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IEC 60093	1980	Methods of test for volume resistivity and surface resistivity of solid electrical insulating materials	HD 429 S1 <sup>1)</sup>	1983
IEC 60212	2010	Standard conditions for use prior to and during the testing of solid electrical insulating materials	EN 60212	2011
IEC 60216	Series	Electrical insulating materials - Thermal endurance properties	EN 60216	Series
IEC 60216-4-1	2006	Electrical insulating materials - Thermal endurance properties - Part 4-1: Ageing ovens - Single-chamber ovens	EN 60216-4-1	2006
IEC 60216-4-2	2000	Electrical insulating materials - Thermal endurance properties - Part 4-2: Ageing ovens - Precision ovens for use up to 300 °C	EN 60216-4-2	2000
IEC 60243-1	1998	Electrical strength of insulating materials - Test methods - Part 1: Tests at power frequencies	EN 60243-1	1998
IEC 60250 <sup>2)</sup>	1969	Recommended methods for the determination - of the permittivity and dielectric dissipation factor of electrical insulating materials at power, audio and radio frequencies including metre wavelengths		-
IEC 60426	2007	Electrical insulating materials - Determination of electrolytic corrosion caused by insulating materials - Test methods	EN 60426	2007
IEC 60587	2007	Electrical insulating materials used under severe ambient conditions - Test methods for evaluating resistance to tracking and erosion	EN 60587	2007
IEC 60589	1977	Methods of test for the determination of ionic impurities in electrical insulating materials by extraction with liquids	HD 381 S1	1979

<sup>1)</sup> HD 429 S1 is superseded by EN 62631-1:2011, which is based on IEC 62631-1:2011.

<sup>2)</sup> IEC 60250 is superseded by IEC 62631-1:2011.

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IEC 60684-3	Series	Flexible insulating sleeving - Part 3: Specification for individual types of sleeving	EN 60684-3	Series
IEC 60695-6-30	1996	Fire hazard testing - Part 6: Guidance and test methods on the assessment of obscuration hazard of vision caused by smoke opacity from electrotechnical products involved in fires - Section 30: Small-scale static method - Determination of smoke opacity - Description of the apparatus	-	-
IEC/TS 60695-11-21	-	Fire hazard testing - Part 11-21: Test flames - 500 W vertical flame test method for tubular polymeric materials	-	-
IEC 60754-1	1994	Test on gases evolved during combustion of materials from cables - Part 1: Determination of the amount of halogen acid gas	-	-
IEC 60754-2 (mod)	1991	Test on gases evolved during combustion of electric cables - Part 2: Determination of degree of acidity of gases evolved during the combustion of materials taken from electric cables by measuring pH and conductivity	HD 602 S1 <sup>3)</sup>	1992
ISO 5-1	2009	Photography and graphic technology - Density- measurements - Part 1: Geometry and functional notation	-	-
ISO 5-2	2009	Photography and graphic technology - Density- measurements - Part 2: Geometric conditions for transmittance density	-	-
ISO 5-3	2009	Photography and graphic technology - Density- measurements - Part 3: Spectral conditions	-	-
ISO 5-4	2009	Photography and graphic technology - Density- measurements - Part 4: Geometric conditions for reflection density	-	-
ISO 37	2005	Rubber, vulcanized or thermoplastic - Determination of tensile stress-strain properties	-	-
ISO 62	2008	Plastics - Determination of water absorption	EN ISO 62	2008
ISO 105-A02	-	Textiles - Tests for colour fastness - Part A02: Grey scale for assessing change in colour	-	-
ISO 105-B01	-	Textiles - Tests for colour fastness - Part B01: Colour fastness to light: Daylight	EN ISO 105-B01	-

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ISO 182-2	1990	Plastics - Determination of the tendency of compounds and products based on vinyl chloride homopolymers and copolymers to evolve hydrogen chloride and any other acidic products at elevated temperature - Part 2: pH method	EN ISO 182-2	1999
ISO 974	2000	Plastics - Determination of the brittleness temperature by impact	-	-
ISO 1431-1	2004	Rubber, vulcanized or thermoplastic - Resistance to ozone cracking - Part 1: Static and dynamic strain testing	-	-
ISO 4589-2	1996	Plastics - Determination of burning behaviour by oxygen index - Part 2: Ambient-temperature test	EN ISO 4589-2	1999
ISO 4589-3	1996	Plastics - Determination of burning behaviour by oxygen index - Part 3: Elevated-temperature test	EN ISO 4589-3	1996
ISO 13943	2008	Fire safety - Vocabulary	EN ISO 13943	2010

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## INTRODUCTION

This International Standard is one of a series which deals with flexible insulating sleeving. The series consists of three parts:

Part 1: Definitions and general requirements (IEC 60684-1)

Part 2: Methods of test (IEC 60684-2)

Part 3: Specifications for individual types of sleeving (IEC 60684-3)

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## FLEXIBLE INSULATING SLEEVING –

### Part 2: Methods of test

#### 1 General

##### 1.1 Scope

This part of IEC 60684 gives methods of test for flexible insulating sleeving, including heat-shrinkable sleeving, intended primarily for insulating electrical conductors and connections of electrical apparatus, although they may be used for other purposes.

The tests specified are designed to control the quality of the sleeving but it is recognized that they do not completely establish the suitability of sleeving for impregnation or encapsulation processes or for other specialized applications. Where necessary, the test methods in this part will need to be supplemented by appropriate impregnation or compatibility tests to suit the individual circumstances.

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## 2 Test conditions

**2.1** Unless otherwise specified, all tests shall be made under standard ambient conditions according to IEC 60212; i.e., at a temperature between 15 °C and 35 °C and at ambient relative humidity.

In cases of dispute, the tests shall be carried out at a temperature of 23 °C ± 2 K and at (50 ± 5) % relative humidity.

**2.2** When heating at elevated temperature is specified for a test procedure, the specimen shall be maintained for the prescribed period in a uniformly heated oven complying with IEC 60216-4-1.

**2.3** Where a test at low temperature is specified, the specification sheets of IEC 60684-3 may require it to be carried out at  $-t$  °C or lower. In such cases the operator may carry out the test at the specified temperature or any lower temperature which is convenient. If, however, at a temperature below that specified the specimen fails to meet the requirements, the test shall be repeated at the specified temperature, subject to a tolerance of ± 3 K as specified in IEC 60212. If the specimen then passes, it shall be considered to have met the requirements.

## 3 Measurements of bore, wall thickness and concentricity

NOTE Within this standard, the terms "bore" and "internal diameter" are interchangeable.

### 3.1 Bore

#### 3.1.1 Number of test specimens

Three specimens shall be tested.

#### 3.1.2 General method

Plug or taper gauges of appropriate diameter shall be used to establish that the bore lies between the maximum and minimum specified values. The gauge shall enter the bore without causing expansion of the sleeving. A lubricant in powder form will assist when some types of sleeving are being measured. For small bore sizes a micrometer microscope may be used and measurements shall be made to the nearest 0,05 mm.