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EN 13501-6:2018 (E)**European foreword**

This document (EN 13501-6:2018) has been prepared by Technical Committee CEN/TC 127 “Fire safety in buildings”, the secretariat of which is held by BSI.

This European Standard shall be given the status of a national standard, either by publication of an identical text or by endorsement, at the latest by June 2019, and conflicting national standards shall be withdrawn at the latest by September 2020.

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CEN, CENELEC and EOTA committees preparing technical specifications for electric cables falling under the Construction Product Regulation (305/2011), which contain performance requirements against reaction to fire tests, should make reference to the reaction to fire classification given in this European Standard and not refer directly to any specific fire test method.

This document has been prepared in cooperation with CLC/TC 20 “Electric cables”, CLC/TC 46X “Communication cables” and CLC/TC 86A “Optical fibre cables”.

EN 13501, *Fire classification of construction products and building elements* consists of the following parts:

- *Part 1: Classification using data from reaction to fire tests;*
- *Part 2: Classification using data from fire resistance tests, excluding ventilation services;*
- *Part 3: Classification using data from fire resistance tests on products and elements used in building service installations: fire resisting ducts and fire dampers;*
- *Part 4: Classification using data from fire resistance tests on components of smoke control systems;*
- *Part 5: Classification using data from external fire exposure to roofs tests;*
- *Part 6: Classification using data from reaction to fire tests on power, control and communication cables.*

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Introduction

The aim of this European Standard is to define a harmonized procedure for the classification of reaction to fire of power, control and communication cables and hybrid cables. This classification is based on the test procedures listed in Clause 5.

This European Standard has been prepared in support of the second essential requirement in the EC Construction Products Regulation (CPR) (EU) N°305/2011 and as detailed in the Interpretative Document Number 2: Safety in case of fire (OJ C62 Vol. 37).

Background information on the Commission Decision regarding the classification of the reaction to fire performance of electric cables is given in Annex B.

There is a procedure by which certain products can be assigned a particular fire classification without the need for testing. Such products have well established reaction to fire performance and have been agreed by the Standing Committee on Construction. Agreements relating to such products which may be 'classified without further testing' (CWFT) are published in the Official Journal of the EC.

Part 1 of this European Standard covers classification resulting from reaction to fire tests for products other than electric cables.

Parts 2, 3 and 4 of this European Standard are concerned with classification resulting from fire resistance tests.

Part 5 covers classification resulting from tests for external fire exposure to roofs.

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EN 13501-6:2018 (E)**1 Scope**

This document provides the reaction to fire classification procedure for electric cables.

NOTE For the purpose of this document, the term “electric cables” covers all power, control and communication cables, including optical fibre cables.

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.

EN 50399, *Common test methods for cables under fire conditions - Heat release and smoke production measurement on cables during flame spread test - Test apparatus, procedures, results*

EN 50575, *Power, control and communication cables - Cables for general applications in construction works subject to reaction to fire requirements*

CLC/TS 50576, *Electric cables - Extended application of test results for reaction to fire*

EN 60332-1-2:2004, *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 60332-1-2:2004)*

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EN 60754-2, *Test on gases evolved during combustion of materials from cables - Part 2: Determination of acidity (by pH measurement) and conductivity (IEC 60754-2)6:2019*

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EN 61034-2, *Measurement of smoke density of cables burning under defined conditions - Part 2: Test procedure and requirements (IEC 61034-2)*

EN ISO 1716, *Reaction to fire tests for products - Determination of the gross heat of combustion (calorific value) (ISO 1716)*

3 Terms, definitions and symbols**3.1 Terms and definitions**

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply.

ISO and IEC maintain terminological databases for use in standardization at the following addresses:

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

3.1.1**product**

material, element or component about which information is required, in the context of this standard, the product is an electric cable about which information is required

3.1.2**material**

single basic substance or uniformly dispersed mixture of substances

3.1.3**external component**

external layer of the cable, i.e. the sheath

3.1.4**end use application**

real application of a product, in relation to all aspects that influence the behaviour of that product under different fire situations

Note 1 to entry: It covers aspects such as its quantity, orientation, position in relation to other adjacent products, and its method of fixing.

3.1.5**fire performance**

response of a material, product or assembly in a fire

Note 1 to entry: It is often important to understand how materials, products or assemblies behave in real fires as opposed to in fire tests under controlled conditions. Improved fire performance can be exhibited in a variety of ways. For example, longer times to ignition, lower heat release, lower flame spread or lower smoke release could all be evidence of improvements in fire performance.

Note 2 to entry: Compare with the term fire behaviour.

[SOURCE: EN ISO 13943:2017, 3.137]

3.1.6**reaction to fire**

response of a test specimen when it is exposed to fire under specified conditions in a fire test

[SOURCE: EN ISO 13943:2017, 3.324]

3.1.7**fire scenario**

qualitative description of the course of a fire with respect to time, identifying key events that characterize the studied fire and differentiate it from other possible fires

Note 1 to entry: See fire scenario cluster and representative fire scenario.

Note 2 to entry: It typically defines the ignition and fire growth processes, the fully developed fire stage, the fire decay stage, and the environment and systems that will impact on the course of the fire.

Note 3 to entry: Unlike deterministic fire analysis, where fire scenarios are individually selected and used as design fire scenario, in fire risk assessment, fire scenarios are used as representative fire scenarios within fire scenario clusters.

[SOURCE: EN ISO 13943:2017, 3.152]

3.1.8**reference scenario**

hazard situation used as a reference for a given test method or classification system

EN 13501-6:2018 (E)**3.1.9****fire situation**

stage in the development of a fire, characterised by the nature, severity and size of the thermal attack on the products involved

3.1.10**combustion**

exothermic reaction of a substance with an oxidizing agent

Note 1 to entry: Combustion generally emits fire effluent accompanied by flames and/or glowing.

[SOURCE: EN ISO 13943:2017, 3.55]

3.1.11**heat of combustion**

thermal energy produced by combustion of unit of mass of a given substance

[SOURCE: EN ISO 13943:2017, 3.203]

Note 1 to entry: It is expressed in kilojoules per gram.

3.1.12**gross heat of combustion (PCS)**

heat of combustion of a substance when the combustion is complete and any produced water is entirely condensed under specified conditions

[SOURCE: EN ISO 13943:2017, 3.198]

3.1.13**net heat of combustion (PCI)**

heat of combustion when any water produced is considered to be in the gaseous form .

Note 1 to entry: The net heat of combustion is always smaller than the gross heat of combustion because the heat released by the condensation of water vapour is not included.

Note 2 to entry: The typical unit is $\text{kJ}\cdot\text{g}^{-1}$.

[SOURCE: EN ISO 13943:2017, 3.280]

3.1.14**contribution to fire**

energy released by a product influencing the fire growth both in pre- and post-flashover situations

3.1.15**heat release**

thermal energy produced by combustion

Note 1 to entry: The typical unit is J.

[SOURCE: EN ISO 13943:2017, 3.205]

3.1.16**vertical flame spread (FS)**

damaged length of the sample, as measured in the EN 50399 test

3.1.17**vertical flame spread (H)**

distance from the upper onset of charring (above the flame application point) to the lower onset of charring (below the flame application point) as measured in the EN 60332-1-2 test

3.1.18**fully developed fire**

state of total involvement of combustible materials in a fire

[SOURCE: EN ISO 13943:2017, 3.192]

3.1.19**flashover**

transition to a state of total surface involvement in a fire of combustible materials within an enclosure

[SOURCE: EN ISO 13943:2017, 3.184]

3.1.20**flaming droplets/particles**

material separating from the specimen during the fire test and continuing to flame for a minimum period as described by the test method

[SOURCE: EN 50399:2011, 3.7]

3.1.21**FIGRA**

fire growth rate index used for classification purposes for the classes B1_{ca}, B2_{ca}, C_{ca} and D_{ca}

Note 1 to entry: For the classification of cables, FIGRA means the maximum of the quotient of heat release rate from the specimen, excluding the contribution of ignition source, and the time of its occurrence using a THR threshold of 0,4 MJ and an HRR threshold of 3 kW.

Note 2 to entry: The FIGRA for cables is defined in more detail in EN 50399.

3.1.22**direct field of application**

outcome of a process (involving the application of defined rules) whereby a test result is deemed to be equally valid for variations in one or more of the product properties and/or intended end use applications

3.1.23**extended field of application**

outcome of a process (involving the application of defined rules that may incorporate calculation procedures) that, in the context of this standard, attributes for a cable family, a test result on the basis of one or more test results to the same test standard

3.1.24**extended application result**

predicted result for performance parameter obtained following the process of extended field of application

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extended application report

document reporting extended application results, including all details of the process leading to those results

3.2 Symbols and abbreviations

The symbols and notations correspond to those given in the appropriate test method.

NOTE If different, the definition of symbol in the delegated Regulation (EU) 2016/364 of 1st July 2015 is given between brackets.

<i>FIGRA</i>	fire growth rate index used for classification purposes [W/s] (Fire growth rate)
<i>PCS</i>	gross heat of combustion [MJ/kg] (Gross calorific potential)
<i>THR</i> _{1200s}	total heat release (<i>HRR</i> _{sm30}) from test start until end of test, excluding contribution from ignition source [MJ]
<i>TSP</i> _{1200s}	total smoke production (<i>SPR</i> _{sm60}) from test start until end of test [m ²]
<i>Peak HRR</i>	= HRR = maximum value of heat release, excluding the burner output, determined during the whole burner application time, averaged over 30 s expressed in [kW] (Maximum of <i>HRR</i> _{sm30} between test start and end of test excluded contribution from ignition source)
<i>Peak SPR</i>	= SPR = maximum value of smoke production, determined during the whole burner application time, averaged over 60 s, expressed in [m ² /s] (maximum <i>SPR</i> _{sm60} between test start and end of test)
<i>FS</i>	vertical flame spread [m] equals the damaged length of the sample
<i>H</i>	vertical flame spread [mm] as defined in 3.1.17
<i>m'</i>	mean value of the set of results of a continuous parameter determined in accordance with the relevant test method using the minimum number of tests as specified in the test method
<i>m</i>	mean value of the set of results of a continuous parameter determined in accordance with the procedure in 7.4 and used for classification

4 Classes of reaction to fire performance

The classes with their corresponding fire performance are given in Table 1.

Products classified in a given class are deemed to satisfy all the requirements of any lower class.

The main classification can only be obtained by undertaking the tests for a particular product or product family. Some additional classification can be obtained without testing (e.g. a3).

5 Test methods**5.1 General**

The following test methods are specified in relation to the envisaged reaction to fire classification. The relevant classification parameters are given in Table 1.