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et services interactifs
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utilisés dans les réseaux de distribution
coaxiale

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für koaxiale Kabelnetze

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Annexes designated "informative" are given for information only.

In this standard, Annexes A, B, C and D are normative and Annexes E and F are informative.

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1 Scope

1.1 General

Standards of EN 50083 series deal with cable networks for television signals, sound signals and interactive services including equipment, systems and installations

- for headend reception, processing and distribution of television and sound signals and their associated data signals and
- for processing, interfacing and transmitting all kinds of signals for interactive services

using all applicable transmission media.

All kinds of networks like

- CATV-networks,
- MATV-networks and SMATV-networks,
- Individual receiving networks

and all kinds of equipment, systems and installations installed in such networks, are within this scope.

The extent of this standardisation work is from the antennas, special signal source inputs to the headend or other interface points to the network up to the system outlet or the terminal input, where no system outlet exists.

The standardisation of any user terminals (i.e. tuners, receivers, decoders, multimedia terminals etc.) as well as of any coaxial and optical cables and accessories therefor is excluded.

1.2 Specific scope of this part 3

This standard

- applies to all broadband amplifiers used in cable networks;
- covers the frequency range 5 MHz to 3000 MHz;
- applies to one-way and two-way equipment;
- lays down the basic methods of measurement of the operational characteristics of the active equipment in order to assess the performance of this equipment;
- identifies the performance specifications that shall be published by the manufacturers;
- states the minimum performance requirements of certain parameters.

Amplifiers are divided into the following two quality levels:

Grade 1: Amplifiers typically intended to be cascaded.

Grade 2: Amplifiers for use typically within an apartment block, or within a single residence, to feed a few outlets.

Practical experience has shown these types meet most of the technical requirements necessary for supplying a minimum signal quality to the subscribers. This classification shall not be considered as a requirement but as the information for users and manufacturers on the minimum quality criteria of the material required to install networks of different sizes. The system operator has to select appropriate material to meet the minimum signal quality at the subscriber's outlet, and to optimise cost/performance, taking into account the size of the network and local circumstances.

All requirements and published data are understood as guaranteed values within the specified frequency range and in well matched conditions.

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