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This amendment introduces a new halogen free insulation compound grade for high temperature.

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Annexes designated "normative" are part of the body of the standard.  
In this standard, annexe A is normative.

This European Standard has been prepared under the European Mandate M/212 given to CENELEC by the European Commission and the European Free Trade Association.

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## 1 Scope

This Part 2-26 of EN 50290 gives specific requirements for halogen free flame retardant insulation compounds used in communication cables.

It is to be read in conjunction with Part 2-20 of EN 50290.

## 2 Normative references

This European Standard incorporates by dated or undated reference, provisions from other publications. These normative references are cited at the appropriate places in the text and the publications are listed hereafter. For dated references, subsequent amendments to or revisions of any of these publications apply to this European Standard only when incorporated in it by amendment or revision. For undated references the latest edition of the publication referred to applies (including amendments).

EN 60811-1-1:1995	Insulating and sheathing materials of electric and optical cables - Common test methods -- Part 1-1: General application - Measurement of thickness and overall dimensions - Tests for determining the mechanical properties (IEC 60811-1-1:1993)
EN 60811-1-2:1995	Insulating and sheathing materials of electric cables - Common test methods Part 1-2: General application -- Thermal ageing methods (IEC 60811-1-2:1985 + corr. May 1986 + A1:1989)
EN 60811-1-3:1995	Insulating and sheathing materials of electric and optical cables - Common test methods -- Part 1-3: General application - Methods for determining the density - Water absorption tests - Shrinkage test (IEC 60811-1-3:1993)
EN 60811-1-4:1995	Insulating and sheathing materials of electric and optical cables - Common test methods -- Part 1-4: General application - Tests at low temperature (IEC 60811-1-4:1985 + corr. May 1986 + A1:1993)
EN 60811-2-1:1998	Insulating and sheathing materials of electric and optical cables - Common test methods -- Part 2-1: Methods specific to elastomeric compounds - Ozone resistance, hot set and mineral oil immersion tests (IEC 60811-2-1:1998)
EN 60811-3-1:1995	Insulating and sheathing materials of electric and optical cables - Common test methods -- Part 3-1: Methods specific to PVC compounds - Pressure test at high temperature - Tests for resistance to cracking (IEC 60811-3-1:1985 + corr. May 1986)
HD 405.3 S1:1993	Tests on electric cables under fire conditions -- Part 3: Tests on bunched wires or cables ( IEC 60332-3:1992)
IEC 60250:1969	Recommended methods for the determination of the permittivity and dielectric dissipation factor of electrical insulating materials at power, audio and radio frequencies including metre wavelengths
IEC 60754-2:1991 + A1:1997	Test on gases evolved during combustion of materials from cables - Determination of degree of acidity of gases by measuring pH and conductivity

## 3 Requirements

In case of specific applications, additional performances could be needed. Relevant test methods and requirements shall be included in the detail specification of the cables.

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