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- a) Introduction of a revised naming convention which better matches with those found in ITU-T Recommendations G.652, G.653, G.654, G.655, G.656, and G.657. These changes are outlined in the scope of this document along with a cross reference table for the new names. Annexes have been rearranged to improve clarity based on the new naming;
- b) Further details on the requirements for 200 micron coated single-mode fibre;
- c) Harmonization with the following ITU-T Recommendations published in November 2016: G.652, G.654, G.657 including revised chromatic dispersion specifications, new categories and new application spaces for these fibre categories;

d) Descriptions of fibre types have been added to the titles of Annexes A to F.

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This part of IEC 60793 is applicable to optical fibre categories B-652, B-653, B-654, B-655, B-656 and B-657. A map illustrating the connection of IEC designations to ITU-T designations is shown in Table 1. These fibres are used or can be incorporated in information transmission equipment and optical fibre cables.

Three types of requirements apply to these fibres:

- general requirements, as defined in IEC 60793-2;
- specific requirements common to the class B single-mode fibres covered in this document and which are given in Clause 5;
- particular requirements applicable to individual fibre categories or specific applications, which are defined in Annexes A to F.

For some fibre categories (shown in the relevant family specifications), there are sub-categories that are distinguished on the basis of difference in transmission attribute specifications. The designations for these sub-categories are documented in the individual family specifications.

Table 1 shows a map from the IEC designations to the ITU-T recommendations. The table also provides the normative annex in this document that contains the detailed specification as well as the name used to describe this fibre type in IEC 60793-2-50:2015. The ITU-T recommendations as well as the IEC categories/sub-categories within each recommendation are given. In some cases, as for Recommendation G.652, a given IEC designation maps to multiple categories in the ITU-T because the ITU-T categories are distinguished by cabled fibre attribute ( $PMD_Q$ ) performance which are not distinguished in the IEC fibre specifications.