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This test is designed for optical fibres having polymeric coatings with nominal outer diameters in the range of 200 µm to 900 µm. ~~Application of this method to fibres with outer coating diameters outside the range of 230 µm to 930 µm is not recommended.~~

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1 Domaine d'application

La présente partie de l'IEC 60793 est destinée principalement aux essais des fibres, dès leur production par un fabricant de fibres, ou après revêtement ultérieur (revêtement protecteur serré) au moyen de divers polymères. L'essai peut être effectué sur des fibres issues de production, ou bien après exposition à divers environnements.

Le présent essai s'applique aux fibres de types A1, A2, A3, B et C avec une dimension de verre nominale de 125 µm.

L'objet du présent document est d'établir des exigences uniformes pour la caractéristique mécanique: dénudabilité du revêtement. Le présent essai permet de quantifier la force exigée pour retirer mécaniquement le revêtement de protection des fibres optiques le long de leur axe longitudinal.

Cet essai n'est pas destiné à augmenter au maximum la résistance de la fibre après retrait du revêtement de protection, ni à spécifier les meilleures conditions pour le dénudage sur site de fibres optiques.

Cet essai est conçu pour les fibres optiques ayant des revêtements polymères avec des diamètres extérieurs nominaux se situant dans la plage comprise entre 200 µm et 900 µm.

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