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## European foreword

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**prEN 3745-306:2022 (E)****1 Scope**

This document specifies a method for checking the variation of attenuation of an optical cable during temperature cycling.

**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 3745-201, *Aerospace series — Fibres and cables, optical, aircraft use — Test methods — Part 201: Visual examination*

EN 3745-402, *Aerospace series — Fibres and cables, optical, aircraft use — Test methods — Part 402: Temperature cycling*

IEC 61300-3-47, *Examinations and measurements — End face geometry of PC/APC spherically polished ferrules using interferometry*

**3 Terms and definitions**

No terms and definitions are listed in this document.

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 <https://www.electropedia.org/>

**4 Preparation of specimens**

**4.1** Unless detailed in the product standard the cable specimens shall be pre-conditioned for a minimum of 24 hours at the ambient temperature of the test area prior to commencing the test programme.

The specimens shall be loosely coiled with a bend radius greater than that of the specified storage radius.

**4.2** Unless specified in the product standard, the following elements shall be applied:

- The specimen length tolerances shall be in accordance with the product standard. The test specimens shall be terminated with suitable fibre optic termini to enable mateability to optical monitoring equipment.
- Qualification test specimen termini shall be polished with end-face geometry requirements in accordance with IEC 61300-3-47 unless otherwise specified in the product standard.
- Each end of the specimen should be labelled for identification purposes. The labels shall allow test data traceability to the respective test specimen.
- Insertion loss requirements shall be in accordance with the product standard.
- Test launch cables shall be compliant with fibre characteristics of the specimen under test e.g. 62,5 µm/125 µm graded index fibre, NA of 0,275 for testing 62,5 µm/125 µm optical fibre.

## 5 Launch conditions

The following launch condition criteria shall be used for the test (for additional information, refer to EN 2591-100).

### 5.1 Launch conditions specification for 62,5 µm/125 µm fibres and cables (NA = 0,275)

This launch condition is considered suitable for testing general 62,5 µm/125 µm fibres and cables with a numerical aperture (NA) of  $0,275 \pm 0,015$ .

To test this optical fibre or cable, the light launch system shall emit at  $850 \text{ nm} \pm 30 \text{ nm}$  and  $1\,300 \text{ nm} \pm 30 \text{ nm}$  with specific launch conditions defined in tables detailed in EN 2591-100. The user has the option of using a source with built-in launch conditioner or performing the launch conditioning externally to the source. As such it is an 85:85 launch into 62,5 µm/125 µm fibre with appropriate limits.

This specification is defined to allow the application of a common mode conditioner to both 850 nm and 1 300 nm wavelength sources.

### 5.2 Launch conditions specification for 50 µm/125 µm fibres and cables (NA = 0,2 ± 0,015)

This launch condition is considered suitable for testing general 50 µm/125 µm fibres and cables with a NA of  $0,2 \pm 0,015$ .

The launch condition specification for testing 50 µm/125 µm fibre (0,2 NA) is given in tables detailed in EN 2591-100. This is a scaled version of the proposed launch condition for 62,5 µm fibre. As such it is an 85:85 launch into 50 µm/125 µm fibre with appropriate limits.

To test this optical cable, the light launch system shall emit at  $850 \text{ nm} \pm 30 \text{ nm}$  and  $1\,300 \text{ nm} \pm 30 \text{ nm}$  with specific launch conditions defined in the following table. The user has the option of using a source with built in launch conditioner or performing the launch conditioning externally to the source. This specification is defined to allow the application of a common mode conditioner to both 850 nm and 1 300 nm wavelength sources.

## 6 Method

### 6.1 Procedure

Connect the specimen to a suitable light launch system.

Coil the specimen to the bend radius as specified in the product standard.

Connect the specimen to a suitable light detection system.

Measure the variation of attenuation continuously throughout the test in accordance with the product standard.

Perform the specified cycle numbers of temperature cycling in accordance with EN 3745-402.

### 6.2 Final measurements and requirements

- The maximum increase in attenuation shall not exceed the specified value, as defined in the product standard.
- Examine the test specimen for damage in accordance with EN 3745-201.