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bundled— For working voltages
up to and including 0.6/1(1.2) kV**

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PREFACE

This Standard was prepared by the Joint Standards Australia/Standards New Zealand Committee EL/3, Electric Wires and Cables, and is based on a draft Standard prepared by representatives from the Electricity Supply Association of Australia and Australian cable manufacturers. It supersedes AS 3560—1991 and NZS/AS 3560—1991, *Electric cables—XLPE insulated—Aerial bundled—For working voltages up to and including 0.6/1 kV*.

The objective of this Standard is to specify construction, dimensions and tests for 0.6/1 kV rated cross-linked polyethylene insulated aerial bundled cables.

This revised Standard differs from the superseded Standard in the following significant ways:

- (a) Marking of cores has been changed.
- (b) The high voltage test has been increased to 3.75 kV.
- (c) Appendix B has been modified and the adhesion slip criteria increased to 3 mm.
- (d) X-FP-90 insulation has been deleted.
- (e) Table 2.2 has been deleted.
- (f) Tests on insulation reference AS/NZS 3808 instead of specifying tests separately.
- (g) An optional heat radiation test has been included.

The terms 'normative' and 'informative' have been used in this Standard to define the application of the appendix to which they apply. A 'normative' appendix is an integral part of a Standard, whereas an 'informative' appendix is only for information and guidance.

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SECTION 1 SCOPE AND GENERAL

1.1 SCOPE

This Standard specifies the construction, dimensions and tests for 0.6/1 kV rated cross-linked polyethylene insulated aerial bundled cables (ABC) of 2, 3 or 4 cores having aluminium conductors with cross-sectional areas of 16 mm² to 150 mm².

The cables are designed for use with mechanical fittings for aerial bundled cables specified in AS 3766.

Cable construction, identification and preparation for delivery requirements are specified in Section 2 and tests in Section 3.

NOTES:

- 1 See Appendix A for guidelines on information that should be supplied with enquiries or orders.
- 2 See Appendix E for technical data on cables and a guide to cable selection.

1.2 REFERENCED DOCUMENTS

The following documents are referred to in this Standard:

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| 1125 | Conductors in insulated electric cables and flexible cords |
| 2193 | Methods for calibrating and grading of force-measuring systems of testing machines |
| 2706 | Numerical values—Rounding and interpretation of limiting values |
| 3766 | Mechanical fittings for low voltage aerial bundled cables |
| 3983 | Metal drums for insulated electric cables and bare conductors |

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| 1660 | Test methods for electric cables, cords and conductors (all parts) |
| 2857 | Timber drums for insulated electric cables and bare conductors |
| 3008 | Electrical installations—Selection of cables |
| 3008.1.1 | Part 1.1: Cables for alternating voltages up to and including 0.6/1 kV—
Typical Australian installation conditions |
| 3008.1.2 | Part 1.2: Cables for alternating voltages up to and including 0.6/1 kV—
Typical New Zealand installation conditions |
| 3100 | Approval and test specification—General requirements for electrical equipment |
| 3808 | Insulating and sheathing materials for electric cables |