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**Road vehicles — Automotive cables —**

**Part 8:**

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screened or unscreened multi or single  
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## Foreword

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## Introduction

This document was prepared following a joint resolution to improve the general structure of the ISO Automotive Electric Cable standards. This new structure adds more clarity and, by defining a new standard family, opens up the standard for future amendments.

Many other standards currently refer to ISO 6722-1, ISO 6722-2 and ISO 14572. So these standards will stay valid at least until the next scheduled systematic review and will be replaced later on by the ISO 19642 series.

For new Automotive Cable Projects customers and suppliers are advised on using the ISO 19642 series.

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# Road vehicles — Automotive cables —

## Part 8:

## Dimensions and requirements for 30 V a.c. or 60 V d.c. round, sheathed, screened or unscreened multi or single core aluminium conductor cables

**WARNING** — The use of this document can involve hazardous materials, operations and equipment. This document does not purport to address all of the safety concerns, if any, associated with its use. It is the responsibility of the user of this document to establish appropriate safety practices and determine the applicability of regulatory limitations prior to use.

### 1 Scope

This document specifies the dimensions and requirements for multi or single core cables intended for use in road vehicle applications where the nominal system voltage is 30 V a.c. or 60 V d.c.. It also applies to individual cores in multi core 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.

ISO 19642-1, *Road vehicles — Automotive cables — Vocabulary and design guidelines*

ISO 19642-2, *Road vehicles — Automotive cables — Test methods*

ISO 19642-4, *Road vehicles — Automotive cables — Dimensions and requirements — 30 V a.c. or 60 V d.c. single core aluminium cables*

### 3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in ISO 19642-1 apply.

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

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

### 4 Specifications

#### 4.1 General test conditions

The test conditions of ISO 19642-2 shall apply.

The cables shall be submitted to the tests as specified in [Table 2](#).

If suppliers and customers agree upon modifications or changes to the methods and requirements, all the changes and modifications shall be clearly documented.

## 4.2 Safety concerns

The precautions as described in the WARNING at the beginning of this document shall be followed.

## 4.3 Voltage rating

The voltage rating is established by the rating of the cores 30 V a.c. or 60 V d.c..

## 4.4 Temperature classes

The temperature class rating is established by the rating(s) of the cores and sheath. The rating of the cable shall be equal to the lowest rating of the individual cores and sheath. Temperature classes suitable for aluminium conductor cables are defined in [Table 1](#).

**Table 1 — Temperature class rating**

| Class | Equivalent class | Temperature<br>°C |
|-------|------------------|-------------------|
| A     | T1               | –40 to 85         |
| B     | T2               | –40 to 100        |
| C     | T3               | –40 to 125        |
| D     | T4               | –40 to 150        |
| E     | T5               | –40 to 175        |
| F     | T6               | –40 to 200        |

## 4.5 Conductor material

The conductor material shall be according to ISO 19642-4.

## 4.6 Conductors

The conductors of the core or cores shall be according to ISO 19642-4.

## 4.7 Sheath thickness

Two different sheath thicknesses are allowed in this document:

1. thin wall sheath;
2. thick wall sheath.

The insulation wall thickness of the core or cores shall be according to ISO 19642-4.

## 4.8 Core cable outside diameter

The maximum and minimum outside cable diameter for the core or cores shall be according to ISO 19642-4.

## 4.9 Representative conductor sizes for testing

When a test is required, all combinations of conductor size, insulation thickness and insulation formulation shall meet the specified requirements.

However, if testing of representative conductor sizes is permitted by agreement between the customer and the supplier, compliance for a cable family may be demonstrated by testing examples of large and small conductor sizes only.



#### 4.10 Reference and requirements for the tests according to ISO 19642-2

Additional production processes in a multi core cable (such as twisting, braiding, jacket extrusion) influence the properties of the cores in the finished cable. Thus for the dimensions and maximum conductor resistance of the used cores the requirements of ISO 19642-4 apply with the following additions:

The minimum wall thickness may follow the design guidelines in ISO 19642-1:—<sup>1)</sup>, A.4.

The maximum resistance of cores may follow the design guidelines in ISO 19642-1:—, A.5.

The values for maximum conductor resistance and minimum wall thickness of the insulation should be documented in the data sheet of the supplier and are the basis for assessment.

Dimensions of preferred constructions for round, sheathed, screened or unscreened multi or single core copper conductor cables are presented in [Annex A, Tables A.1](#) through [A.6](#).

A complete definition of all possible multi core cables is not feasible. In addition to the preferred constructions other constructions are permissible using the calculation rules in ISO 19642-1:—, Annex A.

The diameter under sheath may be calculated according to ISO 19642-1:—, A.3.

The wall thickness of sheath and the bedding layer may be calculated according to ISO 19642-1:—, A.6.

The maximum and minimum outside cable diameter may be calculated according to ISO 19642-1:—, A.9.

The dimensions of all cables should be documented in the datasheet of the supplier and are the basis for assessment.

[Table 2](#) provides a list of all relevant tests in ISO 19642-2:2019 for round, sheathed, screened or unscreened multi or single core cables. [ISO 19642-8:2019](#)

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**Table 2 — Tests**

| Test description   | Mandatory               |                       |                       | If required <sup>c</sup> |                       |
|--|-------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|
|  | In process <sup>a</sup> | Initial certification | Periodic <sup>b</sup> | Initial certification    | Periodic <sup>b</sup> |
| <b>6.1 Dimensional tests</b>   |                         |                       |                       |                          |                       |
| 6.1.1 Cable outside and inner layer diameters  | —                       | X                     | X                     | —                        | —                     |
| 6.1.2 Ovality of sheath  | —                       | —                     | —                     | X                        | X                     |
| 6.1.3 Thickness of sheath  | —                       | X                     | X                     | —                        | —                     |
| 6.1.4 In-process cable outside diameter  | X                       | —                     | —                     | —                        | —                     |
| <b>Key</b><br>X: Test shall be performed according to ISO 19642-2<br>—: Test is not required<br><sup>a</sup> A test made on entire cable length during or after manufacture.<br><sup>b</sup> The frequency of periodic testing shall be established by agreement between the customer and the supplier.<br><sup>c</sup> The usage of "If required" tests shall be established by agreement between the customer and the supplier.<br><sup>d</sup> These tests are only used in preparation and after environmental endurance tests.<br><sup>e</sup> Only one of the two abrasion tests has to be performed as to agreement between the customer and the supplier.<br><sup>f</sup> Compliance for a cable family may be demonstrated by testing examples of large and small conductor sizes only.<br><sup>g</sup> Some fluids are for "Initial certification" and others are "if required". |                         |                       |                       |                          |                       |

1) Under preparation.

Table 2 (continued)

| Test description   | Mandatory               |                       |                       | If required <sup>c</sup> |                       |
|--|-------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|
|  | In process <sup>a</sup> | Initial certification | Periodic <sup>b</sup> | Initial certification    | Periodic <sup>b</sup> |
| <b>6.2 Electrical tests</b>  |                         |                       |                       |                          |                       |
| 6.2.1 Electrical continuity  | —                       | X                     | X                     | —                        | —                     |
| 6.2.2 Withstand voltage at final inspection  | X                       | X                     | X                     | —                        | —                     |
| 6.2.3 Screening effectiveness  |                         |                       |                       |                          |                       |
| 6.2.3.1 Purpose  |                         |                       |                       |                          |                       |
| 6.2.3.2 d.c. resistance of the screen  | —                       | —                     | —                     | X                        | X                     |
| 6.2.3.3 Surface transfer impedance — Tri-axial method  | —                       | —                     | —                     | X                        | X                     |
| 6.2.3.4 Screening attenuation — Absorbing clamp method   | —                       | —                     | —                     | X                        | X                     |
| 6.2.3.5 Screening attenuation — Tri-axial method   | —                       | —                     | —                     | X                        | X                     |
| 6.2.4 Sheath fault on screened cables  | X                       | —                     | —                     | —                        | —                     |
| <b>6.3 Mechanical tests</b>  |                         |                       |                       |                          |                       |
| 6.3.1 Strip force of sheath  | —                       | —                     | —                     | X                        | X                     |
| 6.3.2 Cyclic bending   | —                       | —                     | —                     | X                        | —                     |
| 6.3.3 Flexibility  | —                       | —                     | —                     | X                        | —                     |
| <b>6.4 Environmental tests</b>   |                         |                       |                       |                          |                       |
| 6.4.1 Test specimen preparation and winding tests <sup>d</sup>   | —                       | —                     | —                     | —                        | —                     |
| 6.4.2 Long term heat ageing, 3 000 h at temperature class rating   | —                       | —                     | —                     | —                        | —                     |
| 6.4.3 Short term heat ageing, 240 h at temperature class rating +25 °C   | —                       | X                     | X                     | —                        | —                     |
| 6.4.4 Thermal overload, 6 h at temperature class rating +50 °C   | —                       | —                     | —                     | X                        | X                     |
| 6.4.5 Pressure test at high temperature  | —                       | X                     | X                     | —                        | —                     |
| 6.4.6 Shrinkage by heat of sheath  | —                       | X                     | X                     | —                        | —                     |
| 6.4.7 Low temperature winding  | —                       | X                     | X                     | —                        | —                     |
| 6.4.8 Cold impact  | —                       | —                     | —                     | X                        | X                     |
| 6.4.9 Temperature and humidity cycling <sup>f</sup>  | —                       | —                     | —                     | X                        | —                     |
| 6.4.10 Resistance to liquid chemicals <sup>f, g</sup>  | —                       | X                     | —                     | X                        | —                     |
| 6.4.11 Durability of sheath marking <sup>f</sup>   | —                       | —                     | —                     | X                        | X                     |
| <b>Key</b><br>X: Test shall be performed according to ISO 19642-2<br>—: Test is not required<br><sup>a</sup> A test made on entire cable length during or after manufacture.<br><sup>b</sup> The frequency of periodic testing shall be established by agreement between the customer and the supplier.<br><sup>c</sup> The usage of "If required" tests shall be established by agreement between the customer and the supplier.<br><sup>d</sup> These tests are only used in preparation and after environmental endurance tests.<br><sup>e</sup> Only one of the two abrasion tests has to be performed as to agreement between the customer and the supplier.<br><sup>f</sup> Compliance for a cable family may be demonstrated by testing examples of large and small conductor sizes only.<br><sup>g</sup> Some fluids are for "Initial certification" and others are "if required". |                         |                       |                       |                          |                       |

Table 2 (continued)

| Test description   | Mandatory               |                       |                       | If required <sup>c</sup> |                       |
|--|-------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|
|  | In process <sup>a</sup> | Initial certification | Periodic <sup>b</sup> | Initial certification    | Periodic <sup>b</sup> |
| 6.4.12 Resistance to ozone <sup>f</sup>  | —                       | —                     | —                     | X                        | —                     |
| 6.4.13 Artificial weathering <sup>f</sup>  | —                       | —                     | —                     | X                        | —                     |
| 6.4.14 Resistance to flame propagation   | —                       | X                     | X                     | —                        | —                     |
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## 5 Requirements for single core cables

Cores shall fulfill the requirements of ISO 19642-4.

Any construction with inner conductors that do not match ISO 19642-4 due to additional protection by the sheath are considered special purpose cable and captured as agreement between the customer and the supplier.

## 6 Requirements for round, sheathed, screened or unscreened multi or single core cables

### 6.1 General

The cables shall be tested per ISO 19642-2 according to their temperature class rating.

The cables shall be submitted to the tests as specified in [Table 2](#).

### 6.2 Dimensional tests

#### 6.2.1 Cable outside and inner layer diameters

Measure the following parameters, if applicable:

- outside diameter of twisted cores;
- outside diameter of bedding layer;
- outside diameter of braid;
- outside diameter of foils;
- outside diameter of jacket.

Dimensions shall be within the limits established by agreement between the customer and the supplier.