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## OPTICAL FIBRE CABLES –

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#### 1 Scope

This part of IEC 60794 defines a test standard to determine the optical performance and temperature characteristics of a hybrid cable under the maximum current.

This document applies to optical phase conductor (OPPC). An optical phase conductor is made of multiple metallic wires that are exposed to the environment without any insulating or protective sheath and contain optical fibres.

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IEC TR 61597, *Overhead electrical conductors – Calculation methods for stranded bare conductors*

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#### 4 Method H4 – Current-temperature test

##### 4.1 Object

The object of this test is to verify that the temperature of the sample and the attenuation of monitored optical fibres comply with the general optical requirements during the maximum current test.

##### 4.2 Lab conditions

Tests shall be carried out in a natural convection lab, and the temperature shall be  $23\text{ °C} \pm 5\text{ °C}$  without wind or solar radiation.