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elastomeric insulation — Single core  
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## Introduction

The EN 50264 series covers a range of cables, based upon halogen free materials, for use in railway rolling stock. It 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.

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.

The cables in EN 50264-2-1 may also be used in EN 50264-2-2 to build up multicore sheathed cables.

Part 1, "*General requirements*", contains a more extensive introduction to EN 50264, and should be read in conjunction with this Part 2-1.

## 1 Scope

EN 50264-2-1 specifies requirements for, and constructions and dimensions of, single core cables of the following types and voltage ratings:

- 0,6/1 kV unscreened, unsheathed (1 mm<sup>2</sup> to 400 mm<sup>2</sup>);
- 1,8/3 kV unscreened, unsheathed (1,5 mm<sup>2</sup> to 400 mm<sup>2</sup>);
- 1,8/3 kV unscreened, sheathed (1,5 mm<sup>2</sup> to 400 mm<sup>2</sup>);
- 3,6/6 kV unscreened, sheathed (2,5 mm<sup>2</sup> to 400 mm<sup>2</sup>).

All cables have class 5 tinned copper conductors to EN 60228, halogen-free insulation and halogen-free sheath. They are for use in railway rolling stock as fixed wiring, or wiring where limited flexing in operation is encountered. The requirements provide for a continuous conductor temperature not exceeding 90 °C and a maximum temperature for short circuit conditions of 200 °C based on a duration of 5 s.

Under fire conditions the cables exhibit special performance characteristics in respect of maximum permissible flame propagation (flame spread) and maximum permissible emission of smoke and toxic gases.

EN 50264-2-1 should be read in conjunction with Part 1 “*General requirements*”.

## 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.

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|-------------------|---|
| EN 10002-1        | Metallic materials – Tensile testing – Methods of test at ambient temperature   |
| EN 50264-1:2008   | Railway applications – Railway rolling stock power and control cables having special fire performance – Part 1: General requirements  |
| EN 50266-2-4      | Common test methods for cables under fire conditions – Test for vertical flame spread of vertically-mounted bunched wires or cables –<br>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 –<br>Part 2-5: Procedures – Small cables – Category D   |
| 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 –<br>Part 1-2: Test for vertical flame propagation for a single insulated wire or cable –<br>Procedure for 1 kW pre-mixed flame (IEC 60332-1-2)                                    |
| 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<br>(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)
HD 308	Identification of cores in cables and flexible cords

### 3 Definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in EN 50264-1 apply.

### 4 Rated voltage

The rated voltage for single-core insulated cables shall be as follows:

- a) unsheathed: 0,6/1 kV; 1,8/3 kV;
- b) sheathed: 1,8/3 kV; 3,6/6 kV.

### 5 Marking and identification

#### 5.1 Marking of cable

Cables shall be marked with the following:

- manufacturer's name;
- EN reference;
- voltage rating ( $U_o$ );
- conductor size;
- a code designation according to Annex A.

An example of a complete mark is:

XYZ EN 50264-2-1 1800 V 400 FF

The marking shall conform to the requirements of EN 50264-1, Clause 5.

## 5.2 Core identification

The core insulation of all cables shall be black unless otherwise specified. If a colour other than black is specified it shall be a colour in accordance with HD 308. The colour shall be on the surface or throughout the insulation.

The colour shall be clearly identifiable and durable. Durability shall be checked by the test given in EN 50305, 10.1.

Conformity with these requirements shall be verified by visual examination.

## 5.3 Sheath

The sheath shall be black unless otherwise specified.

# 6 Construction of cables

## 6.1 General

The cable shall conform to the applicable general requirements given in EN 50264-1 and to the specific requirements of this part.

Conformity with the requirements shall be checked by inspection and by the tests given in Table 5.

The cable dimensions shall be as given in Tables 1 to 4 as appropriate to the cable type.

## 6.2 Conductor

Conductors shall be tin-coated annealed copper, class 5, according to EN 60228.

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

NOTE It is not necessary to test every individual wire. 5 % of wires or 10 wires, whichever is the least number, should be selected at random.

## 6.3 Conductor screening

For cables in Table 4 conductor screening shall be as given in EN 50264-1, 6.1.6.

## 6.4 Separator

**6.4.1** A separator may be used over the conductor if the cable construction does not include a conductor screen.

**6.4.2** A separator may be included between the insulation and the sheath.

## 6.5 Insulation system

The insulation shall be one or more extruded materials as defined in EN 50264-1 applied so as to meet the requirements of EI 101 to EI 105.

For single-core unsheathed and sheathed cable:

- 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.

For sheathed cables:

- EI 105 extra low temperature resistant, non oil resistant.

EI 105 may be used as the inner layer of a multilayer insulation system.

To claim extra low temperature performance both insulation and sheath shall be extra low temperature resistant.

The insulation shall be applied to meet the requirements of EN 50264-1, 6.2.

The insulation thickness shall conform to the specified value given in Tables 1 to 4.

## **6.6 Sheath**

Sheath shall be an extruded material as defined in EN 50264-1 applied so as to meet the requirements of compound type EM 101, EM 102, EM 103 or EM 104:

- 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.

The sheath shall consist of one or more closely adherent layers of the same type.

The sheath shall be applied to meet the requirements of EN 50264-1, 6.6.

The sheath thickness shall conform to the specified value given in Tables 3 and 4.

## **6.7 Constructional components**

### **6.7.1 Unsheathed cable (Tables 1 and 2 - 0,6/1 kV and 1,8/3 kV)**

Cable in Tables 1 and 2 shall be composed of the following components in the order given:

- conductor flexible tin coated annealed copper, class 5;
- separator optional;
- insulation a compound or compounds given in 6.5.

**6.7.2 Sheathed cable (Table 3 – 1,8/3 kV)**

Cable in Table 3 shall be composed of the following components in the order given:

- conductor flexible tin coated annealed copper, class 5;
- separator optional;
- insulation a compound or compounds given in 6.5;
- separator optional;
- sheath a compound given in 6.6.

**6.7.3 Sheathed cable (Table 4 – 3,6/6 kV)**

Cable in Table 4 shall be composed of the following components in the order given:

- conductor flexible tin coated annealed copper, class 5;
- conductor screening as given in EN 50264-1, 6.1.6;
- insulation a compound or compounds given in 6.5;
- separator optional;
- sheath a compound given in 6.6.

**Table 1 – General data – Cable type (0,6/1 kV unsheathed)**

1	2 <sup>a</sup>	3	4	5	6	7	8	1
Nominal cross-sectional area	Conductor diameter <i>d</i>	Mean thickness of insulation	Overall diameter <i>D</i>		Resistance of conductor at 20 °C	Insulation resistance at 20 °C	Insulation resistance at 90 °C	Nominal cross-sectional area
			min.	max.	max.	min.	min.	
mm <sup>2</sup>	mm	mm	mm	mm	Ω/km	MΩ.km	MΩ.km	mm <sup>2</sup>
1,0	1,25	0,8	2,8	3,2	20	65	0,65	1,0
1,5	1,5	0,8	3,0	3,5	13,7	55	0,55	1,5
2,5	1,95	0,8	3,4	3,9	8,21	50	0,5	2,5
4	2,5	0,8	3,9	4,6	5,09	40	0,4	4
6	3,0	0,9	4,6	5,4	3,39	35	0,35	6
10	3,9	1,1	5,8	6,8	1,95	30	0,3	10
16	5,0	1,1	7,2	8,5	1,24	30	0,3	16
25	6,4	1,3	8,6	10,0	0,795	30	0,3	25
35	7,7	1,3	10,2	11,5	0,565	25	0,25	35
50	9,2	1,5	11,6	13,5	0,393	25	0,25	50
70	11,0	1,5	13,3	15,5	0,277	20	0,2	70
95	12,5	1,6	14,9	17,4	0,210	20	0,2	95
120	14,2	1,6	16,5	19,3	0,164	20	0,2	120
150	15,8	1,9	18,5	21,7	0,132	15	0,15	150
185	17,5	1,9	20,1	23,6	0,108	15	0,15	185
240	20,1	2,1	22,9	26,8	0,081 7	15	0,15	240
300	22,5	2,2	25,4	29,7	0,065 4	10	0,1	300
400	25,8	2,3	28,7	33,6	0,049 5	10	0,1	400

<sup>a</sup> For information, indicative only.

**Table 2 – General data – Cable type (1,8/3 kV unsheathed)**

1	2 <sup>a</sup>	3	4	5	6	7	8	1
Nominal cross-sectional area	Conductor diameter <i>d</i>	Mean thickness of insulation	Overall diameter <i>D</i>		Resistance of conductor at 20 °C	Insulation resistance at 20 °C	Insulation resistance at 90 °C	Nominal cross-sectional area
			min.	max.	max.	min.	min.	
mm <sup>2</sup>	mm	mm	mm	mm	Ω/km	MΩ.km	MΩ.km	mm <sup>2</sup>
1,5	1,5	2,5	6,2	7,3	13,7	120	1,2	1,5
2,5	1,95	2,5	6,6	7,8	8,21	100	1,0	2,5
4	2,5	2,5	7,1	8,4	5,09	90	0,9	4
6	3,0	2,5	7,6	8,9	3,39	80	0,8	6
10	3,9	2,5	8,4	9,9	1,95	65	0,65	10
16	5,0	2,5	9,5	11,1	1,24	55	0,55	16
25	6,4	2,5	10,8	12,7	0,795	45	0,45	25
35	7,7	2,5	12,0	14,1	0,565	40	0,4	35
50	9,2	2,5	13,4	15,7	0,393	35	0,35	50
70	11,0	2,5	15,1	17,7	0,277	30	0,3	70
95	12,5	2,7	16,9	19,8	0,210	30	0,3	95
120	14,2	2,7	18,5	21,7	0,164	25	0,25	120
150	15,8	2,7	20,0	23,4	0,132	20	0,2	150
185	17,5	2,7	21,6	25,3	0,108 0	20	0,2	185
240	20,1	2,7	24,1	28,2	0,081 7	20	0,2	240
300	22,5	2,7	26,3	30,8	0,065 4	15	0,15	300
400	25,8	2,9	29,8	34,9	0,049 5	15	0,15	400

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**Table 3 – General data – Cable type (1,8/3 kV sheathed)**

1	2 <sup>a</sup>	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	1
Nominal cross-sectional area	Conductor diameter <i>d</i>	Mean thickness of insulation	Mean thickness of sheath	Overall diameter <i>D</i>		Resistance of conductor at 20 °C	Insulation resistance at 20 °C	Insulation resistance at 90 °C	Nominal cross-sectional area
				min.	max.	max.	min.	min.	
mm <sup>2</sup>	mm	mm	mm	mm	mm	Ω/km	MΩ.km	MΩ.km	mm <sup>2</sup>
1,5	1,5	1,3	1,4	6,7	7,8	13,7	960	9,6	1,5
2,5	1,95	1,3	1,4	7,1	8,3	8,21	850	8,5	2,5
4	2,5	1,3	1,4	7,6	8,9	5,09	750	7,5	4
6	3,0	1,3	1,4	8,1	9,5	3,39	670	6,7	6
10	3,9	2,2	1,4	10,6	12,4	1,95	550	5,5	10
16	5,0	2,2	1,4	11,7	13,6	1,24	450	4,5	16
25	6,4	2,2	1,4	13,0	15,2	0,795	390	3,9	25
35	7,7	2,2	1,4	14,2	16,6	0,565	350	3,5	35
50	9,2	2,2	1,4	15,6	18,3	0,393	300	3	50
70	11,0	2,2	1,5	17,5	20,5	0,277	260	2,6	70
95	12,5	2,4	1,6	19,6	22,3	0,210	250	2,5	95
120	14,2	2,4	1,6	21,1	24,6	0,164	220	2,2	120
150	15,8	2,4	1,7	22,7	26,6	0,132	210	2,1	150
185	17,5	2,4	1,7	24,0	28,1	0,108 0	200	2	185
240	20,1	2,4	1,8	27,0	31,6	0,081 7	180	1,8	240
300	22,5	2,4	1,9	29,4	34,4	0,065 4	170	1,7	300
400	25,8	2,6	2,0	32,7	38,3	0,049 5	150	1,5	400

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**Table 4 – General data – Cable type (3,6/6 kV sheathed)**

1	2 <sup>a</sup>	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	1
Nominal cross-sectional area	Conductor diameter <i>d</i>	Mean thickness of insulation	Mean thickness of sheath	Overall diameter <i>D</i>		Resistance of conductor at 20 °C	Insulation resistance at 20 °C	Insulation resistance at 90 °C	Nominal cross-sectional area
				min.	max.	max.	min.	min.	
mm <sup>2</sup>	mm	mm	mm	mm	mm	Ω/km	MΩ.km	MΩ.km	mm <sup>2</sup>
2,5	1,95	3,0	1,4	10,5	12,3	8,21	1 300	13	2,5
4	2,5	3,0	1,4	11,0	12,9	5,09	1 150	11,5	4
6	3,0	3,0	1,4	11,5	13,4	3,39	1 050	10,5	6
10	3,9	3,0	1,4	12,3	14,4	1,95	850	8,5	10
16	5,0	3,0	1,4	13,3	15,6	1,24	710	7,1	16
25	6,4	3,0	1,4	14,7	17,2	0,795	630	6,3	25
35	7,7	3,0	1,4	15,9	18,6	0,565	550	5,5	35
50	9,2	3,0	1,5	17,5	20,5	0,393	500	5	50
70	11,0	3,0	1,5	19,2	22,4	0,277	430	4,3	70
95	12,5	3,0	1,6	20,8	24,3	0,210	400	4	95
120	14,2	3,1	1,7	22,7	26,6	0,164	360	3,6	120
150	15,8	3,1	1,7	24,2	28,4	0,132	340	3,4	150
185	17,5	3,2	1,8	26,2	30,7	0,108	330	3,3	185
240	20,1	3,4	1,9	29,2	34,2	0,081 7	300	3	240
300	22,5	3,4	1,9	31,5	36,9	0,065 4	250	2,5	300
400	25,8	3,4	2,0	34,8	40,7	0,049 5	230	2,3	400

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## 7 Tests

### 7.1 Definitions relating to tests

The definition of Type (T), Sample (S) and Routine (R) tests shall be as given in EN 50264-1, Clause 3.

NOTE Tests classified as Sample (S) or Routine (R) may be required as part of any approval schemes.

### 7.2 Conductor resistance

The test shall be carried out in accordance with EN 50305, 6.1.

The values obtained shall not exceed the maximum values given in Tables 1, 2, 3 or 4 appropriate to the size of cable.

### 7.3 Voltage test

The test shall be carried out in accordance with EN 50305, 6.2.1, using either an a.c. or d.c. voltage and the following conditions:

- sample length 20 m;
- duration of application 5 min;
- test temperature  $(20 \pm 5)^\circ\text{C}$ .

Test voltage to be applied

Rated voltage ( $U_o$ )	Test voltage (r.m.s.)	Test voltage (d.c.)
kV	kV	kV
0,6	3,5	8,4
1,8	6,5	15
3,6	11	26

There shall be no breakdown of the insulation.

### 7.4 Insulation resistance

The test shall be carried out at  $20^\circ\text{C}$  and at  $90^\circ\text{C}$  in accordance with EN 50305, 6.4.1 and 6.4.2.

The values obtained shall not be below those given in Tables 1 to 4 appropriate to the type and nominal cross section of cable.

### 7.5 Dielectric strength

The test shall be carried out in accordance with EN 50305, 6.8, using the following conditions:

- water temperature  $(20 \pm 5)^\circ\text{C}$ ;
- immersion duration 1 h.

<b>Rated voltage (<math>U_o</math>)</b>	<b>Minimum breakdown voltage (a.c.)</b>
kV	kV
0,6	6
1,8	10
3,6	20

At the conclusion of the test there shall be no breakdown below the minimum voltage.

## 7.6 Spark test

The test shall be carried out in accordance with EN 50305, 6.5, using one of the following conditions:

- a) test voltage a.c. (50 Hz):

3 kV + (5 x tabulated insulation thickness (mm)) kV;

- b) test voltage d.c.:

V a.c. x 1,5.

## 7.7 D.C. stability

The test shall be carried out in accordance with EN 50305, 6.7, using the following conditions:

- water temperature (85 ± 2) °C;
- duration of immersion and application of voltage (240 ± 2) h.

<b>Rated voltage (<math>U_o</math>)</b>	<b>Voltage test (d.c.)</b>
kV	kV
0,6	1,5
1,8	4,5
3,6	9

At the conclusion of the test there shall be no breakdown of the insulation.

## 7.8 Surface resistance

The test shall be carried out in accordance with EN 50305, 6.6.

The measured leakage current shall not exceed the value of current, in mA, equal to half the measured diameter of the sample of cable in mm; e.g. for a cable 10 mm in diameter the maximum measured leakage current shall not exceed 5 mA.

At the completion of this test the cable shall withstand a voltage of 10 kV a.c. without flashover.

## 7.9 Ageing test

The insulation and sheath shall be tested in accordance with EN 60811-1-2, 8.1, using the following conditions:

- temperature (120 ± 2) °C;
- duration of treatment 240 h.

The maximum variation shall be

- for the tensile strength  $\pm 30\%$ ;
- for the elongation at break  $\pm 30\%$

for each insulation and sheathing compounds.

#### 7.10 Hot set test

The test shall be carried out in accordance with EN 60811-2-1, Clause 9, using the following conditions:

- temperature  $(200 \pm 3)^\circ\text{C}$ ;
- time under load 15 min;
- mechanical stress  $20 \text{ N/cm}^2$ .

The maximum elongation shall be

- under load 100 %;
- after unloading 25 %.

#### 7.11 Compatibility

The test shall be carried out in accordance with EN 50305, 7.1, using the following conditions:

- temperature  $(100 \pm 2)^\circ\text{C}$ ;
- duration 168 h.

Maximum variation shall be

- tensile strength  $\pm 30\%$ ;
- elongation at break  $\pm 40\%$ .

#### 7.12 Water absorption on sheath

The test shall be carried out on the complete cable in accordance with EN 60811-1-3, 9.2, using the following conditions:

- temperature of water  $(70 \pm 2)^\circ\text{C}$ ;
- immersion duration 168 h.

At the completion of the test the maximum weight increase shall not exceed  $15 \text{ mg/cm}^2$ .

#### 7.13 Ozone resistance

The test shall be carried out in accordance with EN 50305, 7.4.2, using either Method A or Method B, as given below.

NOTE The choice of test Method A or B may be made by the supplier.

**Method A**

- ozone concentration (by volume) (%)  $(250\text{--}300) \times 10^{-4}$ ;
- test temperature  $(25 \pm 2)^\circ\text{C}$ ;
- test duration 24 h;
- test requirement no cracks.

**Method B**

- ozone concentration (by volume) (%)  $(200 \pm 50) \times 10^{-6}$ ;
- test temperature  $(40 \pm 2)^\circ\text{C}$ ;
- test duration 72 h;
- test requirement no cracks.

**7.14 Mineral oil resistance**

The test shall be carried out in accordance with EN 60811-2-1, Clause 10, using the following conditions:

Compound type EI 101, EI 102, EM 101, EM 102

Treatment:

- type of oil IRM 902;
- temperature  $(100 \pm 2)^\circ\text{C}$ ;
- duration 24 h.

Compound type EI 103, EI 104, EM 103, EM 104

Treatment:

- type of oil IRM 902;
- temperature  $(100 \pm 2)^\circ\text{C}$ ;
- duration 72 h.

The maximum variation shall be

- for the tensile strength  $\pm 30\%$ ;
- for the elongation at break  $\pm 40\%$

for each insulation and sheathing compound.

**7.15 Fuel resistance**

The test shall be carried out in accordance with EN 60811-2-1, Clause 10, using the following conditions:

Compound type EI 103, EI 104, EM 103, EM 104

Treatment:

- type of liquid IRM 903;
- temperature  $(70 \pm 2)^\circ\text{C}$ ;
- duration 168 h.

The maximum variation shall be

- for tensile strength  $\pm 30\%$ ;
- for elongation at break  $\pm 40\%$

for each insulating and sheathing compound.

#### **7.16 Acid and alkali resistance**

Compound type EI 101, EI 102, EI 103, EI 104, EM 101, EM 102, EM 103 and EM 104

Treatment:

- type of acid N-oxalic acid solution;
- type of alkali N-sodium hydroxide solution;
- temperature  $(23 \pm 2)^\circ\text{C}$ ;
- duration 168 h.

Requirements

- maximum variation of tensile strength  $\pm 30\%$ ;
- minimum elongation at break 100 %

for each insulating and sheathing compound.

NOTE Two separate tests are required; one in acid solution and one in alkali solution.

#### **7.17 Bending test at low temperature (cables with OD $\leq 12,5\text{ mm}$ )**

- a) For compounds type EI 101, EI 103, EM 101 and EM 103 the test shall be carried out at  $(-25 \pm 2)^\circ\text{C}$  in accordance with EN 60811-1-4, 8.1 or 8.2.
- b) For compounds type EI 102, EI 104, EI 105, EM 102 and EM 104 the test shall be carried out at  $(-40 \pm 2)^\circ\text{C}$  in accordance with EN 60811-1-4, 8.1 or 8.2.

At the conclusion of the test there shall be no cracks in the insulation or sheath.

#### **7.18 Cold elongation test (cables with OD $> 12,5\text{ mm}$ )**

- a) For compounds type EI 101, EI 103, EM 101 and EM 103 the test shall be carried out at  $(-25 \pm 2)^\circ\text{C}$  in accordance with EN 60811-1-4, 8.3 or 8.4.
- b) For compounds type EI 102, EI 104, EI 105, EM 102 and EM 104 the test shall be carried out at  $(-40 \pm 2)^\circ\text{C}$  in accordance with EN 60811-1-4, 8.3 or 8.4.

The minimum elongation at break for all compounds shall be 30 %.

#### **7.19 Impact test at low temperature**

For compounds type EI 102, EI 104, EI 105, EM 102 and EM 104 the test shall be carried out at  $(-25 \pm 2)^\circ\text{C}$  in accordance with EN 50305, 5.1.

NOTE These compounds are described as “extra low temperature resistant”.

At the conclusion of the test there shall be no cracks in the sheath, nor on the outside of the insulation.

#### **7.20 Reaction to fire – Cable**

The completed cable shall conform to the requirements given in EN 50264-1, Clause 8.

#### **7.21 Reaction to fire – Components**

Samples of insulation, sheath and where applicable conductor screening and tapes, shall conform to the requirements given in EN 50264-1, Clause 9.

**Table 5 – Schedule of tests for cables**

1	2	3	4	5	6
Ref No.	Test	Category of test	Test method described in		Requirement given in clause <sup>a</sup>
			EN	Clause	
<b>1</b>	<b>Electrical tests</b>				
1.1	Conductor resistance	T, S	50305	6.1	7.2
1.2	Voltage test on cable	T, S	50305	6.2.1	7.3
1.3	Dielectric strength on sample	T	50305	6.8	7.5
1.4	Surface resistance	T	50305	6.6	7.8
1.5	Spark test on insulation	R	50305	6.5	7.6
1.6	Insulation resistance (20 °C)	T, S	50305	6.4.1	7.4
1.7	Insulation resistance (90 °C)	T	50305	6.4.2	7.4
1.8	D.C. stability	T	50305	6.7	7.7
<b>2</b>	<b>Provisions covering constructional and dimensional characteristics</b>				
2.1	Checking of compliance with constructional provisions	T, S	Inspection & manual tests		6.1 & 6.7
2.2	Conductor material and construction	T, S	Visual examination		6.2
2.3	Insulation a) Application	S	50264-1	6.1	6.5 & EN 50264-1, 6.2.3
	b) Thickness	T, S	Visual examination		Tables 1-4 & EN 50264-1, 6.2.4
2.4	Core identification	S	60811-1-1	8.1	5.2
2.5	Sheath a) Application	S	Visual examination & measurement		6.6 & EN 50264-1, 6.5.2
	b) Thickness	T, S	60811-1-1	8.2	Tables 3 & 4 & EN 50264-1, 6.5.3
2.6	Overall diameter	T, S	60811-1-1	8.3	EN 50264-1, 6.6
2.7	Cable marking and identification	T, S	Visual examination & measurement		5.1 and Annex A

**Table 5 – Schedule of tests for cables (continued)**

1	2	3	4	5	6
Ref No.	Test	Category of test	Test method described in		Requirement given in clause <sup>a</sup>
3	<b>Tests for insulating and sheathing materials</b>				
3.1	Non-electrical test				
3.1.1	Tensile test in the state as delivery a) insulation b) sheath	T, S	60811-1-1 60811-1-1	9.1 9.2	EN 50264-1, Table 2a EN 50264-1, Table 4
3.1.2	Tensile test before and after ageing in air oven a) insulation b) sheath	T	60811-1-2 and: 60811-1-1	8.1 9.1	EN 50264-1, Table 2a EN 50264-1, Table 4
3.1.3	Hot set test a) insulation b) sheath	T, S	60811-2-1	9	7.10 7.10
3.1.4	Water absorption on sheath (gravimetric)	T	60811-1-3	9.2	7.12
3.1.5	Ozone resistance a) insulation b) sheath	T	50305	7.4.2	7.13 7.13
3.1.6	Mineral oil resistance a) insulation <sup>b</sup> b) sheath	T	60811-2-1	10	7.14 7.14
3.1.7	Fuel resistance a) insulation <sup>b</sup> b) sheath	T	60811-2-1	10	7.15 7.15
3.1.8	Acid and alkaline resistance a) insulation <sup>b</sup> b) sheath	T	60811-2-1	10	7.16 7.16
3.1.9	Assessment of halogens a) insulation b) non-metallic components c) sheath	T, S	50264-1, Annexes A & B		EN 50264-1, 9.1
3.1.10	Toxicity	T	50305	9.2	EN 50264-1, 9.2

**Table 5 – Schedule of tests for cables (continued)**

1	2	3	4	5	6
Ref No.	Test	Category of test	Test method described in		Requirement given in clause <sup>a</sup>
<b>4</b>	<b>Tests on complete cable</b>				
4.1	Bending test at low temperature <sup>c</sup>	T	60811-1-4	8.1 or 8.2	7.17
4.2	Elongation test at low temperature <sup>d</sup>	T	60811-1-4	8.3 or 8.4	7.18
4.3	Impact test at low temperature <sup>e</sup>	T	50305	5.1	7.19
4.4	Compatibility	T	50305	7.1	7.11
4.5	Flame propagation				
4.5.1	One vertical cable	T, S	60332-1-2		EN 50264-1, 8.1
4.5.2	Bunched cables ≥ 12 mm	T	50266-2-4 NMV 1,5 l/m		EN 50264-1, 8.2.1
	> 6 mm and < 12 mm	T	50266-2-5 NMV 0,5 l/m		EN 50264-1, 8.2.2
	≤ 6 mm	T	50305	9.1.2	EN 50264-1, 8.2.3
4.6	Smoke emission	T	61034-2		EN 50264-1, 8.3

<sup>a</sup> According to EN 50264-2-1 unless otherwise stated.  
<sup>b</sup> Not for EI 105 insulation – see also EN 50264-1, Annex C.  
<sup>c</sup> The test is only applicable to cables with OD ≤ 12,5 mm.  
<sup>d</sup> The test is only applicable to cables with OD > 12,5 mm.  
<sup>e</sup> Only for extra low temperature resistant types.

**Annex A**  
(normative)**Code designation****A.1 Code designations**

The cable shall be identified by one or two letters, the first of which shall identify the insulation compound, and the second the sheathing compound (where applicable).

## Insulation system

C	EI 101
F	EI 102
J	EI 103
M	EI 104
O	EI 105

## Sheath

C	EM 101
F	EM 102
J	EM 103
M	EM 104

**A.2 Additional codes**

Additional letters shall be added after the code designation to identify specific cable parameters, as follows:

S      cable with metallic screen

NOTE    The use of these codes as part of the complete marking is shown in 5.1.

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