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- a) updated environmental category (from U to OP), tests and their severities according to IEC 61753-1;
- b) changed the term and definitions of the different type of test samples (pigtail test samples and patchcord test samples) used in the various tests to avoid confusion;
- c) updated fibre naming conventions according to IEC 60793-2-50 and added provision for B-657 fibres;

- 91 d) added all the attenuation and return loss grades defined in IEC 61753-1;
 92 e) removed the static side load test;
 93 f) add provisions for rectangular ferrule connectors;
 94 g) added the fibre optic connector proof test with static load – side pull;
 95 h) added Annex B for visual examination of the outer cable sheath movement of reinforced
 96 cables as an additional requirement for change of temperature, cable retention and flexing
 97 of the strain relief tests.

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Part 021-03: Single-mode fibre optic connectors terminated as pigtails and patchcords for category OP – Outdoor protected environment

1 Scope

This part of IEC 61753 defines minimum initial test and measurement requirements and severities which single-mode fibre optic connectors terminated as a pigtail or a patchcord satisfy in order to be categorized as meeting the IEC standard category OP (outdoor protected environment), as defined in IEC 61753-1.

If tests were performed on the connectors terminated as pigtails or patchcords for category OP^{HD}, OP⁺ or OP⁺HD and the product passed, the product will be automatically qualified or categorized as meeting the IEC standard for category OP. If tests are performed on the connectors terminated as pigtails or patchcords for category OP, and the product passes, the product will be automatically qualified or categorized as meeting the IEC standard for category C or C^{HD}.

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.

IEC 60793-2-50, *Optical fibres – Part 2-50: Product specifications – Sectional specification for class B single-mode fibres*

IEC 60794-2-23, *Optical fibre cables – Part 2-23: Indoor cables – Detailed specification for multi-fibre cables for use in MPO connector terminated cable assemblies*

IEC 60794-2-50, *Optical fibre cables – Part 2-50: Indoor cables – Family specification for simplex and duplex cables for use in terminated cable assemblies*

IEC 61300-1, *Fibre optic interconnecting devices and passive components – Basic test and measurement procedures – Part 1: General and guidance*

IEC 61300-2-1, *Fibre optic interconnecting devices and passive components – Basic test and measurement procedures – Part 2-1: Tests – Vibration (sinusoidal)*

IEC 61300-2-2, *Fibre optic interconnecting devices and passive components – Basic test and measurement procedures – Part 2-2: Tests – Mating durability*

IEC 61300-2-4, *Fibre optic interconnecting devices and passive components – Basic test and measurement procedures – Part 2-4: Tests – Fibre or cable retention*

IEC 61300-2-5, *Fibre optic interconnecting devices and passive components – Basic test and measurement procedures – Part 2-5: Tests – Torsion*

- 161 IEC 61300-2-6, *Fibre optic interconnecting devices and passive components – Basic test and*
162 *measurement procedures – Part 2-6: Tests – Tensile strength of coupling mechanism*
- 163 IEC 61300-2-7, *Fibre optic interconnecting devices and passive components – Basic test and*
164 *measurement procedures – Part 2-7: Tests – Bending moment*
- 165 IEC 61300-2-12, *Fibre optic interconnecting devices and passive components – Basic test and*
166 *measurement procedures – Part 2-12: Tests – Impact*
- 167 IEC 61300-2-17, *Fibre optic interconnecting devices and passive components – Basic test and*
168 *measurement procedures – Part 2-17: Tests – Cold*
- 169 IEC 61300-2-18, *Fibre optic interconnecting devices and passive components – Basic test and*
170 *measurement procedures – Part 2-18: Tests – Dry heat*
- 171 IEC 61300-2-22, *Fibre optic interconnecting devices and passive components – Basic test and*
172 *measurement procedures – Part 2-22: Tests – Change of temperature*
- 173 IEC 61300-2-26, *Fibre optic interconnecting devices and passive components – Basic test and*
174 *measurement procedures – Part 2-26: Tests – Salt mist*
- 175 IEC 61300-2-27, *Fibre optic interconnecting devices and passive components – Basic test and*
176 *measurement procedures – Part 2-27: Tests – Dust – Laminar flow*
- 177 IEC 61300-2-44, *Fibre optic interconnecting devices and passive components – Basic test and*
178 *measurement procedures – Part 2-44: Tests – Flexing of the strain relief of fibre optic devices*
- 179 IEC 61300-2-46, *Fibre optic interconnecting devices and passive components – Basic test and*
180 *measurement procedures – Part 2-46: Tests – Damp heat, cyclic*
- 181 IEC 61300-2-50, *Fibre optic interconnecting devices and passive components – Basic test and*
182 *measurement procedures – Part 2-50: Tests – Fibre optic connector proof test with static load*
183 *– Singlemode and multimode*
- 184 IEC 61300-3-1, *Fibre optic interconnecting devices and passive components – Basic test and*
185 *measurement procedures – Part 3-1: Examinations and measurements – Visual examination*
- 186 IEC 61300-3-3, *Fibre optic interconnecting devices and passive components – Basic test and*
187 *measurement procedures – Part 3-3: Examinations and measurements – Active monitoring of*
188 *changes in attenuation and return loss*
- 189 IEC 61300-3-4, *Fibre optic interconnecting devices and passive components – Basic test and*
190 *measurement procedures – Part 3-4: Examinations and measurements – Attenuation*
- 191 IEC 61300-3-6, *Fibre optic interconnecting devices and passive components – Basic test and*
192 *measurement procedures – Part 3-6: Examinations and measurements – Return loss*
- 193 IEC 61300-3-28, *Fibre optic interconnecting devices and passive components – Basic test and*
194 *measurement procedures – Part 3-28: Examinations and measurements – Transient loss*
- 195 IEC 61300-3-34, *Fibre optic interconnecting devices and passive components – Basic test and*
196 *measurement procedures – Part 3-34: Examinations and measurements – Attenuation of*
197 *random mated connectors*

198 IEC 61300-3-45, *Fibre optic interconnecting devices and passive components – Basic test and*
 199 *measurement procedures – Part 3-45: Examinations and measurements – Attenuation of*
 200 *random mated multi-fibre connectors*

201 IEC 61753-1, *Fibre optic interconnecting devices and passive components – Performance*
 202 *standard – Part 1: General and guidance*

203 IEC 61754 (all parts), *Fibre optic interconnecting devices and passive components – Fibre optic*
 204 *connector interfaces*

205 IEC 61755 (all parts), *Fibre optic interconnecting devices and passive components – Fibre optic*
 206 *connector optical interfaces*

207 IEC 61755-2 (all parts), *Fibre optic interconnecting devices and passive components – Fibre*
 208 *optic connector optical interfaces – Part 2: Optical interface*

209 IEC 61755-3 (all parts), *Fibre optic interconnecting devices and passive components – Fibre*
 210 *optic connector optical interfaces – Part 3: Optical interface*

211 **3 Terms and definitions**

212 For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in IEC 61753-1 and the
 213 following apply.

214 ISO and IEC maintain terminology databases for use in standardization at the following
 215 addresses:

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

218 **3.1**

219 **change in attenuation**

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221 \pm deviation from the original value of the transmitted power at the start of the test

222 Note 1 to entry: The deviation is expressed as a unit of dB.

223 **3.2**

224 **sample**

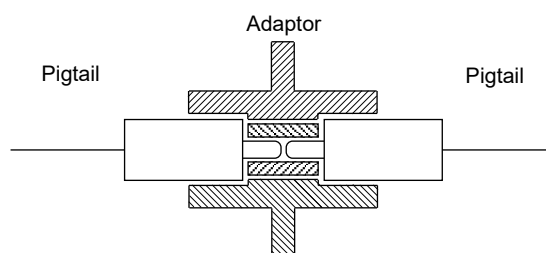
225 complete set of connector components required to provide demountable coupling between one
 226 or more pairs of optical fibres

227 **3.3**

228 **pigtail test sample**

229 sample comprised of two pigtails mated with an adaptor

230 Note 1 to entry: See Figure 1.



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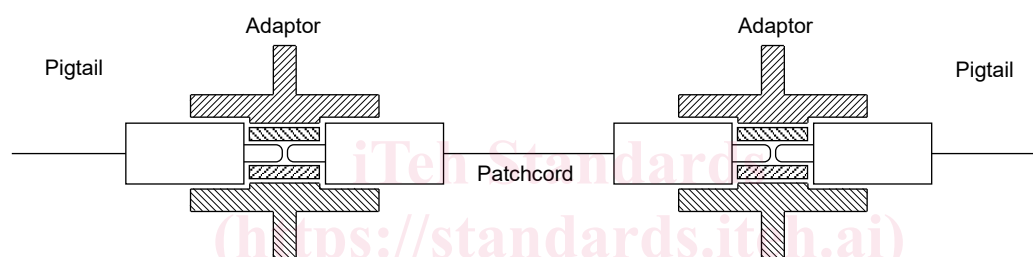
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Figure 1 – Pigtail test sample

233 **3.4**234 **patchcord test sample**

235 sample comprised of patchcord mated to two pigtails using adaptors

236 Note 1 to entry: See Figure 2.



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Figure 2 – Patchcord test sample

239 **4 Tests**

240 All test and measurement methods were selected from the IEC 61300 series and the test
 241 parameters and requirements from IEC 61753-1 as defined in 7.6 and 7.7. Additional
 242 requirements to certain tests are given in Annex B.

243 The connector plugs under test shall be terminated onto single-mode fibre per IEC 60793-2-50,
 244 type B-652 or B-657, in either primary coated, buffered or reinforced cable format. The
 245 reinforced cable used for the pigtails or patchcords shall conform to the requirements of
 246 IEC 60794-2-23 or IEC 60794-2-50. Care shall be taken to respect the minimum bend radius of
 247 the cable. The connector interface standard shall meet the dimensions of the relevant part of
 248 the IEC 61754 series and the connector optical interface standard shall meet the relevant
 249 requirements of the IEC 61755 series.

250 **5 Test report**

251 Fully documented test reports and supporting evidence shall be prepared and available for
 252 inspection as evidence that the tests have been carried out and the results are satisfactory.

253 **6 Reference components**

254 No reference components are required to perform the tests in this document.