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INTRODUCTION to Amendment

The purpose of this amendment is:

- to correct Clause 5 Procedure, 5.2 Dynamic test - clamped, list items d), and g); 5.3 Dynamic test - flexing, list items b) and e); and 5.4 Static test, list item b): to add "*maximum*" to the PIM level to be reported.

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1 Scope

This part of IEC 62037 defines test fixtures and procedures recommended for measuring levels of passive intermodulation generated by coaxial cables. Two dynamic test methods and a static test method are defined.

All coaxial cables are subjected to the static and clamped cable loop dynamic test.

Cables classified as flexible or semi-flexible are additionally subjected to the flexing tool dynamic test.

2 Normative references

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IEC 62037-1, *Passive r.f. and microwave devices, intermodulation level measurement – Part 1: General requirements and measuring methods*

IEC 62037-3, *Passive r.f. and microwave devices, intermodulation level measurement – Part 3: Measurement of passive intermodulation in coaxial connectors*

3 Abbreviations

DUT Device under test

IM Intermodulation

4 Test fixtures

For the dynamic tests, appropriate test fixtures are required. For the clamped cable loop test (see 5.2), a method shall be provided for laterally moving the cable and for clamping the cable each side of the region of movement, as shown schematically in Figure 1. Design of the clamps shall be such as to firmly support the cable at the required points without causing damage to the cable by crushing or kinking.

In the moving test using the flexing tool (see 5.3), the cable is flexed by a fixture through which the cable is threaded as shown in Figure 2. General design for the fixture is shown in Figure 2, and the detailed dimensions for different cable sizes (and different specified bend radii) are listed in Table 1 and Table 2.