked PE insulation compounds*;
- *Part 2-30: Common design rules and construction — Poly(tetrafluoroethylene-hexafluoropropylene) (FEP) insulation and sheathing*;
- *Part 2-32: Common design rules and construction — Halogen free insulation compounds for flame retardant and fire resistant cables* [currently at Enquiry stage].

1 Scope

This European Standard gives specific requirements for PP compounds to be used for multi-element metallic data cables for indoor application. Type 1 is typically a copolymer with better low temperature properties. Type 2 is typically a homopolymer with superior hardness giving better crush resistance.

Using compound and type test data as outlined in this standard, the compound supplier will have sufficient data to demonstrate compliance and warrant that the material is suitable for the specified application.

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.

EN 50267-2-2, *Common test methods for cables under fire conditions — Tests on gases evolved during combustion of materials from cables — Part 2-2: Procedures — Determination of degree of acidity of gases for materials by measuring pH and conductivity*

EN 50290-2-20, *Communication cables — Part 2-20: Common design rules and construction — General*

EN 60216 (all parts), *Electrical insulating materials — Thermal endurance properties (IEC 60216, all parts)*

EN 60811-401, *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)*

EN 60811-501, *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)*

EN 60811-502, *Electric and optical fibre cables — Test methods for non-metallic materials — Part 502: Mechanical tests - Shrinkage test for insulations (IEC 60811-502)*

EN 60811-504, *Electric and optical fibre cables — Test methods for non-metallic materials — Part 504: Mechanical tests — Bending tests at low temperature for insulation and sheaths (IEC 60811-504)*

EN 60811-510, *Electric and optical fibre cables — Test methods for non-metallic materials — Part 510: Mechanical tests — Methods specific to polyethylene and polypropylene compounds — Wrapping test after thermal ageing in air (IEC 60811-510)*

EN ISO 179-1, *Plastics — Determination of Charpy impact properties — Part 1: Non-instrumented impact test (ISO 179-1)*

EN ISO 527 (all parts), *Plastics — Determination of tensile properties (ISO 527, all parts)*

EN ISO 868, *Plastics and ebonite — Determination of indentation hardness by means of a durometer (Shore hardness) (ISO 868)*

EN ISO 1133 (all parts), *Plastics — Determination of the melt mass-flow rate (MFR) and melt volume-flow rate (MVR) of thermoplastics (ISO 1133, all parts)*

EN ISO 1183 (all parts), *Plastics — Methods for determining the density of non-cellular plastics (ISO 1183, all parts)*

EN ISO 5659-2, *Plastics — Smoke generation — Part 2: Determination of optical density by a single-chamber test (ISO 5659-2)*

EN ISO 11357-6, *Plastics — Differential scanning calorimetry (DSC) — Part 6: Determination of oxidation induction time (isothermal OIT) and oxidation induction temperature (dynamic OIT) (ISO 11357-6)*

IEC 60250, *Recommended methods for the determination of the permittivity and dielectric dissipation factor of electrical insulating materials at power, audio and radio frequencies including metre wavelengths*

ASTM D4565 (section 19), *Standard Test Methods for Physical and Environmental Performance Properties of Insulations and Jackets for Telecommunications Wire and Cable*; Section 19: Insulation adhesion

3 Compound test requirements

The tests are to be carried out on granules or moulded plaques produced from granules of compound. This data shall be provided by the compound supplier. For compounds intended for foam application the properties shall be measured on unexpanded material. Relevant test methods, requirements and limits shall be included in any supply specification of the compound.

Specific requirements are shown in Tables 1 to 3. In the case of special applications, additional requirements could be specified.

4 Cable test requirements

The anticipated performance assumes standard cable design and conventional process technology and is specified (Table 4). Using type test data the compound supplier is expected to demonstrate compliance and warrant that the material is suitable for the specified application.

In the case of special applications, additional requirements could be specified.

5 Health, Safety and Environmental Regulations

The compounds are subject to Health, Safety and Environmental requirements as defined in EN 50290-2-20. Any deviations or compliance failures shall be identified by the compound supplier.

Table 1 — Insulation compound — Physical properties of granules

Characteristics[a]		Test method	Unit	Solid		Foam[d]
				Type 1	Type 2	
1	Density[b]	EN ISO 1183 (all parts)	g/cm^3	≤ 0,915	≤ 0,915	≤ 0,915
2	Melt flow index[c] (230°C/2,16 kg)	EN ISO 1133 (all parts)	g/10 min	To be specified	To be specified	To be specified
3	Hardness Shore D (1 s)	EN ISO 868	[-]	>62	>67	>62
4	Low Temperature Brittleness (Charpy unnotched impact strength, -20°C)	EN ISO 179-1	KJ/m²	>25	>10	>25
5	Mechanical characteristics	EN ISO 527 (all parts)				
5.1	Tensile strength- median, min.		MPa	25	25	25
5.2	Elongation at break- median, min.		%	na	na	na
6	Oxidative Induction Time (200 °C)	EN ISO 11357-6	min	>15	>15	>15

[a] All values of Table 1 shall be provided by the compound supplier; see Clause 3.
[b] Tolerance for the nominal value of a specific compound is +/- 0,003 g/cm³.
[c] Tolerance for the nominal value of a specific compound is +/- 25%.
[d] Applicable also to Foam skin.

Table 2 — Insulation compound — Dielectric properties

Characteristics[a]		Test method	Unit	Solid	Foam[c]
1	Dielectric constant at 1 MHz[a]	IEC 60250	[-]	<2,25	<2,25
2	Dissipation factor at 1MHz[b]	IEC 60250	[-]	<0,000 2	<0,000 3

[a] All values of Table 2 shall be provided by the compound supplier; see Clause 3.
[b] Median value to be specified by supplier. Specification limits +/- 0,02.
[c] Applicable also to Foam skin.

Table 3 — Insulation compound — Combustion properties[b]

Characteristics[a]		Test method	Unit	Solid	Foam[c]
1	Corrosivity pH Conductivity	EN 50267-2-2	 [-] µS/cm	 >4,3 <10	 >4,3 <10
2	Smoke opacity Dmax (Flaming Mode) Dmax (Non Flaming Mode)	EN ISO 5659-2		 <80 <120	 <80 <120
3	Toxicity	Under consideration		tbd	tbd

[a] All values of Table 3 shall be provided by the compound supplier; see Clause 3.
[b] To be performed if specified in the relevant product standard.
[c] Applicable also to Foam skin.