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Part 1-3: Test for vertical flame propagation for a single insulated wire or cable – Procedure for determination of flaming droplets/particles

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#### 1 Scope

This part of IEC 60332 specifies a test procedure for assessment of falling flaming droplets/particles when a single vertical electrical insulated conductor or cable, or optical fibre cable, is subjected to defined fire conditions.

NOTE 1 Testing to IEC 60332-1-3 may be performed simultaneously with that to IEC 60332-1-2, if required.

Recommended requirements for performance are given in Annex A.

IEC 60332-1-3 specifies the use of a 1 kW pre-mixed flame and is for general use, except that the procedure specified may not be suitable for the testing of small single insulated conductors or cables of less than 0,5 mm<sup>2</sup> total cross-section because the conductor melts before the test is completed, or for the testing of small optical fibre cables because the cable is broken before the test is completed.

#### 2 Normative references

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~~IEC 60811-203, *Electric and optical fibre cables – Test methods for non-metallic materials – Part 203: General tests – Measurement of overall dimensions*~~

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#### 3 Terms and definitions

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##### 3.1 ignition source

source of energy that initiates combustion

[~~IEC 60695-4:1993, definition 2.76~~ SOURCE: ISO 13943:2008, 1.489]