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**(2001 Volts to 5001 Volts)**

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Power Cable - 2001 Volts to 5000 Volts

## 1. Scope

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This Practice describes the minimum technical requirements for design, material, construction, inspection, testing, purchase, and shipping of single and multiple conductor solid dielectric, insulated, nonshielded copper cable rated at 2001 volts to 5000 volts.

## 2. References

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Applicable parts of the following Practices and industry codes and standards shall be considered an integral part of this Practice. The latest edition in effect on the date of contract award shall be used, except as otherwise noted. Short titles are used herein where appropriate.

### Industry Codes and Standards

- American Society for Testing Materials (ASTM)
  - ASTM B3 - *Standard Specification for Soft or Annealed Copper Wire*
  - ASTM B8 - *Standard Specification for Concentric-Lay-Stranded Copper Conductors, Hard, Medium-Hard, or Soft*
  - ASTM B496 - *Standard Specification for Compact Round Concentric-Lay-Stranded Copper Conductors*
- Canadian Standards Association (CSA)
  - C22.2 No. 131 – *Type TECK 90 Cable*
  - C22.2 No. 174 – *Cables and Cable Glands for Use in Hazardous Locations*
- Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE)
  - IEEE 1202 - *Flame-Propagation Testing of Wire and Cable*
- Insulated Cable Engineers Association (ICEA)
  - ICEA S-96-659 (NEMA WC 71) - *Standard for Nonshielded Cables Rated 2001-5000 Volts for Use in the Distribution of Electrical Energy*
- National Electrical Manufacturers Association (NEMA)
  - NEMA WC 26 - *National Wire and Cable Packaging Standard*
- National Fire Protection Association (NFPA)
  - NFPA 70 - *National Electrical Code (NEC)*
- Underwriters Laboratories
  - UL 1072 - *Standard for Safety Medium-Voltage Power Cables*
  - UL 1569 - *Metal-Clad Cables*
  - UL 2225 - *Cables and Cable-Fittings for Use in Hazardous (Classified) Locations*

## 3. Definitions

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*purchaser*: Party who awards the contract to the supplier. The purchaser may be the owner or the owner's authorized agent.

*supplier*: Party responsible for providing the nonshielded power cables