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This document partially cancels and replaces IEC 60794-1-22:2017. This edition constitutes a technical revision.

This edition includes the following significant technical changes with respect to IEC 60794-1-22:2017:

- a) the ambient temperature test condition has been defined as per IEC 60794-1-2;
- b) all the maximum allowable attenuation increase values for single-mode and multimode fibres have been deleted, and have been included in the list of details to be specified.

The text of this International Standard is based on the following documents:

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The language used for the development of this International Standard is English.

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- reconfirmed,
- withdrawn, or
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INTRODUCTION

This document cancels and replaces method F9 of IEC 60794-1-22:2017, which will be withdrawn. It includes an editorial revision, based on the new structure and numbering system for optical fibre cable test methods. Additionally, technical changes were implemented. The environmental tests contained in IEC 60794-1-22:2017 will be individually numbered in the IEC 60794-1-2xx series. Each test method is now considered to be an individual document rather than part of a multi-test method compendium. Full cross-reference details are given in IEC 60794-1-2.

The numbering of this test method continues the F-series numbering sequence of IEC 60794-1-22:2017.

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1 Scope

This part of IEC 60794-1 defines test procedures to be used in establishing uniform requirements for the environmental performance of:

- optical fibre cables for use with telecommunication equipment and devices employing similar techniques; and
- cables having a combination of both optical fibres and electrical conductors.

Throughout this document, the wording "optical cable" can also include optical fibre units, microduct fibre units, etc.

This document defines a test standard to determine cable ageing performance by high temperature exposure and temperature cycling in order to simulate lifetime behaviour of the attenuation of cables, or physical attributes.

See IEC 60794-1-2 for a reference guide to test methods of all types and for general requirements and definitions.

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 60304, *Standard colour for insulation for low-frequency cables and wires*

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

IEC 60794-1-2, *Optical fibre cables – Part 1-2: Generic specification – Basic optical cable test procedures – General guidance*

IEC 60794-1-201, *Optical fibre cables – Part 1-201: Generic specification – Basic optical cable test procedures – Environmental test methods – Temperature cycling, method F1*

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