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INTRODUCTION

SC 86B, Fibre optic interconnecting devices and passive components, specifies several passive optical devices. Each passive optical device has generic specification and performance specifications. Generic specifications define terms, definitions and requirements (classifications, documentations, standardization systems and so on). Some basic terms and definitions are defined and used in two or more generic specifications. In order to harmonize terms and definitions in generic specifications, this technical specification defines terms and definitions commonly used in multiple generic specifications.

1 Scope

This part of IEC 62627, which is a Technical Specification, applies to passive optical devices (components). It provides the definitions which are commonly used in the generic specifications, performance standards and tests and measurement standards for passive optical devices (components) prepared by SC 86B. It has the following three types of terms and definitions:

- basic terms and definitions;
- component terms and definitions;
- performance parameter terms and definitions.

The generic specifications for passive optical devices (components) are listed in Annex A.

2 Normative references

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