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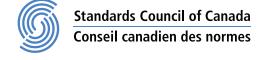
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Preface

This is the first edition of CSA C22.2 No. 273, *Cablebus*. It is one of a series of Standards issued under Part II of the *Canadian Electrical Code*.

For general information on the Standards of the *Canadian Electrical Code, Part II*, see the Preface of the latest edition of CAN/CSA-C22.2 No. 0.

This Standard was prepared by the Subcommittee on Cablebus, under the jurisdiction of the Technical Committee on Wiring Products and the Strategic Steering Committee on Requirements for Electrical Safety, and has been formally approved by the Technical Committee.

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1 Scope

1.1

This Standard applies to a complete cablebus system (termination to termination) and associated fittings rated at not more than 46 kV and intended for use in accordance with the *Canadian Electrical Code, Part I* and *General Requirements — Canadian Electrical Code, Part II*, CSA C22.2 No. 0. These requirements do not apply to metal enclosed busways, as covered by CSA C22.2 No. 201 and CSA C22.2 No. 27.

1.2

For the purpose of these requirements, a cablebus is an assembly of insulated cable conductors designed as a system to transmit large magnitudes of electrical current and to withstand the effects of specified system requirements (i.e. short circuit current, circuit loading, bonding etc) with fittings and conductor terminations in a completely enclosed, ventilated, or non-ventilated protective metal housing.

1.3

The values given in SI (metric) units are mandatory. Any other values given are for information only. **Note:** Lengths are shown in millimetres or metres (inches or feet). Widths, deflections, and similar measurements are generally defined in millimetres (fractions of inches), and load-bearing capacity in kilograms/metre (pounds/foot).

1.4

In this Standard, "shall" is used to express a requirement, i.e., a provision that the user is obliged to satisfy in order to comply with the standard; "should" is used to express a recommendation or that which is advised but not required; and "may" is used to express an option or that which is permissible within the limits of the standard.

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