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This edition includes the following significant technical changes with respect to the previous edition:

- a) title was changed from: RF power rating to: RF average power rating;
- b) a test method to determine sufficient duration is included as Annex A;
- c) the equations used for calculating cable coefficients and RF average power rating are corrected;
- d) the clauses and subclauses are rearranged.

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

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Full information on the voting for the approval of this International Standard can be found in the report on voting indicated in the above table.

This document has been drafted in accordance with the ISO/IEC Directives, Part 2.

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### Part 1-119: Electrical test methods – RF average power rating

#### 1 Scope

This part of IEC 61196 defines the requirements to determine the average power handling capability of a coaxial cable at specified frequencies at ambient temperatures.

#### 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 61196-1, *Coaxial communication cables – Part 1: Generic specification – General, definitions and requirements*

IEC 61196-1-113, *Coaxial communication cables – Part 1-113: Electrical test methods – Test for attenuation constant*

#### 3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in IEC 61196-1 and the following apply.

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##### 3.1

##### **RF average power rating**

maximum average input power that a cable can continuously handle when terminated in its characteristic impedance at a reference ambient temperature (usually 40 °C) and RF frequency

Note 1 to entry: RF average power rating is determined by the power level at which the temperature at any location in the cable does not exceed the allowable maximum temperature rating of the materials used in the cable's construction.

Note 2 to entry: Typically, the inner conductor temperature determines the maximum operating temperature.

Note 3 to entry: The test RF signal is a pure sinusoidal, without any modulation.

#### 4 Symbols

For the purposes of this document, the following symbols apply.

$K_i$  thermal constant of the insulation (W/(°C·m))

$K_o$  thermal constant of outer sheath (W/(°C·m))