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Introduction

The railway industry is generally concerned with the movement of people as well as goods. It is therefore essential that a high level of safety is achieved, even when failures occur which may involve fire, howsoever caused, affecting railway rolling stock.

Hence it is necessary to provide cables for use in railway environments which minimise the hazard to people when a fire may damage the cable, irrespective of whether the fire is caused by an external source or from within the electrical system.

The EN 50264 series specifies cables for power, control and associated circuits which, in the event of fire, will limit the risk to people and improve the safety on railways in general. It covers sheathed and unsheathed cables with insulation and sheath based on halogen free materials, for use in railway rolling stock. In the event of a fire affecting cables to EN 50264 they will have a limited flame spread and limited emission of toxic gases. In addition these cables when burnt, produce limited amounts of smoke. This last characteristic will minimise loss of visibility in the event of a fire and will aid reduced evacuation times.

The objects of this standard are

- to standardise cables that are safe and reliable when properly used,
- to state the characteristics, performance, and construction requirements directly or indirectly bearing on safety,
- to specify methods for checking conformity with these requirements.

EN 50264, which covers a range of cables rated at up to 3,6/6 kV with conductor sizes 1,0 mm² up to 400 mm², is divided into 5 parts under the generic title *“Railway applications - Railway rolling stock power and control cables having special fire performance”*.

- Part 1 General requirements;
- Part 2-1 Cables with crosslinked elastomeric insulation – Single core cables;
- Part 2-2 Cables with crosslinked elastomeric insulation – Multicore cables;
- Part 3-1 Cables with crosslinked elastomeric insulation with reduced dimensions – Single core cables;
- Part 3-2 Cables with crosslinked elastomeric insulation with reduced dimensions – Multicore cables.

These cables are intended for a limited number of applications. Further information on these applications is given in the guide to use, i.e. EN 50355.

Information regarding selection and installation of cables, including current ratings can be found in EN 50355 and EN 50343. The procedure for selection of cable cross-sectional area, including reduction factors for ambient temperature and installation type, is described in EN 50343.

Special test methods referred to in EN 50264 are given in EN 50305.

A separate European Standard, EN 50306 (series), covers cables for similar applications but with thinner wall thickness of both insulation and sheath, leading to reduced overall cable diameters. These cables are restricted to 300 V rating and a maximum conductor size of 2,5 mm². A separate European Standard, EN 50382 (series), covers high temperature cables. The range of cables covered is rated at up to 3,6/6 kV with conductor sizes 1,5 mm² to 400 mm².

1 Scope

EN 50264-1 specifies the general requirements applicable to the cables given in all other parts of EN 50264. It includes the detailed requirements for the insulating and sheathing materials and other components called up in the separate parts. In particular EN 50264-1 specifies those requirements relating to fire safety.

Based on proven experience and reliability over many years these cables are rated for occasional thermal stresses causing ageing equivalent to continuous operational life at a conductor temperature of 90 °C.

NOTE This rating is based upon the polymers defined in 3.1 and 3.2. Before these polymers had gained widespread acceptance in the cable industry, ageing performance had been assessed via long-term thermal endurance testing and had been extrapolated to 20 000 h using techniques equivalent to those in EN 60216 (series). Subsequent experience in service has demonstrated that the predicted performance levels were correct. Where extrapolated data is used to predict lifetime in service it should be confirmed with the cable manufacturer, and should be on the basis of a failure mode appropriate to the type of material or cable.

The maximum conductor temperature for short circuit conditions is 200 °C based on a duration of 5 s.

This Part 1 should be read in conjunction with the other parts of EN 50264.

2 Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application 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.

EN 10002-1	Metallic materials – Tensile testing – Methods of test at ambient temperature
EN 50264-2-1	Railway applications – Railway rolling stock power and control cables having special fire performance – Part 2-1: Cables with crosslinked elastomeric insulation – Single core cables
EN 50264-2-2	Railway applications - Railway rolling stock power and control cables having special fire performance – Part 2-2: Cables with crosslinked elastomeric insulation – Multicore cables
EN 50264-3-1	Railway applications - Railway rolling stock power and control cables having special fire performance – Part 3-1: Cables with crosslinked elastomeric insulation with reduced dimensions – Single core cables
EN 50264-3-2	Railway applications - Railway rolling stock power and control cables having special fire performance – Part 3-2: Cables with crosslinked elastomeric insulation with reduced dimensions – Multicore cables
EN 50266-2-4	Common test methods for cables under fire conditions – Test for vertical flame spread of vertically-mounted bunched wires or cables – Part 2-4: Procedures – Category C
EN 50266-2-5	Common test methods for cables under fire conditions – Test for vertical flame spread of vertically-mounted bunched wires or cables – Part 2-5: Procedures – Small cables – Category D
EN 50267-2-1	Common test methods for cables under fire conditions – Tests on gasses evolved during combustion of materials from cables – Part 2-1: Procedures – Determination of the amount of halogen acid gas
EN 50267-2-2	Common test methods for cables under fire conditions – Tests on gases evolved during combustion of materials from cables – Part 2-2: Procedures – Determination of degree of acidity of gases for materials by measuring pH and conductivity

EN 50305:2002	Railway applications – Railway rolling stock cables having special fire performance – Test methods
EN 60228	Conductors of insulated cables (IEC 60228)
EN 60332-1-2	Tests on electric and optical fibre cables under fire conditions – Part 1-2: Test for vertical flame propagation for a single insulated wire or cable – Procedure for 1 kW pre-mixed flame (IEC 60332-1-2)
EN 60684-2	Flexible insulating sleeving – Part 2: Methods of test (IEC 60684-2)
EN 60811-1-1:1995	Insulating and sheathing materials of electric and optical cables – Common test methods – Part 1-1: General application – Measurement of thickness and overall dimensions – Tests for determining the mechanical properties (IEC 60811-1-1:1993)
EN 60811-1-2:1995	Insulating and sheathing materials of electric cables – Common test methods – Part 1-2: General application – Thermal ageing methods (IEC 60811-1-2:1985 + A1:1989 + corr. May 1986)
EN 60811-1-3:1995	Insulating and sheathing materials of electric and optical cables – Common test methods – Part 1-3: General application – Methods for determining the density – Water absorption tests – Shrinkage test (IEC 60811-1-3:1993)
EN 60811-1-4:1995	Insulating and sheathing materials of electric and optical cables – Common test methods – Part 1-4: General application – Tests at low temperature (IEC 60811-1-4:1985 + A1:1993 + corr. May 1986)
EN 60811-2-1:1998	Insulating and sheathing materials of electric and optical cables – Common test methods – Part 2-1: Methods specific to elastomeric compounds – Ozone resistance, hot set and mineral oil immersion tests (IEC 60811-2-1:1998)
EN 61034-2	Measurement of smoke density of cables burning under defined conditions – Part 2: Procedure and requirements (IEC 61034-2)

3 Definitions

For the purposes of all parts of EN 50264, the following terms and definitions apply.

The types or combination of insulating and sheathing compounds covered in this EN are listed below.

3.1

cross-linked ethylene propylene rubber (EPR)

compound based on ethylene propylene rubber or similar (EPM or EPDM) which when cross-linked complies with the requirements given in the particular specification

3.2

cross-linked ethylene copolymers

compound in which the characteristic constituent is a copolymer of ethylene such as EVA or other, which, when cross-linked, complies with the requirements given in the particular specification

3.3

type of compound

category, designated by one or several characteristics, in which a compound is placed according to its properties, as determined by specific tests

NOTE The type designation is not directly related to the composition of the compound. See also 6.2.1 and 6.6.1.

3.4

halogen-free material

combustible material which complies with the requirements of Annex A

3.5

variation

difference between the median value after ageing and the median value without ageing, expressed as a percentage of the latter

3.6

type tests (symbol T)

tests required to be made before supplying a type of cable covered by this standard on a general commercial basis in order to demonstrate satisfactory performance characteristics to meet the intended application

NOTE These tests are of such a nature that, after they have been made, they need not be repeated unless changes are made in the cable materials, design or type of manufacturing process which might change the performance characteristics

3.7

sample tests (symbol S)

tests made on samples of completed cable, or components taken from a completed cable adequate to verify that the finished product meets the design specification

3.8

routine tests (symbol R)

tests made on all complete cable lengths to demonstrate their integrity

4 Rated voltage

The rated voltage of a cable is the reference voltage for which the cable is designed, and which serves to define the electrical tests.

The rated voltage is expressed by the combination of the following values (in volts):

$$U_0/U(U_m)$$

where

U_0 is the r.m.s. value between any insulated conductor and earth, i.e. metal covering of the cable or the surrounding medium, e.g. $U_0 = 600$ V;

U is the r.m.s. value between any two phase-conductors of a multicore cable or of a system of single-core cables, e.g. $U = 1\,000$ V;

U_m is the maximum r.m.s. value of the "highest system voltage" for which the equipment may be used, e.g. $U_m = 1\,200$ V.

In an alternating current system, the rated voltage of a cable shall be at least equal to the nominal voltage of the system for which it is intended.

In a direct current system, the cables shall have a maximum voltage against earth (V_0) not exceeding 1,5 times the rated voltage (U_0) of the cable, where:

V_0 is the d.c. value between any insulated conductor and earth, i.e. metal covering of the cable or the surrounding medium, e.g. $V_0 = 900$ V.

The rated voltage recognized for the purposes of all parts of EN 50264 shall be as given in Table 1.

NOTE In the Railway Industry it is common practice to identify cables and systems by the value of U_o , not the more usual normal practice of U .

Table 1 – Rated voltages

Rated voltage V			
U_o	U	U_m	V_o
300 ^a	500 ^a	600 ^a	450 ^a
600	1 000	1 200	900
1 800	3 000	3 600	2 700
3 600	6 000	7 200	5 400
^a Multicore cables only.			
NOTE See Guide to use, EN 50355, for further information.			

5 Marking

5.1 Indication of origin

Cables shall be provided with an identification of origin consisting of the continuous marking of either manufacturer's name or trademark or registered identification number, by one of the following methods:

- 1) a printed tape within the cable;
- 2) printing, indenting or embossing on the outer surface of sheathed cable;
- 3) printing on the outer surface of single core cables;
- 4) printing on the insulation of at least one core.

5.2 Code designation

The code designation is specified in the particular product EN.

5.3 Continuity of marks

Each specified mark shall be regarded as continuous if the distance between the end of the mark and the beginning of the next identical mark does not exceed

- a) 550 mm if the marking is on the outer surface of the cable,
- b) 275 mm if the marking is on the insulation or on a tape.

NOTE 1 A "specified mark" is any mandatory mark covered by this part of EN 50264 or by the particular requirements of Parts 2-1, 2-2, 3-1 and 3-2.

NOTE 2 An example of marking on the outer surface of the cable is given in Figure 1.

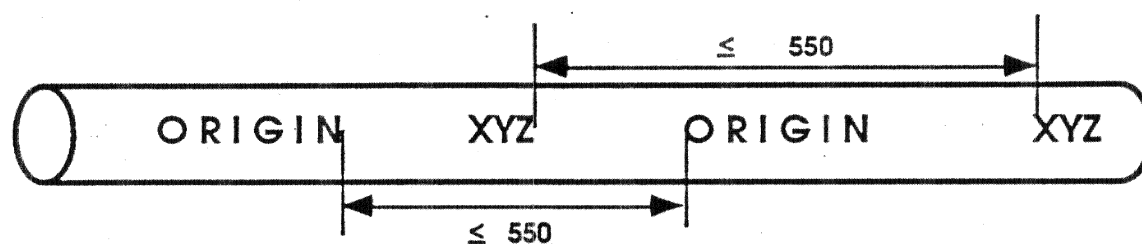


Figure 1 – Example of marking

Conformity shall be checked by visual examination and measurement.

5.4 Durability

Printed markings shall be durable. Compliance shall be checked by the test given in EN 50305, 10.1.

5.5 Legibility

All markings shall be legible.

Printed markings shall be in contrasting colours.

5.6 Use of the name CENELEC

The name CENELEC, in full or abbreviated, shall not be marked on, or in, the cables.

6 General requirements for the construction of cables

6.1 Conductors

6.1.1 Material

The conductors shall be tin-coated annealed copper.

When tested in accordance with EN 10002-1 the minimum average elongation of the wires from the conductors shall be 15 %, with a minimum value of 10 % for an individual wire.

6.1.2 Construction

Conductors shall be in accordance with EN 60228.

NOTE The class of the conductor relevant to the various types of cable is given in EN 50264-2-1, EN 50264-2-2, EN 50264-3-1 and EN 50264-3-2.

6.1.3 Check of construction

Conformity with the requirements of 6.1.1 and 6.1.2 shall be checked by inspection and by measurement.

6.1.4 Electrical resistance

The resistance of each conductor at 20 °C shall be in accordance with the requirements of EN 60228 for the given class of conductor.

Compliance shall be checked by the test given in EN 50305, 6.1.

6.1.5 Separator tape

A non-hygroscopic separator tape of coloured material may be placed between the conductor and insulation. If used, the separator tape shall be easily removable from the conductor.

6.1.6 Conductor screening

Where specified in EN 50264-2-1 or EN 50264-3-1 the conductor screening shall consist of either a semi-conducting tape, or a layer of extruded semi-conducting compound, or a combination of both.

It shall be easily removable from the conductor.

6.2 Insulation system

6.2.1 Material

The insulation system shall be manufactured from materials as defined in either 3.1 or 3.2 of this part, or a combination of both. It shall conform to the requirements given in Table 2a or Table 2b and as specified below:

In Table 2a for Part 2-1 and Part 2-2 cables:

EI 101	low temperature resistant, oil resistant;
EI 102	extra low temperature resistant, oil resistant;
EI 103	low temperature resistant, extra oil and fuel resistant;
EI 104	extra low temperature resistant, extra oil and fuel resistant;
EI 105	extra low temperature resistant, non oil resistant.

In Table 2b for Part 3-1 and Part 3-2 cables:

EI 106	low temperature resistant, oil resistant;
EI 107	extra low temperature resistant, oil resistant;
EI 108	low temperature resistant, extra oil and fuel resistant;
EI 109	extra low temperature resistant, extra oil and fuel resistant;
EI 110	extra low temperature resistant, non oil resistant.

NOTE EI 105 and EI 110 are not fuel or acid/alkali resistant.

6.2.2 Multilayer insulation system

It is permitted to use types EI 105 and EI 110 as the inner layer of a multilayer insulation system, and types EI 101 to EI 104 and EI 106 to EI 109 as the outer layer of an insulation system. In the case of multilayer insulation systems, test pieces required for mechanical and related tests shall be prepared as given in Annex C.

6.2.3 Application

The insulation system shall be applied by extrusion and may consist of one or more closely adherent layers. The insulation system shall form a compact and homogeneous body and shall be so applied that it fits closely on the conductor or over the separator tape or over the conductor screening and it shall be possible to remove the insulation system without damage to the tinned conductor.

The insulation system shall be smooth, uniformly applied and substantially circular.

Conformity shall be checked by inspection and by manual testing.

6.2.4 Thickness

The mean value of the thickness of insulation shall not be less than the specified value for each type and size of cable as specified in EN 50264-2-1, EN 50264-2-2, EN 50264-3-1 and EN 50264-3-2.

It is permissible for the thickness at any one place to be less than the specified value provided that the difference does not exceed 0,1 mm + 10 % of the specified value.

Conformity shall be checked by the procedure given in Annex D.

6.3 Fillers, tapes and inner coverings

6.3.1 General

Tapes may be applied as a separator over the insulation of an individual core or as a binder over the assembly of cores.

Inner coverings may be applied over binders or laid up cores to make a circular assembly for screen applications.

In such cases the requirements in 6.3.2 and 6.3.3 shall apply.

6.3.2 Material

The fillers, tapes and inner coverings, if any, shall be composed of non-hygroscopic material having no harmful interactions with the constituents of the cable, suitable for the operating temperature and compatible with the cable components with which they are in contact.

Conformity with this requirement shall be checked by the tests given in the particular specification.

All non-metallic components shall fulfil the requirements of Clause 9 and Table 3.

6.3.3 Application

Where specified the fillers shall be applied either separately or as part of the sheath to form a compact and reasonably circular cable. It shall be possible to remove the sheath and fillers, if any, from the cable without damaging the insulation of cores.

Conformity shall be checked by visual examination and manual test.

6.4 Metallic screen

Where a metallic screening braid is specified it shall consist of tin coated, annealed copper wires. There shall be no more than one splice in any spindle of the braid over any 10 cm length of the braid. The braid shall be applied evenly, it should neither slip nor leave a permanent imprint in the insulation.

The filling factor K_r shall be according to the formula:

$$K_r = \frac{m \cdot n \cdot d}{2\pi\phi} \cdot \left[1 + \frac{\pi^2 \phi^2}{L^2} \right]^{0.5}$$

The diameters of the wires of the braid shall be a minimum of 0,12 mm diameter such that the filling factor is 0,55 minimum.

The lay angle (the angle of a braid wire and the centreline of the core) shall be between 15° and 35°.

$$1,072 < \left[1 + \frac{\pi^2 \phi^2}{L^2} \right] \leq 1,490$$

where

- ϕ = diameter of the core under the braid + 2d;
- d = nominal diameter of a wire;
- m = total number of bundles;
- n = number of wires per bundle;
- L = braiding pitch.

When required the percentage optical coverage (T_{ic}) shall be calculated according to the formula:

$$T_{ic} = 100 \times \left[1 - (1 - K_r)^2 \right] \%$$

6.5 Sheath

6.5.1 Material

The material of the sheath shall consist of cross-linked ethylene copolymers. It shall conform to the requirements given in Table 4 and as specified for each type of cable in EN 50264-2-1, EN 50264-2-2, EN 50264-3-1 and EN 50264-3-2.

Sheath types available are

- EM 101 low temperature resistant, oil resistant,
- EM 102 extra low temperature resistant, oil resistant,
- EM 103 low temperature resistant, extra oil and fuel resistant,
- EM 104 extra low temperature resistant, extra oil and fuel resistant.

6.5.2 Application

The sheath shall be applied by extrusion in one or more closely adherent layers of the same type.

The sheath shall form a compact, homogeneous body and shall be so applied that it fits closely over the cores, metallic screen or separator tape. It shall be smooth on the outer surface, uniform without blisters, lumps or other defects and shall not adhere to the cores or metallic screen.

It shall be possible to remove the sheath without damage to the insulation or metallic screen, if any.

NOTE A separator, consisting of a tape, may be placed beneath the sheath.

Conformity shall be checked by inspection and by manual testing.

6.5.3 Thickness

The mean value of the thickness of the sheath shall not be less than the specified value for each type and size of cable as given in EN 50264-2-1, EN 50264-2-2, EN 50264-3-1 or EN 50264-3-2.

It is permissible for the thickness at any one place to be less than the specified value provided that the difference does not exceed 0,1 mm + 15 % of the specified value.

Conformity shall be checked by the test given in Annex D.

6.6 Overall diameter

The overall diameter of the cable shall be as detailed in the particular specification for each type and size of cable shown in the relevant table.

The overall diameter shall be within the limits given for the particular cable.

Conformity shall be checked by the test given in Annex D.

7 Electrical performance

The electrical performance of the completed cable shall be as given in the relevant part of EN 50264.

8 Reaction to fire – Cables

8.1 Flame propagation (flame spread) – Single vertical cable

The completed cable shall be tested in accordance with EN 60332-1-2, and shall conform to the recommended performance requirements given in Annex A of that standard.

8.2 Flame propagation (flame spread) – Bunched cables

8.2.1 Cables with diameter more than or equal to 12 mm

The completed cable shall be tested in accordance with EN 50266-2-4, and shall conform to the recommended performance requirements given in Annex B of that standard.

8.2.2 Cables with diameter greater than 6 mm and less than 12 mm

The completed cable shall be tested in accordance with EN 50266-2-5.

At the conclusion of the test the maximum extent of the charred portion measured on the sample shall not have reached a height exceeding 2,5 m above the bottom edge of the burner, neither at the front nor the rear of the ladder.

8.2.3 Cables with diameter not greater than 6 mm

The completed cable shall be tested in accordance with EN 50305, 9.1.2.

At the conclusion of the test the maximum extent of the charred portion measured on the sample shall not have reached a height exceeding 1,5 m above the bottom edge of the burner, neither at the front nor the rear of the ladder.

8.3 Smoke emission

The completed cable shall be tested in accordance with EN 61034-2.

The percentage light transmission shall not be less than 70 %.

9 Reaction to fire – Components

9.1 Assessment of halogens

Samples of insulation, sheath and, where applicable fillers and tapes, shall be tested in accordance with Annex A.

The maximum evolution of HCl, minimum pH, maximum conductivity and maximum fluorine content shall be in accordance with the requirements given in Annex A as applicable.

9.2 Toxicity

All cable materials shall be tested in accordance with EN 50305, 9.2. The toxicity index shall not exceed 3.

If the toxicity index of any of the non extruded elements is higher than 3 and the combined mass of these elements (fillers, tapes and binders) does not exceed 5 % of the total weight of combustible materials in the cable, then the whole cable shall not exceed the weighted toxicity (ITC') of 3.

The weighted toxicity index is defined as:

$$ITC' = \frac{\sum_i ITC_i \times w_i}{\sum_i w_i}$$

where

ITC_i :	ITC of each extruded or non extruded non metallic material;
w_i :	weight of the extruded or non extruded non metallic material per meter;
i :	all extruded and non- extruded non-metallic materials;
ITC' :	weighted toxicity of the whole cable per meter.

NOTE By agreement between the manufacturer and purchaser the ITC value of semi-conducting layers or tapes is not taken into account for ITC calculation.

**Table 2a – Requirements for the tests for halogen free insulating compounds
for Part 2-1 and Part 2-2**

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Ref No.	Test	Unit	Type of compound					Test method described in ^a	
			EI 101	EI 102	EI 103	EI 104	EI 105	EN	Clause
	Operating temperature	°C	90	90	90	90	90		
1	Mechanical properties								
1.1	Properties in the state as delivered							60811-1-1	9.1
1.1.1	Values to be obtained for tensile strength: - median min.	MPa	8,0	8,0	8,0	8,0	5,0		
1.1.2	Values to be obtained for the elongation at break: - median min.	%	125	125	125	125	200		
1.2	Properties after ageing in air oven							60811-1-2	8.1.3.2
1.2.1	Ageing conditions: - temperature - duration of treatment	°C h	120 ± 2 240	120 ± 2 240	120 ± 2 240	120 ± 2 240	120 ± 2 240		
1.2.2	Values to be obtained for the tensile strength: - variation max.	%	± 30	± 30	± 30	± 30	± 30		
1.2.3	Values to be obtained for the elongation at break: - variation max.	%	± 30	± 30	± 30	± 30	± 30		
2	Hot set test							60811-2-1	9
2.1	Conditions of treatment: - temperature - time under load - mechanical stress	°C min N/cm ²	200 ± 3 15 20	200 ± 3 15 20	200 ± 3 15 20	200 ± 3 15 20	200 ± 3 15 20		
2.2	Test requirements: - max. elongation under load - max. elongation after unloading	% %	100 25	100 25	100 25	100 25	100 25		
3	Ozone resistance							50305	7.4.2
3.1	Concentration Method A	%	(250-300) x 10 ⁻⁴	(250-300) x 10 ⁻⁴	(250-300) x 10 ⁻⁴	(250-300) x 10 ⁻⁴	(250-300) x 10 ⁻⁴		
	Method B (alternative)	%	(200 ± 50) x 10 ⁻⁶	(200 ± 50) x 10 ⁻⁶	(200 ± 50) x 10 ⁻⁶	(200 ± 50) x 10 ⁻⁶	(200 ± 50) x 10 ⁻⁶		
3.2	Test temperature Method A	°C	25 ± 2	25 ± 2	25 ± 2	25 ± 2	25 ± 2		
	Method B	°C	40 ± 2	40 ± 2	40 ± 2	40 ± 2	40 ± 2		
3.3	Test duration Method A	h	24	24	24	24	24		
	Method B	h	72	72	72	72	72		
3.4	Results to be obtained		no cracks	no cracks	no cracks	no cracks	no cracks		

**Table 2a – Requirements for the tests for halogen free insulating compounds
for Part 2-1 and Part 2-2 (continued)**

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Ref No.	Test	Unit	Type of compound					Test method described in ^a	
			EI 101	EI 102	EI 103	EI 104	EI 105	EN	Clause
4	Mineral oil resistance						N.A.	60811-2-1	10
4.1	Treatment: - type of oil: IRM902 - temperature: - duration:	°C h	100 ± 2 24	100 ± 2 24	100 ± 2 72	100 ± 2 72			
4.2	Tensile strength: Variation max.	%	± 30	± 30	± 30	± 30			
4.3	Elongation at break: Variation max.	%	± 40	± 40	± 40	± 40			
5	Fuel resistance		N.A.	N.A.			N.A.	60811-2-1	10
5.1	Treatment: - type of liquid: IRM903 - temperature: - duration:	°C h			70 ± 2 168	70 ± 2 168			
5.2	Tensile strength: Variation max.	%			± 30	± 30			
5.3	Elongation at break: Variation max.	%			± 40	± 40			
6	Bending test at low temperature ^b							60811-1-4	8.1
6.1	Treatment: Temperature	°C	-25 ± 2	-40 ± 2	-25 ± 2	-40 ± 2	-40 ± 2		
6.2	Result to be obtained		no cracks	no cracks	no cracks	no cracks	no cracks		
7	Elongation test at low temperature ^c							60811-1-4	8.3
7.1	Treatment: Temperature	°C	-25 ± 2	-40 ± 2	-25 ± 2	-40 ± 2	-40 ± 2		
7.2	Elongation min.	%	30	30	30	30	30		
8	Assessment of halogens								
8.1	pH min.		4,3	4,3	4,3	4,3	4,3	50267-2-2	
8.2	Conductivity max.	µS/mm	10,0	10,0	10,0	10,0	10,0	50267-2-2	
8.3	Amount of halogen: acid gas HCl and HBr max. HF max. ^d	% %	0,5 0,1	0,5 0,1	0,5 0,1	0,5 0,1	0,5 0,1	50267-2-1 60684-2	
9	Toxicity							50305	9.2
	Toxicity index (ITC) max.		3	3	3	3	3		

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Ref No.	Test	Unit	Type of compound					Test method described in ^a	
			EI 101	EI 102	EI 103	EI 104	EI 105	EN	Clause
10	Acid and alkaline resistance						N.A.	60811-2-1	10
10.1	Treatment - acid based: N oxalic acid solution - alkaline based: N sodium hydroxide solution Temperature of bath Duration	°C h	23 ± 2 168	23 ± 2 168	23 ± 2 168	23 ± 2 168			
10.2	Tensile strength: variation max.	%	30	30	30	30			
10.3	Elongation at break: min.	%	100	100	100	100			

^d This test need not be performed if a negative result is obtained for fluorine in the test given in B.3.3.

**Table 2b – Requirements for the tests for halogen free insulating compounds
for Part 3-1 and Part 3-2**

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Ref No.	Test	Unit	Type of compound					Test method described in ^a	
			EI 106	EI 107	EI 108	EI 109	EI 110	EN	Clause
	Operating temperature	°C	90	90	90	90	90		
1	Mechanical properties								
1.1	Properties in the state as delivered							60811-1-1	9.1
1.1.1	Values to be obtained for tensile strength: - median min.	MPa	10,0	10,0	10,0	10,0	7,0		
1.1.2	Values to be obtained for the elongation at break: - median min.	%	150	150	150	150	150		
1.2	Properties after ageing in air oven							60811-1-2	8.1.3.2
1.2.1	Ageing conditions: - temperature - duration of treatment	°C h	135 ± 2 168	135 ± 2 168	135 ± 2 168	135 ± 2 168	135 ± 2 168		
1.2.2	Values to be obtained for the tensile strength: - variation max.	%	± 30	± 30	± 30	± 30	± 30		
1.2.3	Values to be obtained for the elongation at break: - variation max.	%	± 30	± 30	± 30	± 30	± 30		
2	Hot set test							60811-2-1	9
2.1	Conditions of treatment: - temperature - time under load - mechanical stress	°C min N/cm ²	200 ± 3 15 20	200 ± 3 15 20	200 ± 3 15 20	200 ± 3 15 20	200 ± 3 15 20		
2.2	Test requirements: - max. elongation under load - max. elongation after unloading	% %	100 25	100 25	100 25	100 25	100 25		
3	Ozone resistance							50305	7.4.2
3.1	Concentration Method A	%	(250-300) x 10 ⁻⁴	(250-300) x 10 ⁻⁴	(250-300) x 10 ⁻⁴	(250-300) x 10 ⁻⁴	(250-300) x 10 ⁻⁴		
	Method B (alternative)	%	(200 ± 50) x 10 ⁻⁶	(200 ± 50) x 10 ⁻⁶	(200 ± 50) x 10 ⁻⁶	(200 ± 50) x 10 ⁻⁶	(200 ± 50) x 10 ⁻⁶		
3.2	Test temperature Method A	°C	25 ± 2	25 ± 2	25 ± 2	25 ± 2	25 ± 2		
	Method B	°C	40 ± 2	40 ± 2	40 ± 2	40 ± 2	40 ± 2		
3.3	Test duration Method A	h	24	24	24	24	24		
	Method B	h	72	72	72	72	72		
3.4	Results to be obtained		no cracks	no cracks	no cracks	no cracks	no cracks		

**Table 2b – Requirements for the tests for halogen free insulating compounds
for Part 3-1 and Part 3-2 (continued)**

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Ref No.	Test	Unit	Type of compound					Test method described in ^a	
			EI 106	EI 107	EI 108	EI 109	EI 110	EN	Clause
4	Mineral oil resistance						N.A.	60811-2-1	10
4.1	Treatment: - type of oil: IRM902 - temperature: - duration:	°C h	100 ± 2 24	100 ± 2 24	100 ± 2 72	100 ± 2 72			
4.2	Tensile strength: Variation max.	%	± 30	± 30	± 30	± 30			
4.3	Elongation at break: Variation max.	%	± 40	± 40	± 40	± 40			
5	Fuel resistance		N.A.	N.A.			N.A.	60811-2-1	10
5.1	Treatment: - type of liquid: IRM903 - temperature: - duration:	°C h			70 ± 2 168	70 ± 2 168			
5.2	Tensile strength: Variation max.	%			± 30	± 30			
5.3	Elongation at break: Variation max.	%			± 40	± 40			
6	Bending test at low temperature ^b							60811-1-4	8.1
6.1	Treatment: Temperature	°C	-25 ± 2	-40 ± 2	-25 ± 2	-40 ± 2	-40 ± 2		
6.2	Result to be obtained		no cracks	no cracks	no cracks	no cracks	no cracks		
7	Elongation test at low temperature ^c							60811-1-4	8.3
7.1	Treatment: Temperature	°C	-25 ± 2	-40 ± 2	-25 ± 2	-40 ± 2	-40 ± 2		
7.2	Elongation min.	%	30	30	30	30	30		
8	Assessment of halogens								
8.1	pH min.		4,3	4,3	4,3	4,3	4,3	50267-2-2	
8.2	Conductivity max.	µS/mm	10,0	10,0	10,0	10,0	10,0	50267-2-2	
8.3	Amount of halogen: acid gas HCl and HBr max. HF max. ^d	% %	0,5 0,1	0,5 0,1	0,5 0,1	0,5 0,1	0,5 0,1	50267-2-1 60684-2	
9	Toxicity							50305	9.2
	Toxicity index (ITC) max.		3	3	3	3	3		

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Ref No.	Test	Unit	Type of compound					Test method described in ^a	
			EI 106	EI 107	EI 108	EI 109	EI 110	EN	Clause
10	Acid and alkaline resistance						N.A.	60811-2-1	10
10.1	Treatment - acid based: N oxalic acid solution - alkaline based: N sodium hydroxide solution Temperature of bath Duration	°C h	23 ± 2 168	23 ± 2 168	23 ± 2 168	23 ± 2 168			
10.2	Tensile strength: Variation max.	%	30	30	30	30			
10.3	Elongation at break: min.	%	100	100	100	100			

^a For multilayer insulation systems see also Annex C.

^b The test is only applicable to cables with OD ≤ 12,5 mm.

^c The test is only applicable to cables with OD > 12,5 mm.

^d This test need not be performed if a negative result is obtained for fluorine in the test given in B.3.3.

Table 3 – Requirements for the tests for fillers, tapes and binders

1	2	3	4	5	6
Ref No.	Test	Unit	Requirement	Test method described in	
				EN	Clause
1	Assessment of halogens ^a				
1.1	pH min.		4,3	50267-2-2	
1.2	Conductivity max.	μS/mm	10,0	50267-2-2	
1.3	Amount of halogen acid gas				
	HCl and HBr max.	%	0,5	50267-2-1	
	HF ^b max.	%	0,1	60684-2	
2	Toxicity			50305	9.2
	Toxicity index (ITC) max.		3		
^a These tests for assessment of halogens only apply where the combined mass of fillers, tapes and binders exceeds 5 % wt/wt of the total combustible materials in the cable. For further guidance, including testing where the combined mass does not exceed 5 %, see A.2. ^b This test need not be performed if a negative result is obtained for fluorine in the test given in B.3.3.					

Table 4 – Requirements for the tests for halogen free sheathing compounds

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Ref No.	Test	Unit	Type of compound				Test method described in	
			EM 101	EM 102	EM 103	EM 104	EN	Clause
1	Mechanical properties							
1.1	Properties in the state as delivered						60811-1-1	9.2
1.1.1	Values to be obtained for the tensile strength: - median. min.	N/mm ²	10,0	10,0	10,0	10,0		
1.1.2	Values to be obtained for the elongation at break: - median. min.	%	125	125	125	125		
1.2	Properties after ageing in air oven						60811-1-2	8.1
1.2.1	Ageing conditions: - temperature: - duration of treatment	°C h	120 ± 2 240	120 ± 2 240	120 ± 2 240	120 ± 2 240		
1.2.2	Values to be obtained for the tensile strength: - variation max.	%	± 30	± 30	± 30	± 30		
1.2.3	Values to be obtained for the elongation at break: - variation max.	%	± 30	± 30	± 30	± 30		
2	Hot set test						60811-2-1	9
2.1	Condition of treatment: - temperature - time under load - mechanical stress	°C min N/cm ²	200 ± 3 15 20	200 ± 3 15 20	200 ± 3 15 20	200 ± 3 15 20		
2.2	Test requirements: - max. elongation under load - max. elongation after unloading	% %	100 25	100 25	100 25	100 25		
3	Water absorption (gravimetric method)						60811-1-3	9.2
3.1	Condition of treatment: - water temperature - immersion duration	°C h	70 ± 2 168	70 ± 2 168	70 ± 2 168	70 ± 2 168		
3.2	Test requirement: - weight increase max.	mg/cm ²	15	15	15	15		

Table 4 – Requirements for the tests for halogen free sheathing compounds *(continued)*

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Ref No.	Test	Unit	Type of compound				Test method described in	
			EM 101	EM 102	EM 103	EM 104	EN	Clause
4	Ozone resistance						50305	7.4.2
4.1	Concentration Method A	%	$(250-300) \times 10^{-4}$	$(250-300) \times 10^{-4}$	$(250-300) \times 10^{-4}$	$(250-300) \times 10^{-4}$		
	Method B (alternative)	%	$(200 \pm 50) \times 10^{-6}$	$(200 \pm 50) \times 10^{-6}$	$(200 \pm 50) \times 10^{-6}$	$(200 \pm 50) \times 10^{-6}$		
4.2	Test temperature Method A	°C	25 ± 2	25 ± 2	25 ± 2	25 ± 2		
	Method B	°C	40 ± 2	40 ± 2	40 ± 2	40 ± 2		
4.3	Test duration Method A	h	24	24	24	24		
	Method B	h	72	72	72	72		
4.4	Results to be obtained		no cracks	no cracks	no cracks	no cracks		
5	Mineral oil resistance						60811-2-1	10
5.1	Treatment: - type of oil: IRM 902 - temperature: - duration:	°C h	100 ± 2 24	100 ± 2 24	100 ± 2 72	100 ± 2 72		
5.2	Tensile strength: Variation max.	%	± 30	± 30	± 30	± 30		
5.3	Elongation at break: Variation max.	%	± 40	± 40	± 40	± 40		
6	Fuel resistance		N.A.	N.A.			60811-2-1	10
6.1	Treatment: - type of liquid: IRM 903 - temperature - duration	°C h			70 ± 2 168	70 ± 2 168		
6.2	Tensile strength: Variation max.	%			± 30	± 30		
6.3	Elongation at break: Variation max.	%			± 40	± 40		
7	Bending test at low temperature^a						60811-1-4	8.2
7.1	Treatment: Temperature	°C	-25 ± 2	-40 ± 2	-25 ± 2	-40 ± 2		
7.2	Result to be obtained		no cracks	no cracks	no cracks	no cracks		

Table 4 – Requirements for the tests for halogen free sheathing compounds *(continued)*

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Ref No.	Test	Unit	Type of compound				Test method described in	
			EM 101	EM 102	EM 103	EM 104	EN	Clause
8	Elongation test at low temperature^b						60811-1-4	8.4
8.1	Treatment: Temperature	°C	-25 ± 2	-40 ± 2	-25 ± 2	-40 ± 2		
8.2	Elongation at break min.	%	30	30	30	30		
9	Assessment of halogens							
9.1	pH min.		4,3	4,3	4,3	4,3	50267-2-2	
9.2	Conductivity max.	µS/mm	10,0	10,0	10,0	10,0	50267-2-2	
9.3	Amount of halogen gas: - HCl and HBr max. - HF ^c max.	% %	0,5 0,1	0,5 0,1	0,5 0,1	0,5 0,1	50267-2-1 60684-2	
10	Toxicity						50305	9.2
	Toxicity index (ITC) max.		3	3	3	3		
11	Acid and alkaline resistance						60811-2-1	10
11.1	Treatment - acid based: N oxalic acid solution - alkaline based: N-sodium-hydroxide solution Temperature of bath Duration	°C h	23 ± 2 168	23 ± 2 168	23 ± 2 168	23 ± 2 168		
11.2	Tensile strength: variation max.	%	30	30	30	30		
11.3	Elongation at break: min.	%	100	100	100	100		

^a The test is only applicable to cables with OD ≤ 12,5 mm.

^b The test is only applicable to cables with OD > 12,5 mm.

^c This test need not be performed if a negative result is obtained for fluorine in the test given in B.3.3.

Annex A (normative)

Requirements for halogens

A.1 Requirements for extruded material

The insulation and sheath shall meet the following requirements.

a) Type test

The material shall be tested to all the tests in Table A.1.

Table A.1 - Type test

	Test method	Measurement	Requirements
1	EN 50267-2-2	pH and conductivity	pH $\geq 4,3$ and conductivity $\leq 10 \mu\text{S/mm}$
2	EN 50267-2-1	Chlorine and bromine content expressed as HCl	$\leq 0,5 \%$
3a	EN 50264-1 Annex B	Halogen: Fluorine	If negative stop test; no further test needed. Accept material.
			If positive, do test according to 3b.
3b	EN 60684-2	Fluorine content	$\leq 0,1 \%$

b) Sample test

The material shall be tested to the sequential test programme in Table A.2.

Table A.2 - Sample test

	Test method	Measurement	Result	Outcome
Stage 0	EN 50264-1 Annex B	Halogen: Fluorine, Chlorine and Bromine		If negative stop test; no further test needed. Accept material.
				If positive continue with stage 1.
Stage 1	EN 50267-2-2	pH	$< 4,3$	Reject material.
			$\geq 4,3$	Evaluate conductivity.
		Conductivity	$\leq 2,5 \mu\text{S/mm}$	Accept material. No further testing needed.
		Conductivity	$> 10 \mu\text{S/mm}$	Reject material.
Stage 2	EN 50267-2-1	Chlorine and bromine Content expressed as HCl	$> 0,5 \%$	Reject material.
			$\leq 0,5 \%$	Test to EN 60684-2.
		Fluorine content	$> 0,1 \%$	Reject material.
Stage 3	EN 60684-2	Fluorine content	$\leq 0,1 \%$	Accept material.

A.2 Requirements for non-extruded materials

Type and sample test

The materials shall meet the following requirements:

If the combined mass of all non-extruded materials (including separator tapes and fillers) is ≤ 5 % wt/wt of the total combustible material in the cable, the test to EN 50267-2-2 (Table A.1, No. 1) shall be carried out on each component of materials. Each component shall meet the requirements for pH and conductivity of $\geq 4,3$ and ≤ 10 $\mu\text{S/mm}$, respectively.

A layer comprising a number of tapes of the same material shall be regarded as one component, and similarly, a number of cable fillers of the same material shall be regarded as one component.

If the combined mass of separator tapes and fillers is > 5 % wt/wt of the total combustible materials, then each of the components shall meet the requirements for extruded material according to Table A.1.

For the test according to 3a of Table A.1 the sample may be prepared from all tapes. If the result is positive it must be repeated on each component.

Annex B (normative)

Determination of halogens – Elemental test

Warning

Owing to its potentially hazardous nature, the fusion operation should be carried out in a fume cupboard, using a safety screen.

B.1 Equipment

Bunsen burner;

3 small/medium soda glass test tubes (approximately 50 mm x 10 mm);

Test tube holder;

Evaporating basin/mortar;

Wire gauze;

Funnel;

Filter paper.

B.2 Materials

Unknown sample;

Sodium metal;

Dilute nitric acid (5 %);

Aqueous silver nitrate (5 %);

Dilute ammonia (10 %);

Freshly made up zirconium-alizarin red S reagent;

Glacial acetic acid;

Acid/pH indicator papers.

B.3 Procedure

B.3.1 Sodium fusion

Place 200 mg – 250 mg of the sample into the bottom of a small soda glass test tube. Add 10 ml of distilled/de-ionized water to the evaporating basin, and place this in the fume cupboard behind the safety screen. Whilst holding the test tube firmly with the test tube holder at an angle of 45° – 60° to the vertical, introduce a piece of freshly cut, clean, sodium (about the size of a small pea) (200 mg – 250 mg) into the mouth of the test tube, without allowing it to come into contact with the sample. With the safety screen in place, heat the sodium gently until it melts and runs down on to the sample, (there may be a vigorous reaction when the molten sodium reaches the sample, if halogens are present). Heat the tube gently for about 1 min, then more strongly until the lower 20 mm of the tube glows red hot. Plunge the red hot tube into the water in the evaporating basin, immediately placing the gauze on top. (The gauze prevents any loss of material when the tube shatters on contact with the water). Allow any unreacted sodium to react before grinding up the solution and glass. Filter, and separate the filtrate into two equal portions.

B.3.2 Chlorine and bromine

To the first portion of the filtrate, add sufficient nitric acid to make the solution acidic. Boil this solution until its total volume has been reduced by half, (this is to remove any HCN or H₂S, if present, which would interfere with the test). Add 1 ml silver nitrate solution; a white or yellowish-white precipitate indicates the presence of halogen (Cl, Br) in the original sample. (If the liquor is decanted, and the precipitate is white and readily soluble in dilute ammonia, then chloride is present.)

B.3.3 Fluorine

To the second portion of the filtrate, acidify with glacial acetic acid. Boil this solution until its total volume has been reduced by half. Add 2 – 3 drops freshly prepared zirconium lake reagent (equal volumes of a) Alizarin solution, 0,05 g Alizarin Red-S in 50 ml distilled water, b) Zirconium solution, 0,05 g zirconium nitrate in 10 ml concentrated HCl diluted with 50 ml distilled water). Heat at 40 °C for 1 h. The presence of fluoride is indicated by the red/pink colouration being bleached to yellow.

Annex C (normative)

Preparation of test pieces for physical tests

In the case of multilayer insulation systems, test pieces required for mechanical and related tests shall be prepared as follows.

- a) Where the diameter over the insulation system is less than or equal to 8 mm, tubular test samples shall be prepared in accordance with EN 60811-1-1, 9.1.3(b). The relevant requirements for the insulation system shall be met by the composite (multilayer) when tested in tubular form.
- b) Where the diameter over the insulation system is greater than 8 mm, dumbbells shall be prepared in accordance with EN 60811-1-1, 9.1.3(a). The requirements to be met shall be as follows:
 - 1) the outer layer, after removal of the inner layer(s) by buffing or slicing, shall comply with the relevant requirements for the insulation system;
 - 2) the inner layer, if after slicing or buffing it is greater than 0,8 mm thickness, shall comply with the requirements specified for EI 105 and EI 110 as applicable;
 - 3) the inner layer, if after slicing or buffing it is less than or equal to 0,8 mm then only the hot set test specified in EN 60811-2-1 shall be carried out to ensure that adequate cross-linking of this layer has been achieved.

NOTE Guidance on the selection of samples for this test is given in the relevant cable standard.

Annex D (normative)

Thickness and overall diameter – Selection of samples and calculation of results

D.1 Insulation thickness

D.1.1 Procedure

The thickness of insulation shall be measured in accordance with EN 60811-1-1, 8.1. Three samples shall be taken from the cable; each sample shall be separated from the next by a distance of at least 1 m.

Compliance shall be checked on each core of cable.

If withdrawal of the conductor is difficult, it shall be stretched in a tensile machine or the piece of core shall be loosened by stretching or some other suitable means that does not damage the insulation.

D.1.2 Evaluation of results

The mean of the 18 values (expressed in millimetres) obtained from the three pieces of insulation for each core shall be calculated to two decimal places and rounded off as given below, and this shall be taken as the mean value of the thickness of insulation.

If in the calculation the second decimal figure is 5 or more, the first decimal figure shall be raised to the next number, thus for example, 1,74 shall be rounded to 1,7 and 1,75 to 1,8.

The lowest of all values obtained shall be taken as the minimum thickness of insulation at any place.

D.2 Measurement of sheath thickness

D.2.1 Procedure

The thickness of the sheath shall be measured in accordance with EN 60811-1-1, 8.2.

One sample of cable shall be taken from each of three places, separated by at least 1 m.

D.2.2 Evaluation of results

The mean of all the values (expressed in millimetres) obtained from the three pieces of sheath shall be calculated to two decimal places and rounded off as given below, and this shall be taken as the mean value of the thickness of sheath.

The method of rounding shall then be:

- a) if the last figure to be retained is followed, before rounding, by 0, 1, 2, 3 or 4, it shall remain unchanged (rounding down);
- b) if the last figure to be retained is followed, before rounding, by 9, 8, 7, 6 or 5, it shall be increased by one (rounding up).

The lowest of all values obtained shall be taken as the minimum thickness of sheath at any place.

D.3 Measurement of overall diameter

The three samples taken in accordance with D.1 or D.2 shall be used.

The measurement of the overall diameter of any circular cable shall be carried out in accordance with EN 60811-1-1, 8.3.

The mean of the values obtained shall be taken as the mean overall diameter.

Annex E
 (informative)

Guidance on selection of cables for type approval

The selection of cables for type approval should be:

EN 50264-2-1 and EN 50264-3-1

Single, flexible unsheathed	Table 1	0,6/1 kV	Three cables: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – one ≤ 6 mm² – one ≥ 95 mm² – one cable selected from the middle of the range
Single, flexible unsheathed	Table 2	1,8/3 kV	as above
Single, flexible sheathed	Table 3	1,8/3 kV	as above
Single, flexible sheathed	Table 4	3,6/6 kV	as above

EN 50264-2-2 and EN 50264-3-2

Multicore flexible	Tables 1 & 2	300/500 V	one cable of between 2 to 7 cores
Unscreened or screened			one cable of between 9 to 24 cores
Multicore flexible	Tables 4 - 9	0,6/1 kV	one cable < 6 mm ²
Unscreened or screened			one cable > 6 mm ²

NOTE The type approval sequence may be reduced by agreement between the purchaser and the manufacturer. The number of samples selected for type approval testing may also be reduced by agreement.

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