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This edition includes the following significant technical changes with respect to the previous edition:

- a) the test method IEC 61300-3-22 for the compression force of the ferrule was added;
- b) Annex A (informative) with cut out dimension requirements for testing the strength of mounted adaptors was added.

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1 Scope

This part of IEC 61754 specifies the standard interface dimensions for type SC family of connectors.

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 61300-3-22, *Fibre optic interconnecting devices and passive components – Basic test and measurement procedures – Part 3-22: Examinations and measurements – Ferrule compression force*

IEC 61754-1, *Fibre optic interconnecting devices and passive components – Fibre optic connector interfaces – Part 1: General and guidance*

IEC 61755-3 (all parts), *Fibre optic interconnecting devices and passive components - Connector optical interfaces: Connector parameters of dispersion unshifted single-mode physically contacting fibres*

IEC 63267-3 (all parts), *Fibre optic interconnecting devices and passive components - Connector optical interfaces for enhanced macro bend multimode fibres: Connector parameters of physically contacting 50 µm core diameter fibres*

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in IEC 61754-1 apply.

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4 Description

The parent connector for the type SC connector family is a single position plug connector characterized by a 2,5 mm nominal ferrule diameter. It includes a push-pull coupling mechanism which is spring loaded relative to the ferrule in the direction of the optical axis. The plug has a single male key which may be used to orient and limit the relative position between the connector and the component to which it is mated. The optical alignment mechanism of the connector is of a sleeve style.

This document defines the standard interface dimensions of active device receptacles for the type SC connectors. The receptacles are used to retain the connector plug and mechanically maintain the optical datum target of the plugs at a defined position within the receptacle housings.

5 Interfaces

This document contains the standard interfaces showed in Table 1.

Table 1 – Interfaces

Interface IEC 61754-4-1	Simplex plug connector interface – push/pull, physical contact (PC)
Interface IEC 61754-4-2	Simplex adaptor connector interface – push/pull
Interface IEC 61754-4-3	Duplex plug connector interface – push/pull, PC
Interface IEC 61754-4-4	Duplex adaptor connector interface – push/pull
Interface IEC 61754-4-5	Simplex plug connector interface – push/pull, angled PC (APC) 8°
Interface IEC 61754-4-6	Duplex plug connector interface – push/pull, APC 8°
Interface IEC 61754-4-X1	Simplex active device receptacle interface – for APC 8° connector plug
Interface IEC 61754-4-X2	Simplex active device receptacle interface – for PC connector plug
Interface IEC 61754-4-X3	Duplex active device receptacle interface – for APC 8° connector plug
Interface IEC 61754-4-X4	Duplex active device receptacle interface – for PC connector plug

Table 2 shows the intermateability of interfaces.

Table 2 – Intermateability of interfaces

Plugs	Adaptors/active device receptacles					
	61754-4-2	61754-4-4	61754-4-X1	61754-4-X2	61754-4-X3	61754-4-X4
61754-4-1	Mate	Mate	Not mate	Mate	Not mate	Mate
61754-4-3	Not mate	Mate	Not mate	Not mate	Not mate	Mate
61754-4-5	Mate	Mate	Mate	Not mate	Mate	Not mate
61754-4-6	Not mate	Mate	Not mate	Not mate	Mate	Not mate

Figure 1 is an example of a simplex PC plug connector interface. Table 3 gives dimensions of the simplex PC plug connector interface and Table 4 gives the grade characteristics for simplex PC plug connector interface.

A chamfer or radius is allowed to a maximum depth of 1,8 mm from the ferrule endface.

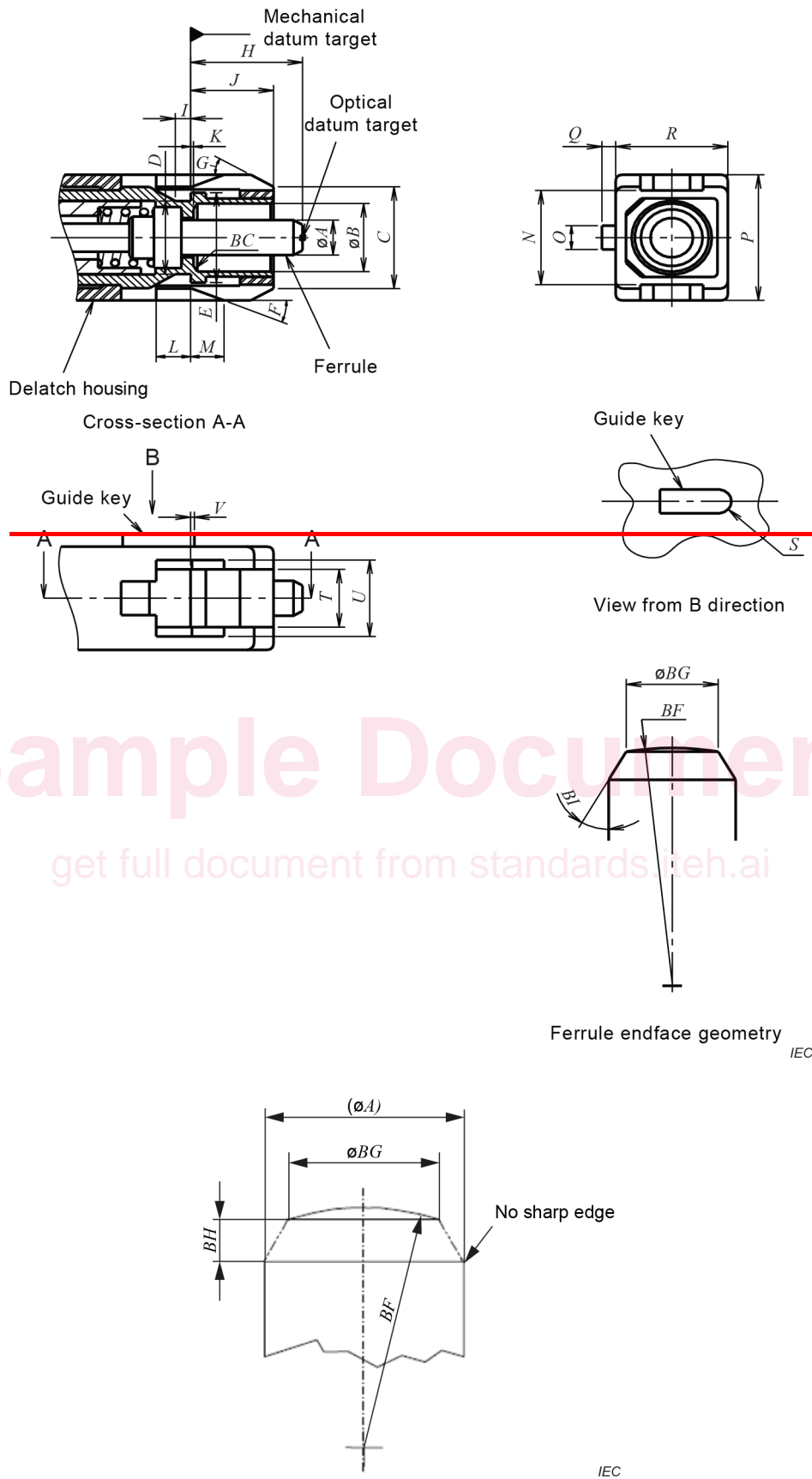


Figure 1 – Simplex PC plug connector interface

Table 3 – Dimensions of the simplex PC plug connector interface

Reference	Dimensions		Remarks
	Minimum	Maximum	
<i>A</i>	See Table 4		
<i>B</i>	4,8 mm	4,9 mm	
<i>C</i>	6,8 mm	7,4 mm	
<i>D</i>	4,9 mm	5,3 mm	
<i>E</i>	6,7 mm	6,8 mm	
<i>F</i>	19°	23°	Angle, unit in degrees
<i>G</i>	25°	35°	Angle, unit in degrees
<i>H</i>	7,15 mm	7,5 mm	^a
<i>I</i>	0,8 mm	1,2 mm	
<i>J</i>	5,3 mm	5,5 mm	
<i>K</i>	–	0,05 mm	
<i>L</i>	2,11 mm	–	^b
<i>M</i>	2,0 mm	2,8 mm	^{b c}
<i>N</i>	6,6 mm	6,8 mm	
<i>O</i>	1,6 mm	1,8 mm	
<i>P</i>	8,89 mm	8,99 mm	
<i>Q</i>	0,8 mm	1,0 mm	
<i>R</i>	7,29 mm	7,39 mm	
<i>S</i>	0,8 mm	0,90 mm	Radius
<i>T</i>	4,05 mm	4,15 mm	
<i>U</i>	5,4 mm	5,6 mm	
<i>V</i>	0 mm	0,5 mm	^b
<i>BC</i>	0 mm	0,5 mm	Chamfer or round
<i>BF</i>	See IEC 61755-3-1 Shall be as specified in the IEC 61755-3 series or IEC 63267-3 series		Radius ^d
<i>BG</i>	See IEC 61755-3-1 Shall be as specified in the IEC 61755-3 series or IEC 63267-3 series		Diameter
<i>BH BH</i>	25°	35°	Angle, unit in degrees
	Shall be as specified in the IEC 61755-3 series or IEC 63267-3 series		
^a Dimension <i>H</i> is given for plug endface when not mated. The ferrule is movable by a certain axial compression force, with direct contacting endfaces, and therefore dimension <i>H</i> is variable. Ferrule compression force shall be 7,8 N to 11,8 N when dimension <i>H</i> is 7,0 mm ± 0,1 mm. The compression force shall be measured according to IEC 61300-3-22.			
^b The delatch housing shall be movable to the right or left. Dimensions <i>L</i> , <i>M</i> and <i>V</i> are given when the delatch housing is at the furthest right. Dimension <i>M</i> shall be negative, when the delatch housing is at the furthest left.			
^c The right end of <i>M</i> shall be at the left of the mechanical datum target when the delatch housing is at the furthest left.			
^d Dome eccentricity of the spherical polished endface shall be less than 50 µm.			

Table 4 – Grade characteristics for simplex PC plug connector

Grade	Dimensions		Remarks
	mm		
	<i>A</i>		
	Minimum	Maximum	
A	See IEC 61755-3-1 Grade not specified at this time		a
B	See IEC 61755-3-1 Shall be as specified in the IEC 61755-3 series		a
C	See IEC 61755-3-1 Shall be as specified in the IEC 61755-3 series		a
D	See IEC 61755-3-1 Shall be as specified in the IEC 61755-3 series		a
A _m	Grade not specified at this time		a b
B _m	2,497	2,500	a b
	Shall be as specified in the IEC 63267-3 series		
C _m	2,494	2,500	a b
	Shall be as specified in the IEC 63267-3 series		
^a Add the grade number to the interface reference number. ^b Refer to future IEC 61755-6-1 for guidance⁴.			

Figure 2 is an example of a simplex adaptor connector interface. Table 5 gives dimensions of the simplex adaptor connector interface and Table 6 gives the grade of the simplex adaptor connector interface.

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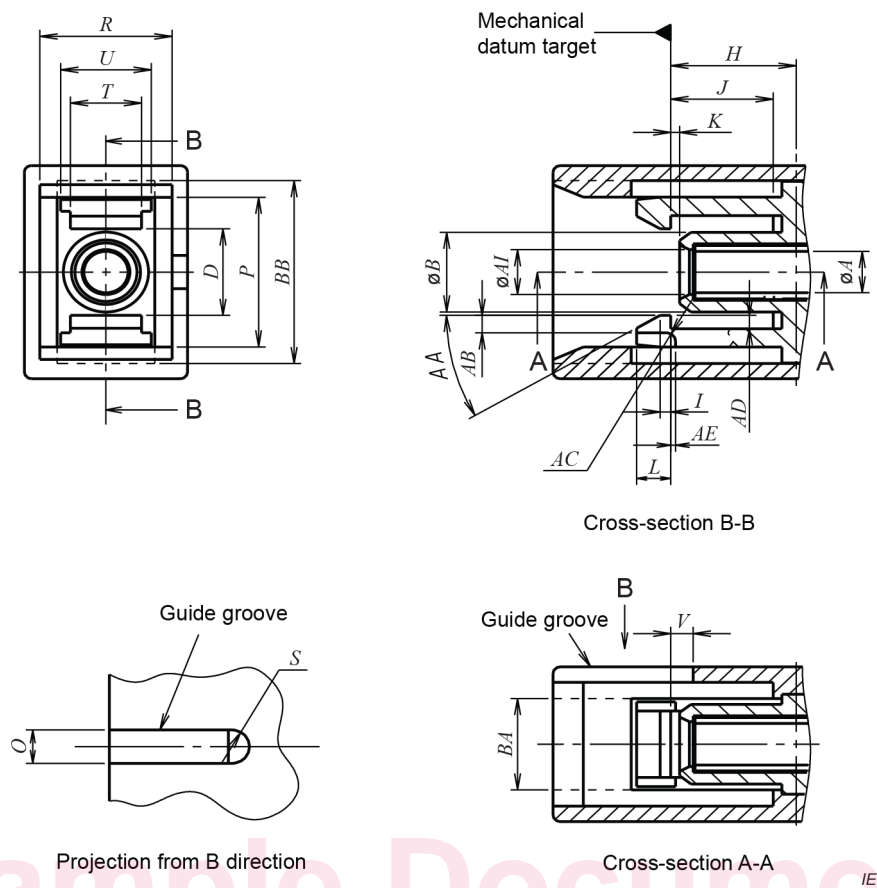


Figure 2 – Simplex adaptor connector interface

Table 5 – Dimensions of the simplex adaptor connector interface

Reference	Dimensions		Remarks
	Minimum	Maximum	
A	See Table 6		
B	4,39 mm	4,79 mm	
D	4,9 mm	5,5 mm	
H	6,9 mm	7,1 mm	
I	0,4 mm	0,8 mm	
J	5,51 mm	5,90 mm	
K	0,06 mm	1,00 mm	
L	1,9 mm	2,1 mm	
O	2,0 mm	2,2 mm	
P	9,0 mm	9,1 mm	
R	7,4 mm	7,5 mm	
S	1,0 mm	1,1 mm	Radius
T	3,80 mm	4,04 mm	
U	5,0 mm	5,3 mm	
V	0,6 mm	1,6 mm	
AA	27°	33°	Angle, unit in degrees
AB	0,8 mm	1,0 mm	
AC	0,4 mm	0,6 mm	Radius

Reference	Dimensions		Remarks
	Minimum	Maximum	
<i>AD</i>	0,7 mm	0,8 mm	
<i>AE</i>	0,4 mm	0,6 mm	
<i>AI</i>	2,7 mm	2,8 mm	
<i>BA</i>	5,4 mm	5,6 mm	a
<i>BB</i>	10,8 mm	11,2 mm	a

^a The dotted line structure in Figure 2 is a groove-shape preventing interference when the latch is deformed. It is optional.

Table 6 – Grade characteristics for simplex adaptor connector

Grade	Dimensions		Remarks
	mm		
	<i>A</i>		
	Minimum	Maximum	
a			Resilient sleeve ^{a b}

^a Add the grade number to the interface reference number.

^b The connector alignment feature is a resilient sleeve. The feature shall accept a pin gauge shown in Figure 3 to the centre of the adaptor with a force of 2 N to 5,9 N under the condition that another pin gauge is inserted into the feature from the other side. The centre of the adaptor is defined by the right side position of dimension *H*.

Figure 3 is an example of a pin gauge for adaptor. Table 7 gives pin gauge dimensions.

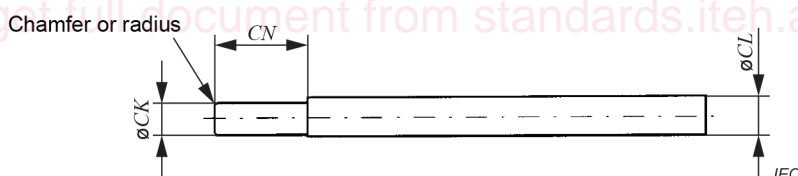


Figure 3 – Pin gauge for adaptor

Table 7 – Pin gauge dimensions

Reference	Dimensions		Remarks
	mm		
	Minimum	Maximum	
<i>CK</i>	2,498 5	2,499 5	Surface roughness: grade N4 (0,2 µm radius) Ra: ≤ 0,000 2
<i>CL</i>	2,8	4,8	
<i>CN</i>	7		

Figure 4 is an example of a duplex PC plug connector interface. Table 8 gives dimensions of the duplex PC plug connector interface and Table 9 gives the grade of the duplex PC plug connector interface.

A chamfer or radius is allowed to a maximum depth of 1,8 mm from the ferrule endface.

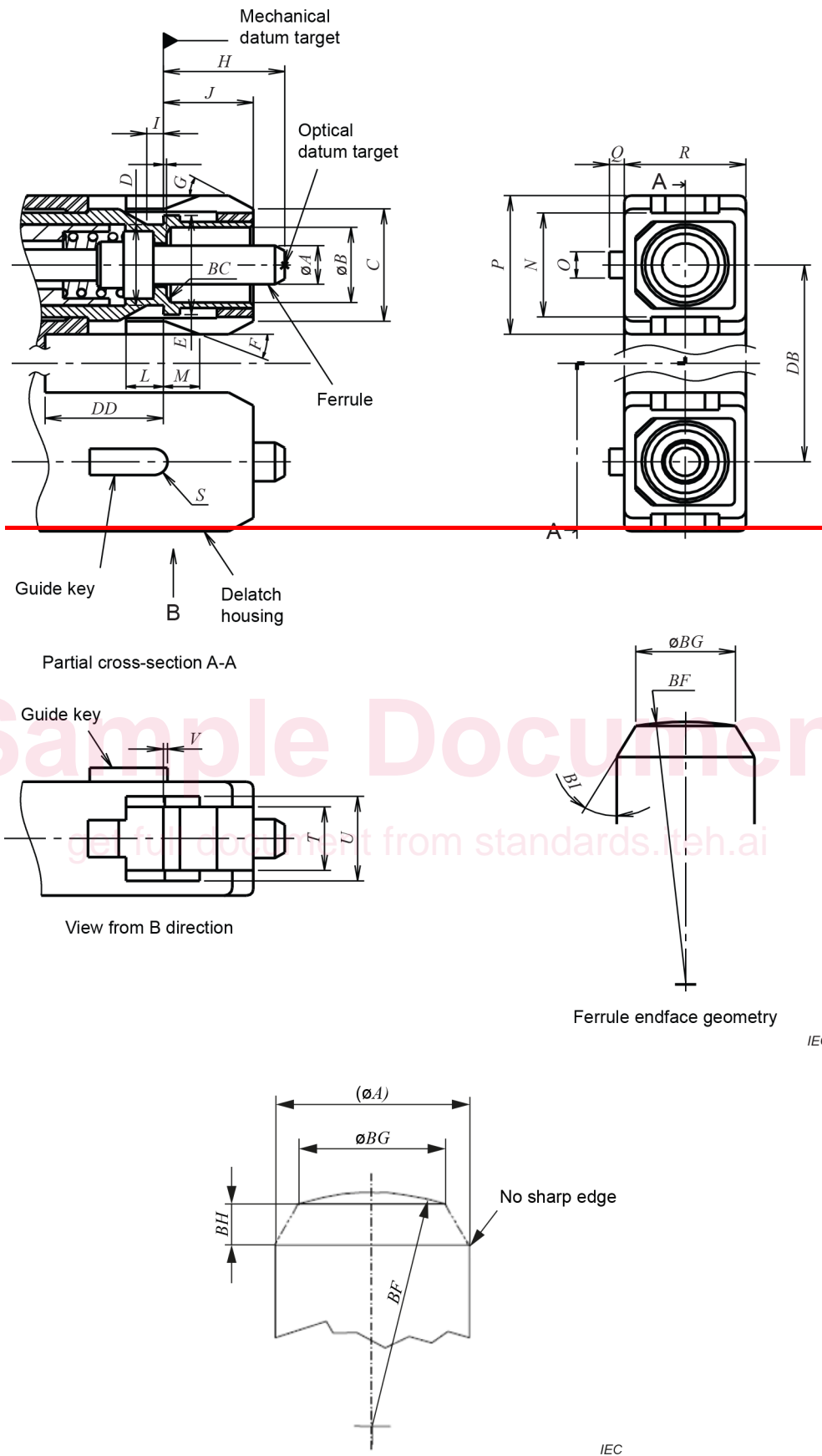


Figure 4 – Duplex PC plug connector interface

Table 8 – Dimensions of the duplex PC plug connector interface

Reference	Dimensions		Remarks
	Minimum	Maximum	
<i>A</i>	See Table 9		
<i>B</i>	4,8 mm	4,9 mm	
<i>C</i>	6,8 mm	7,4 mm	
<i>D</i>	4,9 mm	5,3 mm	
<i>E</i>	6,7 mm	6,8 mm	
<i>F</i>	19°	23°	Angle, unit in degrees
<i>G</i>	25°	35°	Angle, unit in degrees
<i>H</i>	7,15 mm	7,5 mm	a
<i>I</i>	0,8 mm	1,2 mm	
<i>J</i>	5,3 mm	5,5 mm	
<i>K</i>	–	0,05 mm	
<i>L</i>	2,11 mm	–	b
<i>M</i>	2,0 mm	2,8 mm	b c
<i>N</i>	6,6 mm	6,8 mm	
<i>O</i>	1,6 mm	1,8 mm	
<i>P</i>	8,79 mm	8,89 mm	d
<i>Q</i>	0,8 mm	1,0 mm	
<i>R</i>	7,29 mm	7,39 mm	
<i>S</i>	0,8 mm	0,9 mm	Radius
<i>T</i>	4,05 mm	4,15 mm	
<i>U</i>	5,4 mm	5,6 mm	
<i>V</i>	0 mm	0,5 mm	b
<i>BC</i>	0 mm	0,5 mm	Chamfer or round
<i>BF</i>	See IEC 61755-3-1 Shall be as specified in the IEC 61755-3 series or IEC 63267-3 series		Radius ^f
<i>BG</i>	See IEC 61755-3-1 Shall be as specified in the IEC 61755-3 series or IEC 63267-3 series		Diameter
<i>BI BH</i>	25°	35°	Angle, unit in degrees
	Shall be as specified in the IEC 61755-3 series or IEC 63267-3 series		
<i>DB</i>	12,65 mm	12,75 mm	e
<i>DD</i>	7 mm	35 mm	