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- method of measurement and requirements for immunity to surge voltages;
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IEC 60065	-	Audio, video and similar electronic apparatus - Safety requirements	EN 60065	-
IEC 60068-1	1988	Environmental testing - Part 1: General and guidance	EN 60068-1	1994
IEC 60068-2-1	-	Environmental testing - Part 2-1: Tests - Test A: Cold	EN 60068-2-1	-
IEC 60068-2-2	-	Environmental testing - Part 2-2: Tests - Test B: Dry heat	EN 60068-2-2	-
IEC 60068-2-6	-	Environmental testing - Part 2-6: Tests - Test Fc: Vibration (sinusoidal)	EN 60068-2-6	-
IEC 60068-2-14	-	Environmental testing - Part 2-14: Tests - Test N: Change of temperature	EN 60068-2-14	-
IEC 60068-2-27	-	Environmental testing - Part 2-27: Tests - Test Ea and guidance: Shock	EN 60068-2-27	-
IEC 60068-2-29	-	Environmental testing - Part 2: Tests - Test Eb and guidance: Bump	EN 60068-2-29	-
IEC 60068-2-30	-	Environmental testing - Part 2-30: Tests - Test Db: Damp heat, cyclic (12 h + 12 h cycle)	EN 60068-2-30	-
IEC 60068-2-31	-	Environmental testing - Part 2-31: Tests - Test Ec: Rough handling shocks, primarily for equipment-type specimens	EN 60068-2-31	-
IEC 60068-2-32	-	Environmental testing. Part 2-32: Tests. Test Ed: Free fall	EN 60068-2-32	-
IEC 60068-2-40	-	Basic environmental testing procedures - Part 2-40: Tests - Test Z/AM: Combined cold/low air pressure tests	EN 60068-2-40	-
IEC 60068-2-48	-	Environmental testing - Part 2-48: Tests - Guidance on the application of the tests of IEC 60068 to simulate the effects of storage	EN 60068-2-48	-
IEC 60529	-	Degrees of protection provided by enclosures - (IP Code)		-

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IEC 60728-2	-	Cabled distribution systems for television and sound signals - Part 2: Electromagnetic compatibility for equipment	EN 50083-2	-
IEC 60728-4	-	Cable networks for television signals, sound signals and interactive services - Part 4: Passive wideband equipment for coaxial cable networks	EN 60728-4	-
IEC 60728-5	-	Cable networks for television signals, sound signals and interactive services - Part 5: Headend equipment	EN 60728-5	-
IEC 60728-11	-	Cable networks for television signals, sound signals and interactive services - Part 11: Safety	EN 60728-11	-
IEC 60950-1	-	Information technology equipment - Safety - Part 1: General requirements	EN 60950-1	-
IEC 61000-4-5	-	Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) - Part 4-5: Testing and measurement techniques - Surge immunity test	EN 61000-4-5	-
IEC 61319-1	-	Interconnections of satellite receiving equipment - Part 1: Europe	EN 61319-1	-
IEC 61319-2	-	Interconnections of satellite receiving equipment - Part 2: Japan	-	-
ITU-T Recommendation G.117	-	Transmission aspects of unbalance about earth	-	-
ITU-T Recommendation O.9	-	Measuring arrangements to assess the degree of unbalance about earth	-	-

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## INTRODUCTION

Standards of the IEC 60728 series deal with cable networks including equipment and associated methods of measurement for headend reception, processing and distribution of television signals, 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.

This includes

- CATV<sup>1</sup>-networks;
- MATV-networks and SMATV-networks;
- individual receiving networks;

and all kinds of equipment, systems and installations installed in such networks.

For active equipment with balanced RF signal ports this standard applies to those ports which carry RF broadband signals for services as described in the scope of this standard.

The extent of this standardization work is from the antennas and/or special signal source inputs to the headend or other interface points to the network up to the terminal input.

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

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<sup>1</sup> This word encompasses the HFC (Hybrid Fibre Cable) networks used nowadays to provide telecommunications services, voice, data, audio and video both broadcast and narrowcast.

## **CABLE NETWORKS FOR TELEVISION SIGNALS, SOUND SIGNALS AND INTERACTIVE SERVICES –**

### **Part 3: Active wideband equipment for cable networks**

#### **1 Scope**

This part of IEC 60728 lays down the measuring methods, performance requirements and data publication requirements for active wideband equipment of cable networks for television signals, sound signals and interactive services.

This standard

- applies to all broadband amplifiers used in cable networks;
- covers the frequency range 5 MHz to 3 000 MHz;

NOTE The upper limit of 3 000 MHz is an example, but not a strict value. The frequency range, or ranges, over which the equipment is specified, should be published.

- 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 to 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 that these types meet most of the technical requirements necessary for supplying a minimum signal quality to the subscribers. This classification is not a requirement but is provided to users and manufacturers for information about 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.

#### **2 Normative references**

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application 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.

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