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European foreword

This document (EN 13501-3:2025) has been prepared by Technical Committee CEN/TC 127 “Fire safety in buildings”, the secretariat of which is held by BSI.

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- paragraphs related to fire protective systems for electric cable systems; unprotected electric cables with intrinsic fire resistance; unprotected small electric cables with intrinsic fire resistance the added paragraphs are: 5.1.5; 5.1.6; 5.1.7; 6.5.3; 6.5.4; 6.5.5; 7.2.4; 7.2.5; 7.2.6. Improving the text by replacing Declaration of fire resistance performance by Declaration of fire resistance classification avoiding the misinterpretation in relation with the text in regulation n° 305/2011/EC;
- adding an Annex B (normative) on *Additional fire damper classifications if declared*.

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EN 13501 consists of the following parts:

- *Part 1: Classification using data from reaction to fire tests;*
- *Part 2: Classification using data from fire resistance tests, excluding ventilation services;*
- *Part 3: Classification using data from fire resistance tests on products and elements used in building service installations: fire resistant ventilation ducts and fire dampers and/or power, control and communication cables;*
- *Part 4: Classification using data from fire resistance tests on components of smoke control systems;*
- *Part 5: Classification using data from external fire exposure to roofs tests;*
- *Part 6: Classification using data from, reaction to fire tests on power, control and communication cables.*

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Introduction

The aim of this document is to define a harmonized procedure for the classification for resistance to fire of construction products and building elements. This classification is based on the test procedures listed in Clause 2 and the relevant field of application procedures.

This document is prepared in support of the second essential requirement in the EC Construction Products Regulation (305/2011), which is detailed in the Interpretative Document number 2 (ID2): Safety in case of fire (OJ C62 Vol 37). It reflects the Commission Decision (EU) 2000/367/EC of 03/05/2000 amended by 2003/629/EC of 27/08/2003 and 2011/232/EC of 11/04/2011 as regards the classification of the resistance to fire performance of construction products, construction works and parts thereof.

Commission delegated regulation (EU) 2024/1681 of 6 March 2024 specifies performance and classes regarding fire resistance. These classes are identified by designation letters, each of which refers to an important characteristic of fire resistance behaviour.

This document provides for a common understanding for these requirements. It interprets the functional requirements for the different groups of construction products and building elements and explains the method for deriving their classification on the basis of test results and/or extended application results for individual construction products or building elements.

NOTE Test reports constitute the basis for extended application reports as explained in EN 15725.

CEN, CENELEC and EOTA committees preparing technical specifications which contain performance requirements against fire resistance tests should make reference to the fire resistance classification given in this document and not refer directly to any specific fire test method.

1 Scope

This document specifies the procedure for classification of the resistance to fire performance of construction products and building elements used as components of building service installations, using data from fire resistance tests which are within the direct field of application of the relevant test method. Classification on the basis of extended application of test results is also included in the scope of this document.

Construction products or building elements for use in ventilation systems include (excluding smoke control system):

- fire resisting ventilation ducts;
- fire dampers.

Construction products or building elements for use in or as cables systems:

- unprotected electric cables with intrinsic fire resistance;
- fire protective systems for cable systems and associated components.

Relevant test methods which have been prepared for these construction products/building elements are listed in Clause 2.

NOTE Cables associated with fire dampers are not generally covered by this document unless there is a local regulation that requires it.

2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

EN 1366-1, *Fire resistance tests for service installations — Part 1: Ventilation ducts*

EN 1366-2, *Fire resistance tests for service installations — Part 2: Fire dampers*

EN 1366-11, *Fire resistance tests for service installations — Part 11: Fire protective systems for cable systems and associated components*

EN 15650, *Ventilation for buildings — Fire dampers*

EN 15725, *Extended application on the fire performance of construction products and building elements: Principle of EXAP standards and EXAP reports*

EN 50200, *Method of test for resistance to fire of unprotected small cables for use in emergency circuits*

EN 50289-4-16, *Communication cables — Specifications for test methods — Part 4-16: Environmental test methods — Circuit integrity under fire conditions*

EN 50577, *Electric cables — Fire resistance test for unprotected electric cables (P classification)*

EN 50582, *Procedure to assess the circuit integrity of optical fibres in a cable under resistance to fire testing*

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply.