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## European foreword

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## 1 Scope

This document specifies a method to determine the ability of an optical fibre or cable to withstand impact under specified environmental conditions.

## 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.

EN 2591-100, *Aerospace series — Elements of electrical and optical connection — Test methods — Part 100: General*

EN 3745-100, *Aerospace series — Fibres and cables, optical, aircraft use — Test methods — Part 100: General*

EN 3745-201, *Aerospace series — Fibres and cables, optical, aircraft use — Test methods — Part 201: Visual examination*

EN 3745-301, *Aerospace series — Fibres and cables, optical, aircraft use — Test methods — Part 301: Attenuation*

## 3 Preparation of specimens

Fibres coated by UV-curable acrylic resin can be cleaned (e.g. from cable filling compounds), without causing damage to the coating using any cleaning agent recommended by the manufacturer of the fibres. However the use of chlorine-based cleaning agents should be absolutely avoided, since they can attack the coating even after their use and in vapour phase.

If not at standard test conditions, the specimens shall be subjected to standard test conditions and stabilized at these conditions for 24 h as defined in EN 3745-100. Attenuation should be measured, in accordance with EN 3745-301 method C, before the test.

Unless otherwise specified in the product standard, the following details shall be as stated in the technical specification:

- a) the temperature at which test is carried out if other than standard;
- b) the number and length of specimens;
- c) the mass of the weight and the drop height, or alternatively the impact energy;
- d) the radius  $R$  of the striking face;
- e) the number of impacts;
- f) the permissible change in attenuation after the test;
- g) location of impacts on the sample (if not at the same location).