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## MULTICORE AND SYMMETRICAL PAIR/QUAD CABLES FOR DIGITAL COMMUNICATIONS –

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#### 1 General

##### 1.1 Scope and object

This sectional specification relates to IEC 61156-1:2002. The cables are specifically intended for horizontal floor wiring as defined in ISO/IEC 11801:1995.

This specification defines individually screened or unscreened pair/quad cables, with or without overall common screen for horizontal floor wiring. These cables are suitable for the various communication systems for which the reference is given in the relevant detail specification.

The cables covered by this sectional specification are intended to operate with voltages and currents normally adopted for communication systems. These cables should not be connected to low impedance sources, for example, the public mains electricity supply.

The normal operating temperature range is –40 °C to +60 °C.

##### 1.2 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, *Standard colours for insulation for low-frequency cables and wires*

IEC 61156-1:2002<sup>1)</sup>, *Multicore and symmetrical pair/quad cables for digital communications – Part 1: Generic specification*

IEC 61156-2-1, *Multicore and symmetrical pair/quad cables for digital communications – Part 2-1: Horizontal floor wiring – Blank detail specification*

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<sup>1)</sup> A more recent version of this standard exists (2007), but as not all of the tests cited herein are addressed by the newer edition, it has been decided that the 2002 edition is to be used.