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This document partially cancels and replaces method G11B of IEC 60794-1-23:2019.

This edition includes the following significant technical changes with respect to IEC 60794-1-23:2019:

- alignment of the title with the content of the method.

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## INTRODUCTION

This document contains method G11B of IEC 60794-1-23:2019, which will be withdrawn. The title of the test method G11B and the content were not in line with each other. In the title micro tubes are mentioned, but the text stated that the test is intended for buffer tubes circular cross-section having an external diameter greater than 12,5 mm and for sector-shaped cores large enough to prepare dumb-bells. In the new title, micro tubes are skipped with respect to IEC 60794-1-23:2019.

The system for optical fibre test methods have been restructured and renumbered. The optical cable element test methods contained in IEC 60794-1-23:2019 will now be individually numbered in the IEC 60794-1-3xx 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.

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## OPTICAL FIBRE CABLES –

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#### 1 Scope

This part of IEC 60794 describes test procedures to be used in establishing uniform requirements of optical fibre cable elements for the mechanical property – tensile strength and elongation at low temperature.

This document applies to optical fibre cables for use with telecommunication equipment and devices employing similar techniques, and to cables having a combination of optical fibres and electrical conductors.

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

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