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## 1 Scope

This standard specifies the required characteristics of a coaxial cable, 75  $\Omega$ , type WL, for use in aircraft electrical systems at operating temperature between – 55 °C and 200 °C and specially for high frequency up to 3 GHz.

## 2 Normative references

The following documents, in whole or in part, are normatively referenced in this document and are indispensable for its application. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

EN 3475-100 (all parts), *Aerospace series — Cables, electrical, aircraft use — Test methods — Part 100: General*

EN 4604-001, *Aerospace series — Cable, electrical, for signal transmission — Part 001: Technical specification*

EN 4604-002, *Aerospace series — Cable, electrical, for signal transmission — Part 002: General*

TR 6058, *Aerospace series — Cable code and identification list* <sup>1)</sup>

ASTM-B298-12, *Standard specification for silver-coated soft or annealed copper wire* <sup>2)</sup>

IEC 60096-0-1:2012, *Radio frequency cables — Part 0-1: Guide to the design of detail specifications — Coaxial cables*

## 3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in EN 3475-100 and the following apply.

### 3.1

#### **Epsilon ( $\epsilon$ )**

value of dielectric constant

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<sup>1)</sup> Published as ASD-STAN Technical Report at the date of publication of this standard. (<http://www.asd-stan.org/>)

<sup>2)</sup> Published by: ASTM National (US) American Society for Testing and Materials. (<http://www.astm.org/>)

## 4 Required characteristics

### 4.1 Material, construction, dimensions and mass

#### 4.1.1 Material

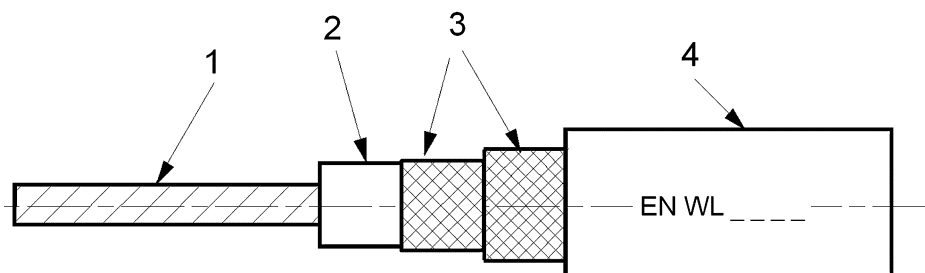
See Table 1.

Table 1 — Material

	Material	Finish	Colour
Conductor	Multi-stranded high-strength copper alloy	1 µm silver plated	—
Dielectric	Fluorocarbon	—	—
Shield	Double-braid per ASTM-B298-12	1 µm silver plated	—
Jacket	Fluorocarbon	—	Medium blue

#### 4.1.2 Construction, dimensions and mass

See Figure 1 and Table 2.



#### Key

- 1 Conductor
- 2 Dielectric
- 3 Shield
- 4 Jacket

Figure 1 — Construction

Table 2 — Dimensions and mass

Diameter mm					Mass g/m max.
Conductor	Dielectric max.	Shield min.   max.		Cable	
0,30 ± 0,025 (7 × 0,10) mm	1,30	1,75	1,95	2,35	12,5

Strand diameter for shield = 0,08 mm

## 4.2 General characteristics

- a) Operating temperature:  $-55\text{ °C}$  to  $200\text{ °C}$ ;
- b) Minimum bend radius:
  - 1) in static use: 15 mm;
  - 2) in dynamic use: 25 mm;
- c) Performances are guaranteed up to 3 GHz.

## 4.3 Electrical characteristics

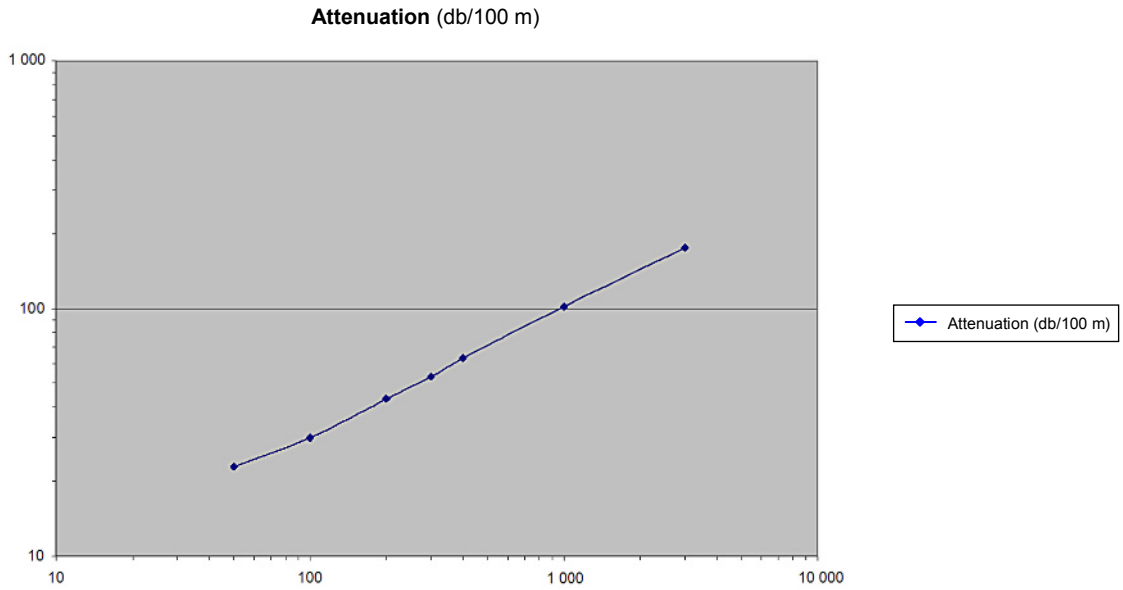
- Characteristic impedance:  $Z_c = (75 \pm 5)\ \Omega$ ;
- Capacitance per unit length:  $C_p = 60\text{ pF/m max.}$ ;
- Transfer impedance up to 100 MHz:  $30\text{ m}\Omega/\text{m max.}$ , see Figure 3;
- Operating voltage: 500 V RMS max.;
- Maximum power handling (at sea level): see Table 3 and Figure 4;
- Attenuation versus frequency: see Table 3 and Figure 2;
- Velocity of propagation: 0,74 c min.

**Table 3 — Frequency, attenuation and power handling**

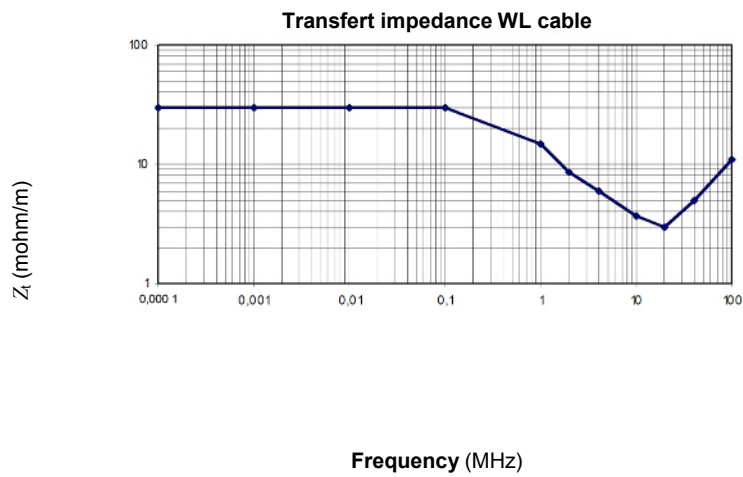
Frequency MHz	10	50	100	200	300	400	1 000	3 000
Attenuation dB/100 m	10	23	30	43	53	63	102	176
Power handling W	500	430	300	210	170	150	93	52

NOTE Power handling values are defined by calculation. The formula is coming from IEC 60096-0-1:2012.

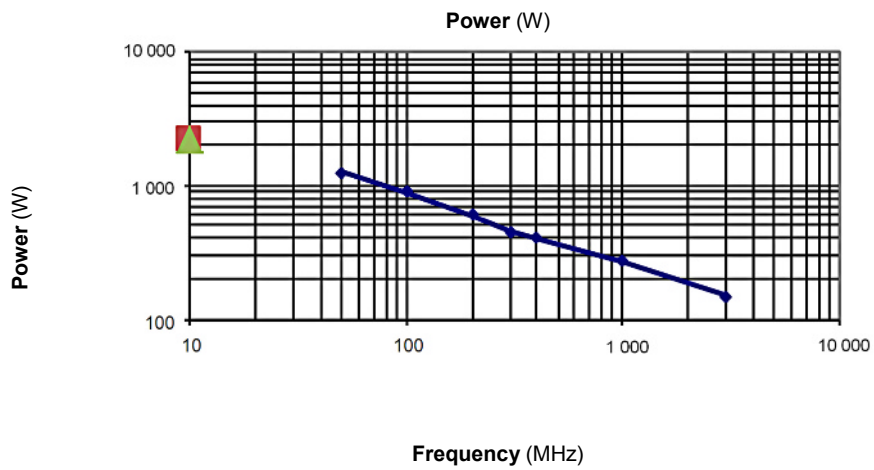




**Figure 2 — Maximum attenuation curve**



**Figure 3 — Transfer Impedance**



**Figure 4 — Power curve**

#### 4.4 Tests

See Table 4.

**Table 4 — Tests (1 of 3)**

EN 3475-	Designation of the test	Remarks
201	Visual examination	Applicable
202	Mass	Applicable
203	Dimensions	Applicable See 4.1.2 – Table 2.
301	Ohmic resistance per unit length	Applicable 0,384 Ω/km max.
302	Voltage proof test	Applicable <u>Dielectric:</u> Dry test: 2 000 VAC <u>Jacket:</u> Dry impulse: 5 000 V
303	Insulation resistance	Applicable > 5 000 MΩ between shield and conductor
304	Surface resistance	Not applicable
305	Overload resistance	Not applicable
306	Continuity of conductors	Applicable
307	Corona extinction voltage	Not applicable
401	Accelerated ageing	Not applicable
402	Shrinkage and delamination	Not applicable
403	Delamination and blocking	Not applicable
404	Thermal shock	Not applicable
405	Bending at ambient temperature	Not applicable
406	Cold bend test	Not applicable
407	Flammability	Applicable Load = 10 N Extinction time < 3 s
408	Fire resistance	Not applicable
409	Air-excluded ageing	Not applicable
410	Thermal endurance	Not applicable
411	Resistance to fluids	Applicable
412	Humidity resistance	Not applicable
413	Wrap back test	Not applicable
414	Differential scanning calorimeter (DSC test)	Not applicable

Table 4 — Tests (2 of 3)

EN 3475-	Designation of the test	Remarks
415	Rapid change of temperature	Applicable Variation of capacitance: 5 % max. Increase of attenuation: 5 % max. Shrinkage: 1,5 mm max. 1 <sup>st</sup> specimen length ( $C, \alpha$ ): 15 m
416	Thermal stability	Applicable Heat exposure temperature: 200 °C. Variation of capacitance: 5 % max. Increase of attenuation: 5 % max. Variation of impedance: 3 % max. Shrinkage: 1,5 mm max. 3 <sup>rd</sup> specimen length ( $C, \alpha$ ): 15 m Mandrel diameter: 28 mm
417	Fire resistance of cables confined inside a harness	Not applicable
418	Thermal endurance for conductors	Not applicable
501	Dynamic cut-through	Not applicable
502	Notch propagation	Applicable Cut depth: 0,05 mm
503	Scrape abrasion	Applicable On external sheath 10 000 cycles Load: 6 N
504	Torsion	Not applicable
505	Tensile test on conductors and strands	Applicable Elongation $\geq 2,5$ % Tensile strength $\geq 25$ N for the whole conductor.
506	Plating continuity	Applicable
507	Adherence of plating	Applicable
508	Plating thickness	Applicable $\geq 1 \mu\text{m}$
509	Solderability	Not applicable
510	Tensile strength and elongation of extruded insulation, sheath and jacket materials	Not applicable
511	Cable to cable abrasion	Not applicable
512	Flexure endurance	Applicable Load: 3 daN – 1 000 cycles minimum Mandrel diameter: 28 mm

**Table 4 — Tests (3 of 3)**

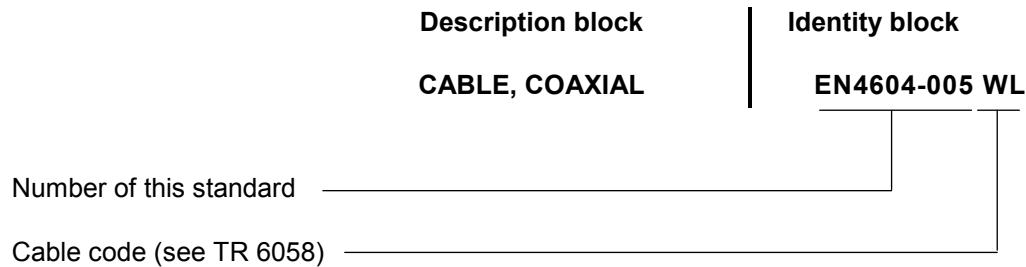
<b>EN 3475-</b>	<b>Designation of the test</b>	<b>Remarks</b>
513	Deformation resistance (Installation with plastic cable ties)	Applicable Application force: $70 \text{ N} \pm 5 \%$ For Method A
514	Porosity of copper cladding on aluminium strands	Not applicable
515	Crush resistance	Not applicable
601	Smoke density	Applicable
602	Toxicity	Applicable
603	Resistance to wet arc tracking	Not applicable
604	Resistance to dry arc propagation	Not applicable
605	Wet short circuit test	Not applicable
701	Strippability and adherence of insulation to the conductor	Applicable 2,5 N to 12 N
702	Screen pushback capability	Applicable
703	Permanence of manufacturer's marking	Applicable
704	Flexibility	Not applicable
705	Contrast measurement	Not applicable
706	Laser markability	Not applicable
801	Capacitance per unit length	Applicable $C = 60 \text{ pF/m}$ maximum
802	Capacitance unbalance	Not applicable
803	Capacitance variation	Not applicable
804	Velocity of propagation	Applicable $v \geq 222 \text{ 000 km/s}$
805	Characteristics impedance	Applicable $Z_c = (75 \pm 5) \Omega$ at 200 MHz
806	Attenuation	Applicable See 4.3, Table 3, Figure 2.
807	Transfer impedance	$Z_t$ applicable (see Figure 3).
808	Cross-talk	Not applicable
809	Resistance unbalance	Not applicable
810	Structural return loss	Not applicable
811	Unbalance attenuation	Not applicable
812	Return loss (VSWR)	Not applicable

## 5 Quality assurance

See EN 4604-001.

## 6 Designation

EXAMPLE



NOTE If necessary, the code I9005 shall be placed between the description block and the identity block.

## 7 Identification and marking

See EN 4604-002.

Colour of the marking shall be black.

## 8 Packaging, labelling and delivery lengths

### 8.1 Packaging and labelling

See EN 4604-001.

### 8.2 Delivery lengths

Delivery on cable drums (about 200 m).

Minimum length of each piece: 50 m.

## 9 Technical specification

See EN 4604-001.





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