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This is Part 1 of CENELEC standard EN 50483 “Test requirements for low voltage aerial bundled cable accessories”, which has six parts:

- Part 1: Generalities;
- Part 2: Tension and suspension clamps, fittings and brackets for self supporting system;
- Part 3: Tension and suspension clamps for neutral messenger system;
- Part 4: Connectors;
- Part 5: Electrical ageing test;
- Part 6: Environmental testing.

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Introduction

The objective of the EN 50483 series is to provide a method of testing the suitability of accessories when used under normal operating conditions with low voltage aerial bundled cables (ABC) complying with HD 626.

There is variation between the different ABC specifications provided by HD 626, and tests carried out on one of the ABC types may not be completely applicable to ABC of a different specification. Therefore, the purchasers of accessories tested to this European Standard, should ensure that all their requirements are met.

Climate differs across Europe and in order to meet the differing geographic climatic conditions it is necessary to provide a range of tests to meet these variations. A range of optional, additional tests is provided to meet the varying climatic needs and these should be agreed between the customer and the manufacturer and/or the supplier see Annex C in EN 50483-6:2026).

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1 Scope

The EN 50483 series applies to overhead line fittings for tensioning, supporting and connecting aerial bundled cables (ABC) of rated voltage $U_0/U (U_m)$: 0,6/1 (1,2) kV.

The purpose of this Part 1 is to define the common aspects of the products included in the above scope.

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 50483 (all parts), *Test requirements for low voltage aerial bundled cable accessories*

EN 60068-1:2014, *Environmental testing - Part 1: General and guidance (IEC 60068-1:1988 + corrigendum Oct. 1988 +A1:1992)*

HD 626, Overhead distribution cables of rated voltage $U_0/U(U_m)$: 0,6/1 (1,2) kV

IEC 60050-461, *International Electrotechnical Vocabulary (IEV) – Part 461: Electric cables*

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in IEC 60050-461 and the following apply.

ISO and IEC maintain terminology databases for use in standardization at the following addresses:

- ISO Online browsing platform: available at <https://www.iso.org/obp/>
- IEC Electropedia: available at <https://www.electropedia.org/>

3.1

adiabatic

occurring with no addition or loss of heat from the system under consideration

3.2

aerial bundled cable (ABC)

aerial cable consisting of a group of insulated conductors which are twisted together including, or not, a non insulated conductor

Note 1 to entry: The terms bundled conductors, bundled cables, bundled cores, conductor bundles and bundle could be used as equivalent to the term aerial bundled cable (ABC).

[SOURCE: IEC 461-08-02, modified]

3.3

aerial-insulated-cable

insulated cable designed to be suspended overhead and outdoors

[SOURCE: IEC 461-08-01]

3.4

angle of deviation

complementary angle to the angle defined by the two parts of the cable on both sides of the suspension clamp