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#### 1 Scope

This part of IEC 60794 is a family specification that covers drinking water pipe cables and subducts for installation by blowing and/or pulling/dragging/floating in drinking water pipes. Systems built with components covered by this standard are subject to the requirements of sectional specification IEC 60794-3.

Drinking water pipe cable and subduct constructions have to meet the different requirements of the drinking water companies and/or associations regarding chemical, environmental, operational interactions and in general maintenance conditions.

A table of preferential applications, describing drinking water pipe cable characteristics versus methods of installation is reported in Annex A for drinking water pipe cables.

Clause 4 describes a blank detail specification for drinking water pipe cables and subducts for installation by blowing and/or pulling/dragging/floating in drinking water pipes. It incorporates some minimum requirements.

Detail specifications may be prepared on the basis of this family specification.

The parameters specified in this standard may be affected by measurement uncertainty arising either from measurement errors or calibration errors due to lack of suitable standards. Acceptance criteria should be interpreted with respect to this consideration.

The number of fibres tested is representative of the drinking water line cable and should be agreed between the customer and the supplier.

#### 2 Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application 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.

IEC 60304, 1982: *Standard colours for insulation for low-frequency cables and wires*

IEC 60793-1-20, *Optical fibres – Part 1-20: Measurement methods and test procedures – Fibre geometry*

IEC 60793-1-40, *Optical fibres – Part 1-40: Measurement methods and test procedures – Attenuation*

IEC 60793-1-44, *Optical fibres – Part 1-44: Measurement methods and test procedures – Cut-off wavelength*

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

IEC 60793-2-50, *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 60794-1-2, *Optical fibre cables – Part 1-2: Generic specification – Basic optical cable test procedures*

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

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

IEC 60811-1-1, 1993: *Common test methods for insulating and sheathing materials of electric cables and optical cables – Part 1-1: Methods for general application – Measurement of thickness and overall dimensions – Tests for determining the mechanical properties*

IEC 60811-5-1, 1990: *Insulating and sheathing materials of electric and optical cables – Common test methods – Part 5-1: Methods specific to filling compounds – Drop-point – Separation of oil – Lower temperature brittleness – Total acid number – Absence of corrosive components – Permittivity at 23 °C – DC resistivity at 23 °C and 100 °C*

IEC 62305-1, *Protection against lightning – Part 1: General principles*

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