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INTRODUCTION

In order to restrict the test method of IEC 60793-1-54, *Optical fibres – Part 1-54: Measurement methods and test procedures – Gamma irradiation* to a clear, concise listing of instructions, the background knowledge that is necessary to perform correct, relevant and expressive irradiation tests as well as to limit measurement uncertainty is presented here separately as a "guidance document".

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1 Scope

This technical report gives a short summary of the radiation exposure in certain environments and applications and the different radiation effects on fibres. It also describes the most important radiation effect, i.e. the increase of transmission loss, and its strong dependence on a variety of fibre properties and test conditions. These dependencies need to be known in order to perform appropriate tests for each specific application as well as to understand, compare and qualify the test results obtained at different laboratories when performed according to IEC 60793-1-54, *Optical fibres – Part 1-54: Measurement methods and test procedures – Gamma irradiation.*

2 Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application 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 60793-1-40, *Optical fibres – Part 1- 40: Measurement methods and test procedures – Attenuation*

IEC 60793-1-46, *Optical fibres – Part 1-46: Measurement methods and test procedures – Monitoring of changes in optical transmittance*

IEC 60793-1-54, *Optical fibres – Part 1-54: Measurement methods and test procedures – Gamma irradiation*