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## OPTICAL FIBRE CABLES –

### Part 4-30: Aerial optical cables along electrical power lines – Family specification for optical phase conductor (OPPC) optical cables

#### 1 Scope

This part of IEC 60794, which is a family specification, specifies the optical fibre, cable elements, cable construction requirements, main requirements for installation and operating conditions, cable design characteristics and test for OPPC (optical phase conductor), used for carrying current as well as communication and data transmission. The corresponding environmental declaration can be built according to IEC TR 62839-1.

The OPPC is a substitute for a conventional phase bare conductor containing optical fibres. Usually, the fibres are embedded loosely in protective buffer tubes. To fulfil mechanical and electrical requirements, an armouring of one or more layers with aluminium, aluminium alloy, and aluminium clad steel, galvanized steel or a mixture of them is helically stranded.

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IEC 60104, *Aluminium-magnesium-silicon alloy wire for overhead line conductors*

IEC 60468, *Method of measurement of resistivity of metallic materials*

IEC 60793-1-40, *Optical fibres – Part 1-40: Attenuation measurement methods*

IEC 60793-2-50, *Optical fibres – Part 2-50: Product specifications – Sectional specifications 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*

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

IEC 60888, *Zinc-coated steel wires for stranded conductors*

IEC 60889, *Hard-drawn aluminium wire for overhead line conductors*

IEC 61089, *Round wire concentric lay overhead electrical stranded conductors*

IEC 61232, *Aluminium-clad steel wires for electrical purposes*

IEC 61394, *Overhead lines – Requirements for greases for aluminium, aluminium alloy and steel bare conductors*

IEC 61395, *Overhead electrical conductors – Creep test procedures for stranded conductors*

IEC 62219, *Overhead electrical conductors – Formed wire, concentric lay, stranded conductors*

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#### 3.1

##### **optical phase conductor**

##### **OPPC**

metallic hybrid optical cable that has the dual performance functions of a conventional phase conductor with telecommunication capabilities

#### 3.2

##### **current-carrying capacity**

calculated value for the maximum continuous current carrying capacity without degradation of any element of the cable under specific conditions

Note 1 to entry: The value depends on various parameters (e.g. solar, wind speed, ambient temperature).

Note 2 to entry: If the construction contains an aluminium tube or aluminium slotted core, these elements are considered conductive parts.

#### 3.3

##### **operation temperature**

steady state temperature the OPPC cable will reach during standard operation at the current carrying capacity, without degradation of any element's performance requirements under specific conditions

#### 3.4

##### **emergency condition temperature**

maximum temperature the OPPC cable will reach during emergency operation for a limited period of time during cable's lifetime without degradation of any element's performance requirements