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1 Scope

This part of IEC 60794-4, which is a family specification, covers optical telecommunication cables, commonly with single-mode fibres[1] ~~to be~~ used primarily in overhead power lines applications. The cables ~~may~~ can also be used in other overhead utility networks, such as for telephony or TV services. Requirements of the sectional specification IEC 60794-4 for aerial optical cables along electrical power lines are applicable to cables covered by this document.

This document covers the construction, mechanical, electrical, and optical performance, installation guidelines, acceptance criteria, test requirements, environmental considerations, and accessories compatibility for an all dielectric, self-supporting fibre optic (ADSS) cable. This document provides construction and performance requirements that ensure, within the guidelines of this document, that the required mechanical ~~capabilities~~ integrity of the cable components ~~and maintenance of optical fibre integrity and optical transmissions are proper~~ as well as optical fibre mechanical reliability and transmission parameters are maintained.

The ADSS cable consists of single mode optical fibres contained in one or more protective dielectric fibre optic units surrounded by or attached to suitable dielectric strength members and sheaths. The cable does not contain metallic components. An ADSS cable is designed to meet the optical and mechanical requirements under different ~~types of~~ installation, operating and environmental conditions and loadings, as described in Annex B.

This document excludes any "lashed" or "wrapped" OPAC cables included in IEC 60794-4. Figure 8 aerial cables are also excluded; they are specified in IEC 60794-3-20.

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~~IEC 60793-1-44, *Optical fibres – Part 1-44: Measurement methods and test procedures – Cut-off wavelength*~~

~~IEC 60793-1-48, *Optical fibres – Part 1-48: Measurement methods and test procedures – Polarization mode dispersion*~~

IEC 60793-2, *Optical fibres – Part 2: Product specifications – General*

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

IEC 60794-1-1, *Optical fibre cables – Part 1: Generic specification – General*

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~~IEC 60794-1-23, *Optical fibre cables – Part 1-23: Generic specification – Basic optical cable test procedures – Cable element test methods*~~

IEC 60794-4, *Optical fibre cables – Part 4: Sectional Specification – Aerial optical cables along electrical power lines*

~~IEC 61395, *Overhead electrical conductors – Creep test procedures for stranded conductors*~~

ISO 9001, *Quality management systems – Requirements*

~~[2] This document has been withdrawn, but can still be purchased, if necessary. Until IEC 60794-1-21 will be available, the tests stated in Clause 9 have to be taken from IEC 60794-1-2.~~

~~[3] This standard will be replaced by IEC 60794-1-21, *Optical fibre cables – Part 1-21: Generic specification – Basic optical cable test procedures – Mechanical test methods* (see also Bibliography), as soon as it will be available.~~

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