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## **Foreword**

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### 1 Scope

This European Standard specifies the characteristics of gauge 24 two-core lightweight fire proof, screened, electrical cables for data transmission systems of aircraft at operating temperature between - 65 °C and 260 °C.

These cables are UV Laser printable in accordance with EN 3838.

#### 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 2083, Aerospace series — Copper and copper alloys conductors for electrical cables — Product standard

EN 2346-005, Aerospace series — Cable, electrical, fire resistant — Operating temperatures between – 65 °C and 260 °C — Part 005: DW family, single UV laser printable and multicore assembly — Light weight — Product standard <sup>1</sup>

EN 3475 <sup>2</sup>, Aerospace series — Cables, electrical, aircraft use — Test methods

EN 3475-100, Aerospace series — Cables, electrical, aircraft use — Test methods — Part 100: General

EN 4608-001, Aerospace series — Cable, electrical, fire resistant — Single and twisted multicore assembly, screened (braided) and jacketed — Operating temperatures between – 65 °C and 260 °C — Part 001: Technical specification

EN 4608-002, Aerospace series — Cable, electrical, fire resistant — Single and twisted multicore assembly, screened (braided) and jacketed — Operating temperatures between – 65 °C and 260 °C — Part 002: General

EN 9133, Aerospace series — Quality management systems — Qualification procedure for aerospace standard parts

#### 3 Terms and definitions

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

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Published as ASD STAN Prestandard at the date of publication of this standard.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> All parts quoted in Tables 2 and 3.

## 4 Materials and construction

### 4.1 Materials

These cables shall consist of the following:

- Cores according to EN 2346-005
- Number of cores: 2

2 cores shall be twisted together according to EN 4608-001.

### Screen:

- Nickel plated copper braid
- See Table 1 for strand diameter
- Material according to EN 2083, tests according to EN 3475-100
- Construction according to EN 4608-001.

## Outer jacket:

Sintered wrapped PTFE UV laser printable

#### 4.2 Construction

Table 1

No of core	Code No	Nominal cross section	<b>AWG</b> <sup>a</sup>	Number of strands	Nominal diameter of strands	Conductive resistance at 20 °C	Nominal diameter of shield strands	Shield diameter	External diameter	Mass	Number of missing strands
						max.		max.	max.	max.	
		mm <sup>2</sup>			mm	Ohm/km	mm	mm	mm	g/m	
2	002	0,25	24	19	0,12	135,00	0,12	3,5	4,00	27,5	0
a Closest American Wire Gauge											

### 4.3 Colour code

See EN 4608-002.

## 5 Required characteristics

See EN 4608-001 and Table 2.

Operating temperature: 260 °C max. continuous.

— Operating voltage: 600 V AC.

— Use frequency: 125 kHz maximum.

## 6 Tests

See Table 2.

Table 2

EN 3475- Test No	Title	Details
201	Visual examination	Applicable.
202	Mass	Applicable Table 1.
203	Dimensions	Applicable Table 1.
301	Ohmic resistance per unit length	Applicable Table 1.
302	Voltage proof test – Immersion test	Applicable.
302	Voltage proof test – Dry test	Applicable.
303	Insulation resistance	Applicable.
304	Surface resistance	Applicable.
305	Overload resistance	Not applicable.
306	Continuity of conductors	Applicable.
401	Accelerated ageing	Applicable. Temperature: (310 ± 5) °C.
402	Shrinkage and delamination	Applicable. Temperature: $(310 \pm 5)$ °C. Maximum shrinkage: 1,5 mm.
403	Delamination and blocking	Applicable. Temperature: (310 ± 5) °C.
404	Thermal shock	Applicable. Temperature 260 °C. Maximum shrinkage: 1,5 mm.
405	Bending at ambient temperature	Applicable.
406	Cold bend test	Applicable. Temperature: (- 65 ± 2) °C.
407	Flammability – Method 1	Applicable. Extinction time: 3 s.
408	Fire resistance	Applicable. 15 min. Insulation resistance: 10 000 ohms. Load: 170 g for 002.
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.

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Table 2 (continued)

EN 3475- Test No	Title	Details
414	Differential scanning calorimeter (DSC test)	Not applicable.
415	Rapid change of temperature	Not applicable.
416	Thermal stability	Not applicable.
417	Fire resistance of cable inside harness	Not applicable.
501	Dynamic cut-through	Applicable. Temperature 260 °C, 1 hour. See Table 3.
502	Notch propagation	Applicable.  Depth notch: 0,10 mm.
503	Scrape abrasion	Applicable. See Table 3.
504	Torsion	Not applicable.
505	Tensile test on conductors and strands	Applicable.
506	Plating continuity	Applicable.
507	Adherence of plating	Applicable.
508	Plating thickness	Applicable.
509	Solderability	Not applicable.
510	Tensile strength and elongation of extruded insulation, sheath and jacket material	Not applicable.
511	Cable-to-cable abrasion	Not applicable.
512	Flexure endurance	Not applicable.
513	Deformation resistance (Installation with plastic cable ties)	Not applicable.
601	Smoke density	Not applicable.
602	Toxicity	Not 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	Strippability: applicable. Adherence: not applicable.
702	Screen pushback capability	Applicable.
703	Permanence of manufacturer's marking	Applicable.
704	Flexibility	Not applicable.
705	Contrast measurement	Applicable ≥ 50 %.
706	Laser markability	Applicable.

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Table 2 (concluded)

EN 3475- Test No	Title	Details
801	Capacitance per unit length	Mutual capacitance C ≤ 85 pF/m at 100 kHz
802	Capacitance unbalance	Applicable < 10 % at 100 kHz.
803	Capacitance variation	Not applicable.
804	Velocity of propagation	Applicable ≥ 100 000 km/s.
805	Characteristic impedance	Applicable. Differential impedance. Zc: 120 $\Omega$ $\pm$ 20 % at 100 kHz.
806	Attenuation	Applicable. Finished cable. A ≤ 1,6 dB/100 m at 100 kHz.
807	Transfer impedance	Applicable Zt ≤ 30 mΩ at 100 kHz
808	Cross-talk	Not applicable.

Table 3

Code number	Nominal cross section	Test 501 Dynamic cut-through	Test 503 Scrape abrasion Load N	
	mm²	N		
			20 °C	260 °C
002	0,25	25	3	1,5

## 7 Quality assurance

See EN 9133.

## 8 Designation

## 8.1 Identification

**EXAMPLE** 

	Description block		Identity block	
	CABLE, ELECTRICAL, FIRE RESISTANT	EN4608-0	05A002	
Number of this Europ	pean Standard——————————————————————————————————			
Code letter for numb	er of cores (see EN 4608-002, Table 1)			
Code for nominal sec	ction (see Table 1)			

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

## 8.2 Type code (for short designation)

	EN references	Code designation
2 cores	EN4608-005B002	GPB24

## 9 Identification and marking

See EN 4608-002. (Excepted "EN" marking, which is used in case of AECMA-CERT qualification only)

EXAMPLE On the outer jacket: GPB24 FRF03

Optional on cores: DWA 24 FRF03

## 10 Packaging, labelling and delivery lengths

See EN 4608-001.

## 11 Technical specification

See EN 4608-001.

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