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### Part 6-20: Indoor-outdoor cables – Family specification for flame retardant outdoor cables

#### 1 Scope

This part of IEC 60794 is a family specification covering optical fibre outdoor cables which are flame retardant and thus also applicable to indoor environments. These cables generally possess the characteristics associated with outdoor cable designs having similar thermal and mechanical robustness that makes them suitable for use in the outside plant, while simultaneously exhibiting the fire performance required in indoor premises. A typical application is for example the extension of a "shorter length" of an outdoor cable into the building.

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IEC 60332-1 (all parts), *Tests on electric and optical fibre cables under fire conditions – Part 1: Test for vertical flame propagation for a single insulated wire or cable*

IEC 60332-3 (all parts), *Tests on electric and optical fibre cables under fire conditions – Part 3: Test for vertical flame spread of vertically-mounted bunched wires or cables*

IEC 60754-2, *Test on gases evolved during combustion of materials from cables – Part 2: Determination of acidity (by pH measurement) and conductivity*

IEC 60793-2-10:2019, *Optical fibres – Part 2-10: Product specifications – Sectional specification for category A1 multimode fibres*

IEC 60793-2-50:2018, *Optical fibres – Part 2-50: Product specifications – Sectional specification for class B single-mode fibres*

IEC 60794-1-1, *Optical fibre cables – Part 1-1: Generic specification – General*

IEC 60794-1-21, *Optical fibre cables – Part 1-21: Generic specification – Basic optical cable test procedures – Mechanical test methods*

IEC 60794-1-22:2017, *Optical fibre cables – Part 1-22: Generic specification – Basic optical cable test procedures – Environmental test methods*

IEC 60794-1-23, *Optical fibre cables – Part 1-23: Generic specification – Basic optical cable test procedures – Cable element test methods*

IEC 60794-1-24, *Optical fibre cables – Part 1-24: Generic specification – Basic optical cable test procedures – Electrical test methods*

IEC 60794-1-31:2018, *Optical fibre cables – Part 1-31: Generic specification – Optical cable elements – Optical fibre ribbon*

IEC 60794-1-215, *Optical fibre cables – Part 1-215: Generic specification – Basic optical cable test procedures – Environmental test methods – Cable external freezing test, Method F15*

IEC 60794-3:2014, *Optical fibre cables – Part 3: Outdoor cables – Sectional specification*

IEC 60794-3-10:2015, *Optical fibre cables – Part 3-10: Outdoor cables – Family specification for duct, directly buried and lashed aerial optical telecommunication cables*

IEC 60794-4:2018, *Optical fibre cables – Part 4: Sectional specification – Aerial optical cables along electrical power lines*

IEC 60794-5:2014, *Optical fibre cables – Part 5: Sectional specification – Microduct cabling for installation by blowing*

IEC 60811-202, *Electric and optical fibre cables – Test methods for non-metallic materials – Part 202: General tests – Measurement of thickness of non-metallic sheath*

IEC 60811-203, *Electric and optical fibre cables – Test methods for non-metallic materials – Part 203: General tests – Measurement of overall dimensions*

IEC 60811-406, *Electric and optical fibre cables – Test methods for non-metallic materials – Part 406: Miscellaneous tests – Resistance to stress cracking of polyethylene and polypropylene compounds*

IEC 61034 (all parts), *Measurement of smoke density of cables burning under defined conditions*

ISO 4892-2:2013, *Plastics – Methods of exposure to laboratory light sources – Part 2: Xenon-arc lamps*

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#### **4.2 Cable elements**

The cable elements shall conform to IEC 60794-3, IEC 60794-4, IEC 60794-5.