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a) reference to tests according to IEC 60245-2 has been deleted and replaced by IEC 63294;
b) normative references have been updated.

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The language used for the development of this International Standard is English.

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– reconfirmed,
– withdrawn, or
– revised.

1 Scope

This part of IEC 60245 defines the particular requirements for rubber insulated and braided cords and for rubber insulated and rubber or polychloroprene or other equivalent synthetic elastomer sheathed cords and flexible cables of rated voltages up to and including 450/750 V which apply in addition to the general requirements specified in IEC 60245-1, which apply to all cables.

The tests for cables specified in the IEC 60245 series are described in IEC 63294.

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 60228, *Conductors of insulated cables*

IEC 60245-1:2026, *Rubber insulated cables - Rated voltages up to and including 450/750 V - Part 1: General requirements*

IEC 60245-8:2026, *Rubber insulated cables - Rated voltages up to and including 450/750 V - Part 8: Cords for applications requiring high flexibility*

IEC 60719, *Calculation of the lower and upper limits for the average outer dimensions of cables with circular copper conductors and of rated voltages up to and including 450/750 V*

IEC 60811-401, *Electric and optical fibre cables - Test methods for non-metallic materials - Part 401: Miscellaneous tests - Thermal ageing methods - Ageing in an air oven*

IEC 60811-403, *Electric and optical fibre cables - Test methods for non-metallic materials - Miscellaneous tests - Ozone resistance test on cross-linked compounds*

IEC 60811-404, *Electric and optical fibre cables - Test methods for non-metallic materials - Miscellaneous tests - Mineral oil immersion tests for sheaths*

IEC 60811-412, *Electric and optical fibre cables - Test methods for non-metallic materials - Part 412: Miscellaneous tests - Thermal ageing methods - Ageing in an air bomb*

IEC 60811-501, *Electric and optical fibre cables - Test methods for non-metallic materials - Mechanical tests - Tests for determining the mechanical properties of insulating and sheathing compounds*

IEC 60811-504, *Electric and optical fibre cables - Test methods for non-metallic materials - Mechanical tests - Bending tests at low temperature for insulation and sheaths*

IEC 60811-505, *Electric and optical fibre cables - Test methods for non-metallic materials - Mechanical tests - Elongation at low temperature for insulations and sheaths*

IEC 60811-507, *Electric and optical fibre cables - Test methods for non-metallic materials - Mechanical tests - Hot set test for cross-linked materials*

IEC 62440, *Electric cables with a rated voltage not exceeding 450/750 V - Guide to use*