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## INTERNATIONAL ELECTROTECHNICAL COMMISSION

**RADIO FREQUENCY AND COAXIAL CABLE ASSEMBLIES -  
Part 3: Sectional specification for semi-flexible coaxial cable assemblies****1 Scope**

This part of IEC 60966 is a sectional specification that relates to semi-flexible coaxial cable assemblies operating in the transverse electromagnetic mode (TEM). It specifies the design and construction, IEC type designation, workmanship, marking and packaging, standard rating and characteristics, electrical, mechanical and environmental requirements of finished semi-flexible cable assemblies, quality assessment, delivery and storage, etc.

This part of IEC 60966 applies to semi-flexible cable assemblies composed of semi-flexible coaxial cables and coaxial connectors. Semi-flexible cable assemblies are widely used in mobile communication systems, microwave test equipment, radar, aerospace and other fields.

NOTE 1: For the purpose of this sectional specification, a cable assembly is always regarded as an integral unit. All specifications apply to the finished assembly and not to individual and non-assembled parts thereof.

NOTE 2: This sectional specification should be supplemented with detail specifications giving additional details as required by the particular application. This application will not necessarily require all tests.

**2 Normative references**

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application 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.

IEC 60966-1:2019, *Radio-frequency and coaxial cable assemblies Part 1: Generic specification - General requirements and test methods*

IEC 61169 (all parts), *Radio-frequency connectors*

IEC 61196-1-126 *Coaxial communication cables Part 1-126: Electrical test methods – Corona extinction voltage*

IEC 61196-8 *Coaxial communication cables-Part 8: Sectional specification for semi-flexible cables with polytetrafluoroethylene(PTFE) dielectric*

IEC 62321 *Electrotechnical products-Determination of levels of six regulated substance (lead, mercury, cadmium, hexavalent chromium, polybrominated biphenyls, polybrominated diphenyl ethers)*

**3 Definitions**

For the purposes of this document, the definitions given in IEC 60966-1:2019 apply.

## 83 4 Design and construction

### 84 4.1 Cable design and construction

85 Cables should conform to IEC 61196-8. Where cable designs deviating from these  
86 publications are required, they shall comply with the requirements of the detail specification of  
87 the cable.

88 If required, the manufacturer may use additional protective tubing or cable deviating from IEC  
89 61196-8, in order to comply with the requirements of the detail specification.

90 The materials used in the cable shall be given as engineering information the relevant detail  
91 specification.

92 According to local regulation, raw material of the cable as well as those of additional  
93 protection shall be chosen to comply with regional or national Directives and Regulations such  
94 as RoHS and REACH in Europe.

### 95 4.2 Connector design and construction

96 Connectors should conform to IEC 61169. Where connector designs deviating from IEC 61169  
97 are required, the interface should conform to the relevant part of IEC 61169 where available  
98 and shall comply with the requirements of the detail specification.

99 The materials used in the connector shall be given as engineering information the relevant  
100 detail specification.

101 According to local regulation, raw material of the connector as well as those of additional  
102 protection shall be chosen to comply with RoHS and other environmental regulation such as  
103 REACH in Europe.

### 104 4.3 The relative position dimensions of the interface

105 The relative position dimensions of the interface of end connector(s) of the cable assemblies  
106 should comply with the interface of the relevant part of IEC 61169 or the relevant detail  
107 specification. The relative position dimensions of the interface of end connector(s) include the  
108 dimension of inner conductor relative to dielectric and inner conductor relative to out  
109 conductor.

110 The relative position dimensions of the interface of some typical connectors are shown in  
111 Annex A.

### 112 4.4 Outline of the cable assembly

113 The outline shall be in accordance with the detail specification of the cable assembly.

114 The length, unless otherwise specified in the relevant detail specification, is defined as  
115 between the end planes of the connectors. In the case of right-angle connectors, the length  
116 applies to the axis of the connectors (see figure 1 and figure 2).

117 Unless specified in the relevant detail specification, the length tolerance shall be  $\pm 1$  % for  
118 cables equal to or longer than 300 mm, and  $\pm 3$  mm for cables shorter than 300 mm.

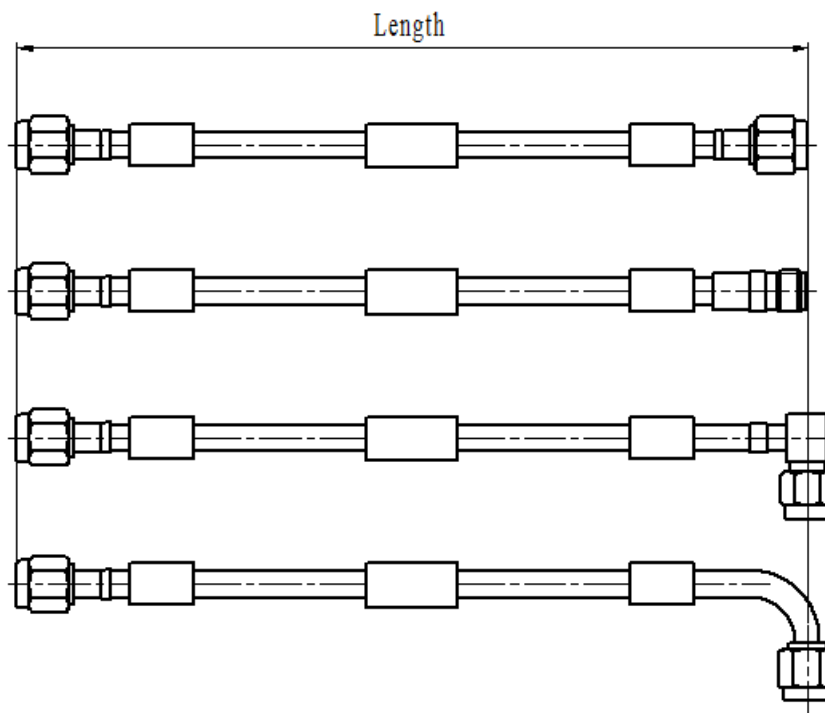


Figure 1 - Length definition of cable assemblies with two connectors

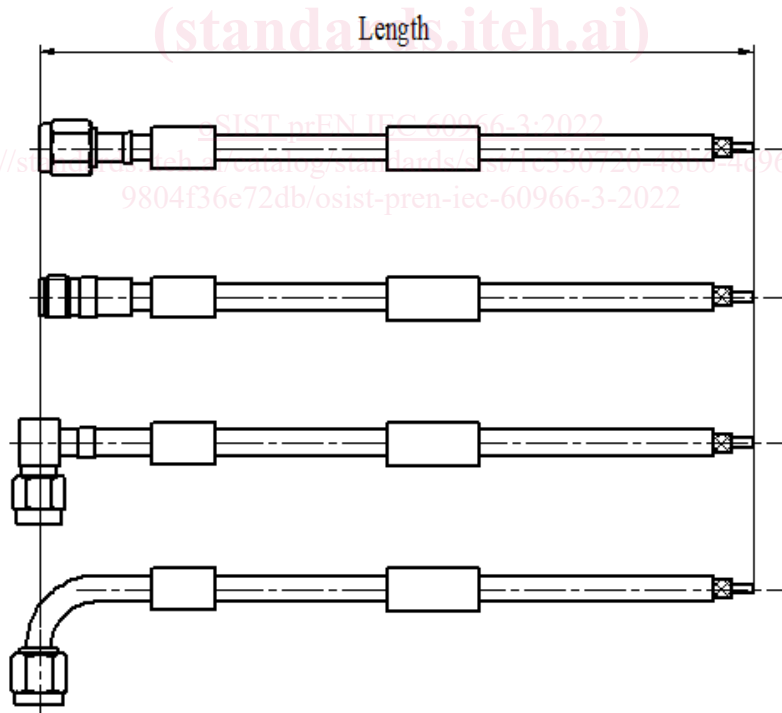


Figure 2 - Length definition of cable assemblies with one connector

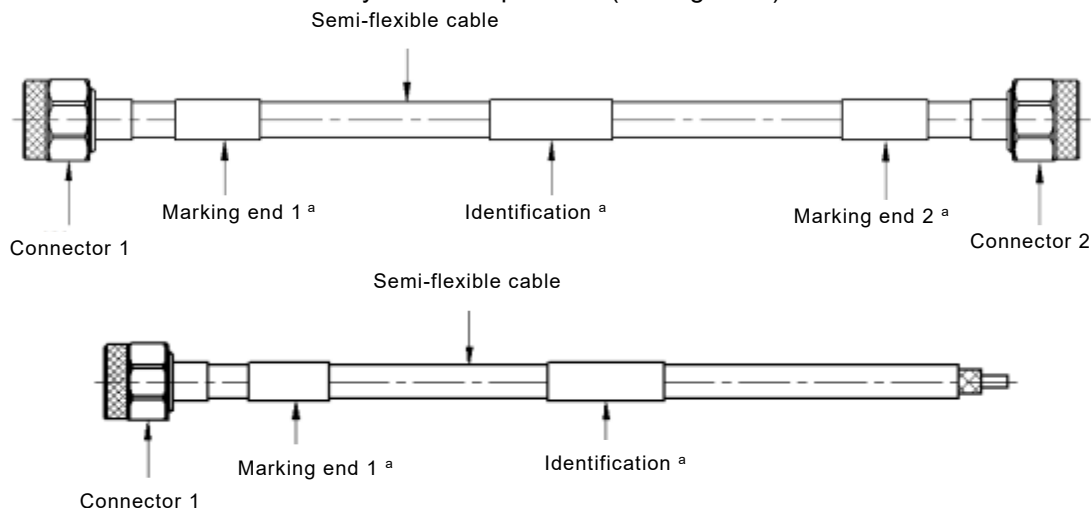
## 5 Workmanship, marking and packaging

Clause 5 of IEC 60966-1:2019 and the following applies:

Cable assemblies made in accordance with this sectional specification comprise a section of cable and two connectors. Occasionally the cable assembly will comprise only a cable and one connector. When specified in the relevant detail specification, the assembly may



additionally include markers for identification of the assembly and interconnecting ends. End caps and other accessories may also be specified (see figure 3).

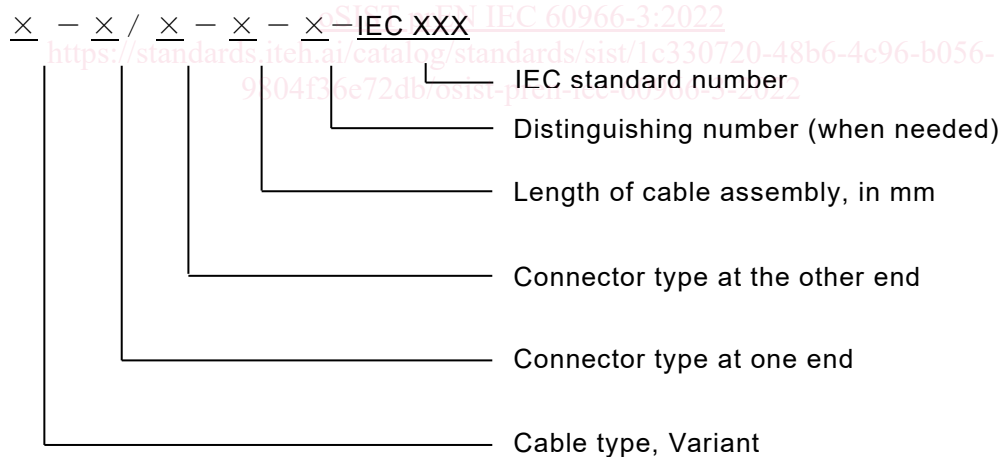


<sup>a</sup> When specified

**Figure 3 – The marking example of a cable assembly**

## 6 IEC type designation

IEC type designation of cable assembly consists of the type of cable and connectors, the length of the cable assembly and the IEC standard number, as shown below:



For example 1: 50-141-13-SMA/SMA-100-A-IEC60966-3 cable assembly is comprised with 50-141-13 semi-flexible cable, one end is SMA pin connector and the other end is SMA pin connector, the length of the cable assembly is 100mm, its distinguishing number is A. This cable assembly comply with IEC 60966-3.

For example 2: 50-141-13-SMA-100-A-IEC60966-3 cable assembly is comprised with 50-141-13 semi-flexible cable, one end is SMA pin connector and the other end empty, the length of the cable assembly is 100mm, its distinguishing number is A. This cable assembly comply with IEC 60966-3.

## 156 7 Rating and characteristics

### 157 7.1 Nominal characteristic impedance

158 The nominal characteristic impedance shall be 50Ω, 75Ω or specified in the relevant detail  
159 specification.

### 160 7.2 Temperature range

161 The rated temperature range of the cable assemblies with different cables shall be in  
162 according to Table 1 or as specified in its detail specification.

163 **Table 1 Rated temperature of cable assemblies with semi-flexible cables with**  
164 **polytetrafluoroethylene dielectric (IEC 61196-8)**

Parameter	No sheath °C	PVC Sheath °C	FEP Sheath °C	LSZH Sheath °C
Operational temperature range	-55~125	-40~85	-55~125	-15~70
Storage temperature range	-55~125	-40~85	-55~125	-15~70
Installation temperature range	-10~40	-30~60	-40~60	-10~60

## 165 8 Requirements of finished cable assemblies

### 166 8.1 General

167 For finished cable assemblies, the requirements given below shall apply when they are tested  
168 in accordance with IEC 60966-1:2019 and the test methods specified herein.

169 When needed, cable assemblies with one connector shall be terminated with a suitable  
170 connector at the cable end to do the test and cut off after the test.

171 Unless otherwise specified, all measurements shall be carried out under standard  
172 atmospheric conditions for testing in accordance with clause 5 of IEC 60068-1:2013.

### 173 8.2 Electrical requirements

174 Electrical requirements are given in Table 2.

175 **Table 2- Electrical requirements**

Subclause	Parameter	Test method IEC 60966-1:2019	Requirements/Remarks
8.2.1	Reflection properties	8.1	<p>Value in accordance with the relevant detail specification</p> <p>While the parameter return loss (<math>A_r</math>) is preferred, the reflection factor (<math>r</math>) or the VSWR (voltage standing wave ratio) may be specified</p> <p>where</p> $A_r = -20 \log_{10}  r $ <p>and</p> $\text{VSWR} = \frac{1 +  r }{1 -  r }$

Subclause	Parameter	Test method IEC 60966-1:2019	Requirements/Remarks
8.2.2	Uniformity of impedance	8.2	Rise time of the TDR system according to the detail specification. The characteristic impedance variation shall not exceed $\pm 5\%$ of the nominal value or in accordance with the relevant detail specifications.
8.2.3	Insertion loss	8.3	Value in accordance with the relevant detail specification
8.2.4	Insertion loss stability	8.4	When required, unless otherwise specified in the relevant detail specification, test conditions and requirements are as follows : a) test mandrel radius: dynamic state bending radius in the relevant detail specification of cable b) number of turns: 1 c) portion of the cable assembly on the mandrel is its central portion After bending, the insertion loss shall be in accordance with the detail specification.
8.2.5	Propagation time	8.5	When required, value in accordance with the detail specification. Typical values are for solid PTFE dielectric of cable: 4,76 ns/m.
8.2.6	Stability of electrical length	8.6	When required, method 1 or method 2 in 8.6.2.1 of IEC 60966-1:2019 shall be used in accordance with detail specification. Test conditions and requirements in accordance with the detail specification.
8.2.7	Phase difference	8.7	When required, the phase difference shall not exceed the limits specified in the relevant detail specification. When more than two cable assemblies measured, the reference cable shall be clearly marked.
8.2.8	Phase variation with temperature	8.8	When required, the value is in accordance with the detail specification.
8.2.9	Screening effectiveness	8.9	The value of transfer impedance or shield attenuation in accordance with detail specification. Typical values are as follows: a) transfer impedance: when test frequency is less than 30 MHz, the maximum value is 300 $\mu\Omega/\text{m}$ ; b) shield attenuation: better than (90-f) dB, f:GHz.
8.2.10	Voltage proof	8.10	Value in accordance with the relevant detail specification There shall be no breakdown, arcing or flashover throughout. Typical values are: – sea-level: 86 kPa to 106 kPa; – 10 km: 25 kPa; – 20 km: 4,4 kPa.
8.2.11	Insulation resistance	8.11	$\geq 1000 \text{ M}\Omega$ , or in accordance with the relevant detail specification.
8.2.12	Inner and outer conductor continuity	8.12	Test voltage: $\leq 36 \text{ V DC}$ . Inner conductor and outer conductor shall be continuous