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- a) OPPC is included;
- b) the test methods have been updated.

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INTRODUCTION

The electrical tests contained in IEC 60794-1-24:2014 will now be individually numbered in the IEC 60794-1-4xx series. Each test method is now considered to be an individual document rather than part of a multi-test method compendium. Full cross-reference details are given in IEC 60794-1-2.

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1 Scope

This part of IEC 60794 applies to the short-circuit test intended to assess the performance of an optical ground wire (OPGW) or optical phase conductor (OPPC) under typical short-circuit, or the impact on the performance of optical attached cable (OPAC) under short-circuit current on the messenger wire.

2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements 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 60793-1-46, *Optical fibres – Part 1-46: Measurement methods and test procedures – Monitoring of changes in optical transmittance*

IEC 60794-1-1, *Optical fibre cables – Part 1-1: Generic specification – General*

3 Terms, definitions and abbreviated terms

3.1 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the definitions given in IEC 60794-1-1 apply.

ISO and IEC maintain terminological databases for use in standardization at the following addresses:

- IEC Electropedia: available at <http://www.electropedia.org/>
- ISO Online browsing platform: available at <http://www.iso.org/obp>

3.2 Abbreviated terms

OPAC	optical attached cable
OPGW	optical ground wire
OPPC	optical phase conductor
RTS	rated tensile strength

4 Sample

4.1 OPGW and OPPC testing

4.1.1 Two samples test method

A typical arrangement using two test samples is shown in Figure 1a).