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## COAXIAL COMMUNICATION CABLES –

### Part 6-3: Detail specification for 75-5 type CATV drop cables

#### 1 Scope

This part of IEC 61196 applies to coaxial communication cables described in IEC 61196-6. It specifies the requirements for 75-5 type CATV drop cables. These cables are used in CATV distribution systems, surveillance and control systems, satellite television receiving systems and as bidirectional hybrid fibre coax (HFC). The operating frequency is from 5 MHz to 3 000 MHz.

This part of IEC 61196 is to be used in conjunction with IEC 61196-1:2005 and IEC 61196-6:2009. It determines the layout and style with respect to the model and type.

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NOTE Documents which are needed to achieve the tests according to Clause 4, item [8] or item [9], respectively, are listed in IEC 61196-6.

IEC 61196-1:2005, *Coaxial communication cables – Part 1: Generic specification – General, definitions and requirements*

IEC 61196-1-115, *Coaxial communication cables – Part 1-115: Electrical test methods – Test for regularity of impedance (pulse/step function return loss)*

IEC 61196-1-314:2015, *Coaxial communication cables – Part 1-314: Mechanical test methods – Test for bending*

IEC 61196-6:2009, *Coaxial communication cables – Part 6: Sectional specification for CATV drop cables*

IEC 62153-4-3, *Metallic communication cable test methods – Part 4-3: Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) – Surface transfer impedance – Triaxial method*

IEC 62153-4-4, *Metallic communication cable test methods – Part 4-4: Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) – Test method for measuring of the screening attenuation as up to and above 3 GHz, triaxial method*

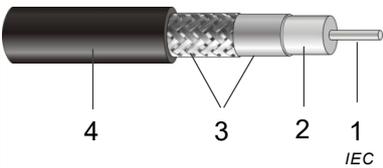
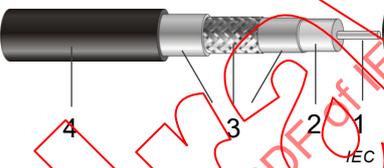
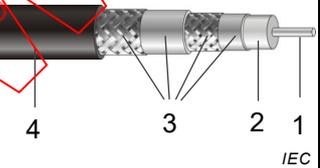
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[3] Available from: IEC		[4] Generic specification: IEC 61196-1 Sectional specification: IEC 61196-6		
[5] Additional references				
[6] Cable construction				
75-5S (Dual shield)		75-5T (Tri-shield)		75-5Q (Quad shield)
				
1: Inner conductor		2: Dielectric		3: Shield
				4: Sheath or jacket
Variant <sup>a</sup> constructions		75-5S	75-5T	75-5Q
Inner conductor	Material	BC or CCS		
	Diameter (mm)	1,02		
	Tolerance (mm)	± 0,02		
Dielectric	Material	Foamed PE		
	Diameter (mm)	4,57		
	Tolerance (mm)	± 0,13		
Outer conductor or shield	Material	ALT+A or ALT+TC	ALT+A+ALT or ALT+TC+ALT	ALT+A+ALT+A or ALT+TC+ALT+TC
	Inner shield diameter (mm)	4,78		
	Tolerance (mm)	± 0,13		
	Longitudinally overlap (%)	18 – 35		
	Braid coverage (%)	≥ 59	≥ 59	Inner braid ≥ 59
Maximum outer diameter (mm)	5,55	5,75	6,40	

<b>Sheath or jacket</b>	Material	PE or PVC or LSZH		
	Minimum thickness (mm)	0,60	0,60	0,50
	Diameter (mm)	6,93	7,06	7,54
	Tolerance (mm)	± 0,20		
<sup>a</sup> Variants are shown in Annex A. NOTE: BC – Bare copper wire CCS – Copper clad steel wire ALT – Aluminium-polymeric laminated tape A – Aluminium alloy wire TC – Tinned copper wire PE – Polyethylene PVC – Polyvinylchloride LSZH – Low smoke zero halogen polyolefin				

<b>[7] Engineering information (reference only)</b>	
Operating temperature range	-40 °C to 70 °C (PE Sheath) -20 °C to 70 °C (PVC Sheath) -15 °C to 70 °C (LSZH Sheath)
Operating frequency range	5 MHz to 3 000 MHz
Nominal characteristic impedance	75 Ω
Minimum bending radius	10D (D is the nominal cable outer diameter)
Relative propagation velocity	85 % (nominal)
Maximum current carrying capacity	8 A (20 °C); 6 A (40 °C)
Cable identification and marking	See Annex A.

[8] Parameter or characteristic	[9] Subclause of IEC 61196-6:2009	[10] Value	[11] Remarks
Electrical testing of finished cable	7.1		
Low-frequency and DC electrical measurements	7.1.1		
Conductor resistance			
Inner conductor		≤ 21,10 Ω/km (BC conductor) ≤ 102,00 Ω/km (CCS conductor)	
Outer conductor	7.1.1.1	≤ 33,00 Ω/km (ALT+A) ≤ 17,20 Ω/km (ALT+TC) ≤ 25,50 Ω/km (ALT+A+ALT) ≤ 14,50 Ω/km (ALT+TC+ALT) ≤ 22,00 Ω/km (ALT+A+ALT+A) ≤ 11,00 Ω/km (ALT+TC+ALT+TC)	at 20 °C
Insulation resistance	7.1.1.2	≥ 10 000 MΩ·km	
Withstand voltage of dielectric	7.1.1.3	1,5 kV AC, 1 min 2,1 kV DC, 1 min	
Withstand voltage of sheath	7.1.1.4	2,5 kV AC, 1 min 3,5 kV DC, 1 min	

[8] Parameter or characteristic	[9] Subclause of IEC 61196-6:2009	[10] Value	[11] Remarks
Current carrying capacity	7.1.1.5		see [7]
Spark test	7.1.1.6	2,5 kV AC 50 Hz, or 3 kV AC 15 kHz, or 3.75 kV DC	
<b>High-frequency electrical and transmission measurements</b>	7.1.2		
Characteristic impedance	7.1.2.1	75 Ω ± 3 Ω	measured at 200 MHz
Relative propagation velocity	7.1.2.2		see [7]
Return loss (uniformity of impedance)	7.1.2.3	≥ 20 dB (5 MHz to 1 000 MHz) ≥ 18 dB (1 000 MHz to 2 000 MHz) ≥ 16 dB (1 000 MHz to 3 000 MHz)	The measurement inaccuracy Δα <sub>r</sub> shall be < 1 dB
Attenuation constant, α	7.1.2.4	Not exceed the values specified in Annex B.	at 20 °C
Regularity of impedance	7.1.2.5	≥ 40 dB resp. ≤ 1 %	Perform on both ends of the cable  Test procedure: IEC 61196-1-115
Transfer impedance after flex	7.1.2.6	a) Dual shield cable: no more than screening class C: ≤ 50 mΩ/m from 5 MHz to 30 MHz b) Tri-shield cable: no more than screening class B: ≤ 15 mΩ/m from 5 MHz to 30MHz c) Quad-shield cable: no more than screening class A: ≤ 5 mΩ/m from 5 MHz to 30 MHz	The flexure test according to IEC 61196-1-314:2015, 8.3.3, Procedure 2: a) Radius: 10 × cable diameter b) Tension: 5 N c) Speed: ≤ 1 m/s d) Number of cycles: 3  After flexure test, measure the transfer impedance according to IEC 62153-4-3.
Screening attenuation after flex	7.1.2.7	a) Dual shield cable: no less than screening class A: ≥ 85 dB from 30 MHz to 1 000 MHz ≥ 75 dB from 1 000 MHz to 2 000MHz ≥ 65 dB from 2 000 MHz to 3 000 MHz b) Tri-shield cable: no less than screening class A: ≥ 85 dB from 30 MHz to 1 000 MHz ≥ 75 dB from 1 000 MHz to 2 000 MHz ≥ 65 dB from 2 000 MHz to 3 000 MHz c) Quad-shield cable: no less than screening class A+: ≥ 95 dB from 30 MHz to 1 000 MHz ≥ 85 dB from 1 000 MHz to 2 000 MHz ≥ 75 dB from 2 000 MHz to 3 000 MHz	The flexure test according to IEC 61196-1-314:2015, 8.3.3, Procedure 2: a) Radius: 10 × cable diameter b) Tension: 5 N c) Speed: ≤ 1 m/s d) Number of cycles: 3  After flexure test, measure the screening attenuation according to IEC 62153-4-4.

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<b>Environmental testing of finished cable</b>	7.2		
Cold bend	7.2.1	No physical damages of sheath	a) Test method: Method B b) Mandrel diameter: 20 × cable diameter c) Test temperature: PE Sheath: -40 °C ± 2 °C PVC Sheath: -20 °C ± 2 °C LSZH Sheath: -15 °C ± 2 °C
Water penetration	7.2.2	Not applicable	
Climatic sequence	7.2.3	a) No physical damages of sheath b) Magnitude of change in attenuation constant is no more than 7 % in Annex B	a) Test temperature: PE sheath: $T_A = -40\text{ °C}$ , $T_B = 70\text{ °C}$ ; PVC sheath: $T_A = -20\text{ °C}$ , $T_B = 70\text{ °C}$ LSZH sheath: $T_A = -15\text{ °C}$ , $T_B = 70\text{ °C}$ b) $t_1$ : 24 h c) Number of cycles: 3
Damp heat (steady state)	7.2.4	a) No physical damages of sheath b) Insulation resistance is no less than 10 000 MΩ·km c) Magnitude of change in attenuation constant is no more than 7 % in Annex B	
Ultraviolet stability of sheath or jacket	7.2.5	a) No visual cracks b) Magnitude of change in elongation ≤ 20 % c) Magnitude of change in tensile strength ≤ 20 %	Test times: 720 h
Thermal ageing	7.2.6	a) No physical damages of sheath b) Magnitude of change in attenuation constant is no more than 7 % in Annex B	a) Test temperature: 80 °C ± 2 °C b) Test times: 168 h
<b>Mechanical characteristics of finished cable</b>	7.3		
Ovality of dielectric	7.3.1	≤ 5 %	
Ovality of sheath	7.3.2	≤ 7 %	
Eccentricity of dielectric	7.3.3	≤ 10 %	
Eccentricity of sheath	7.3.4	≤ 10 %	
Carbon black content, where applicable	7.3.5	≥ 2 %	Only applicable to PE sheath

[8] Parameter or characteristic	[9] Subclause of IEC 61196-6:2009	[10] Value	[11] Remarks
Tensile strength and elongation of the copper or copper-clad metals	7.3.6	a) CCS inner conductor Tensile strength: $\geq 760$ MPa Elongation: $\geq 1$ % b) BC inner conductor Tensile strength: Not applicable Elongation: $\geq 25$ %	
Torsion test for copper-clad metals	7.3.7	CCS inner conductor shall meet the requirement: After 20 twists, the examination of the surface shall not reveal any seams, pits or slivers of sufficient magnitude inherent defects. After continued twisting the wire to destruction, the examination of the ends shall not reveal any separation between the copper and the metal core wire.	Only applicable to CCS inner conductor
Adhesion testing: Inner conductor to dielectric	7.3.8	22 N – 89 N	a) Test temperature: $20\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C} \pm 5\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ b) Specimen length: 50 mm
Bending	7.3.9	a) No physical damage of the sheath b) Screening attenuation shall be $\geq 65$ dB (30 MHz to 1 000 MHz)	The bending test according to IEC 61196-1-314:2015, Clause 5: a) Test mandrel radius: $10 \times$ cable diameter b) Number of cycles: 500 c) Test angle: $\pm 90^{\circ}$ d) Test temperature: $20\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C} \pm 5\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ e) Load: 10 N After bending, measure the Screening attenuation according to IEC 62153-4-4
Tensile strength of cable (longitudinal pull)	7.3.10	When required by users, according to the manufacturer specifications	
Crush resistance of cable	7.3.11	a) No physical damage of the sheath b) After a 2 min recovery time, the maximum impedance irregularity shall be $\delta 1$ %, when measured in accordance with IEC 61196-1-115	a) Test load: 700 N b) Test time: 2 min
Abrasion resistance	7.3.12	When required by users, according to the manufacturer specifications	