



IEC 61280-1-1

Edition 2.0 2013-05

INTERNATIONAL STANDARD

**Fibre optic communication subsystem basic test procedures –
Part 1-1: Test procedures for general communication subsystems – Transmitter
output optical power measurement for single-mode optical fibre cable**

INTERNATIONAL
ELECTROTECHNICAL
COMMISSION

PRICE CODE

J

ICS 33.180.01

ISBN 978-2-83220-803-8

Warning! Make sure that you obtained this publication from an authorized distributor.

CONTENTS

FOREWORD.....	3
1 Scope and object.....	5
2 Normative references.....	5
3 Apparatus.....	5
3.1 Optical power meter.....	5
3.2 Input signal source.....	5
3.3 Test cord.....	5
3.4 Calibration.....	6
4 Test sample.....	6
5 Procedure.....	6
6 Calculation.....	7
7 Test results.....	7
7.1 Required information.....	7
7.2 Available information.....	7
Annex A (informative) Taking into account uncertainties.....	8
Bibliography.....	9
Figure 1 – Transmitter output power measurement configuration.....	6

INTERNATIONAL ELECTROTECHNICAL COMMISSION

**FIBRE OPTIC COMMUNICATION SUBSYSTEM
BASIC TEST PROCEDURES –****Part 1-1: Test procedures for general communication subsystems –
Transmitter output optical power measurement
for single-mode optical fibre cable**

FOREWORD

- 1) The International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC) is a worldwide organization for standardization comprising all national electrotechnical committees (IEC National Committees). The object of IEC is to promote international co-operation on all questions concerning standardization in the electrical and electronic fields. To this end and in addition to other activities, IEC publishes International Standards, Technical Specifications, Technical Reports, Publicly Available Specifications (PAS) and Guides (hereafter referred to as "IEC Publication(s)"). Their preparation is entrusted to technical committees; any IEC National Committee interested in the subject dealt with may participate in this preparatory work. International, governmental and non-governmental organizations liaising with the IEC also participate in this preparation. IEC collaborates closely with the International Organization for Standardization (ISO) in accordance with conditions determined by agreement between the two organizations.
- 2) The formal decisions or agreements of IEC on technical matters express, as nearly as possible, an international consensus of opinion on the relevant subjects since each technical committee has representation from all interested IEC National Committees.
- 3) IEC Publications have the form of recommendations for international use and are accepted by IEC National Committees in that sense. While all reasonable efforts are made to ensure that the technical content of IEC Publications is accurate, IEC cannot be held responsible for the way in which they are used or for any misinterpretation by any end user.
- 4) In order to promote international uniformity, IEC National Committees undertake to apply IEC Publications transparently to the maximum extent possible in their national and regional publications. Any divergence between any IEC Publication and the corresponding national or regional publication shall be clearly indicated in the latter.
- 5) IEC itself does not provide any attestation of conformity. Independent certification bodies provide conformity assessment services and, in some areas, access to IEC marks of conformity. IEC is not responsible for any services carried out by independent certification bodies.
- 6) All users should ensure that they have the latest edition of this publication.
- 7) No liability shall attach to IEC or its directors, employees, servants or agents including individual experts and members of its technical committees and IEC National Committees for any personal injury, property damage or other damage of any nature whatsoever, whether direct or indirect, or for costs (including legal fees) and expenses arising out of the publication, use of, or reliance upon, this IEC Publication or any other IEC Publications.
- 8) Attention is drawn to the Normative references cited in this publication. Use of the referenced publications is indispensable for the correct application of this publication.
- 9) Attention is drawn to the possibility that some of the elements of this IEC Publication may be the subject of patent rights. IEC shall not be held responsible for identifying any or all such patent rights.

International Standard IEC 61280-1-1 has been prepared by subcommittee 86C: Fibre optic systems and active devices, of IEC technical committee 86: Fibre optics.

This second edition cancels and replaces the first edition published in 1998. This second edition constitutes a technical revision. The significant technical change with respect to the previous edition is the inclusion of Annex A on how to account for uncertainties. There are editorial corrections throughout the document and updates to references.

The text of this standard is based on the following documents:

CDV	Report on voting
86C/1065/CDV	86C/1098/RVC

Full information on the voting for the approval of this standard can be found in the report on voting indicated in the above table.

This publication has been drafted in accordance with the ISO/IEC Directives, Part 2.

A list of all parts in the IEC 61280 series, published under the general title *Fibre optic communication subsystem basic test procedures*, can be found on the IEC website.

The committee has decided that the contents of this publication will remain unchanged until the stability date indicated on the IEC web site under "<http://webstore.iec.ch>" in the data related to the specific publication. At this date, the publication will be

- reconfirmed,
- withdrawn,
- replaced by a revised edition, or
- amended.

A bilingual version of this publication may be issued at a later date.

FIBRE OPTIC COMMUNICATION SUBSYSTEM BASIC TEST PROCEDURES –

Part 1-1: Test procedures for general communication subsystems – Transmitter output optical power measurement for single-mode optical fibre cable

1 Scope and object

This part of IEC 61280 applies to fibre optic general communication subsystems. The object of this part is to measure the optical power coupled from the output of a transmitter under test into single-mode optical fibre cable containing dispersion-unshifted fibre or dispersion-shifted fibre.

2 Normative references

The following documents, in whole or in part, are normatively referenced in this document and are indispensable for its application. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

IEC 61300-3-35, *Fibre optic interconnecting devices and passive components – Basic test and measurement procedures – Part 3-35: Examinations and measurements – Fibre optic connector endface visual and automated inspection*

IEC 61315, *Calibration of fibre-optic power meters*