

CABLE DESIGNATION CODES



ITALIAN SYSTEM according to CEI UNEL 35011

TYPE AND SHAPE OF CONDUCTOR

- Withour designation: copper conductor
- A Aluminum conductor
- **F** Round flexible rope conductor
- **FF** Round highly flexible rope conductor
- **R** Round rigid rope conductor, normal or compact
- **S** Sectoral rope conductor
- **SU** Sectoral single wire conductor
- **U** Round single wire conductor

NATURE AND QUALITY OF INSULATION

- **G29** Silicone-based elastomeric compound type G29
- **E29** Halogen-free cross-linked compound type E29
- **S29** Halogen-free thermoplastic compound type S29
- **S18** PVC-based compound, quality S18
- **C4** Paper impregnated with stabilized mixture
- **E** Thermoplastic polyethylene-based compound
- E4 Cross-linked polyethylene-based compound, characteristic temperature 85°C
- **G** Natural and/or synthetic rubber-based compound,
- **G4** characteristic temperature 60°C
- Silicone rubber-based compound, characteristic temperature
- **G16** 180°C
- High modulus ethylene propylene rubber-based compound,
- **G8** characteristic temperature 90°C
- Ethylene propylene rubber-based compound also suitable for cables without protective coating, characteristic temperature
- 90°C Cross-linked elastomeric compound with low smoke and toxic
- G18 and corrosive gas emission, also suitable for cables without protective coating, characteristic temperature 90°C

 Cross-linked elastomeric compound with low smoke and toxic
- G19 and corrosive gas emission, characteristic temperature 90°C Cross-linked elastomeric compound with low smoke and toxic
- G20 and corrosive gas emission, characteristic temperature 90°C Cross-linked elastomeric compound with low smoke and toxic
- M and corrosive gas emission, characteristic temperature 90°C Mineral insulator
- **M9** Thermoplastic compound with low emission of toxic and corrosive fumes and gases, characteristic temperature 70°C
- **R** Polyvinyl chloride-based compound, TI1 and TI2 quality, t.c. 70°C
- **R2** Polyvinyl chloride-based compound, R2 quality, temp. c. 70°C
- **R4** Polyamide resin-based compound
- **R5** Fluorocarbon resin-based compound
- **R7** Polyvinyl chloride-based compound, quality TI3, characteristic
- **\$17** temperature 90°C
 - PVC-based compound, quality S17
- V Glass cloth, impregnated if necessary

CABLE COMPOSITION AND SHAPE

- Without designation: single-core cables
- Cores, possibly with their own sheathing, joined with or without fillers to form a round cable
- **D** Cores as above, laid parallel (flattened external shape cable)
- X Cores, possibly with their own coating, joined together in a visible helix, with or without fillers (e.g., pre-stranded cable)
- **W** Parallel cores joined together with an intermediate groove
- W1 Parallel cores joined together with an intermediate insulating strip

CONCENTRIC SCREENS AND CONDUCTORS

- **AC** Concentric aluminum conductor, if not metal sheath
- **C** Concentric copper conductor, if not metal sheath
- **H** Metallized paper/carbon paper/aluminum tape shield
- H1 Copper tape, flat wire, or stranded wire shield
- **H2** Copper braid or braided shield
- **H3** Double copper braid or double braided shield
- **H4** Longitudinal corrugated steel tape shield
- **H5** Longitudinal coated aluminum tape shield

ARMOURING (METAL REINFORCEMENT)

- A Smooth aluminum sheath, or metal braided armor
- **A1** Corrugated aluminum sheath
- **EL** Lead alloy sheath, with underlying continuity conductor
- **EP** Non-alloy lead sheath, with underlying continuity conductor
- **F** Cylindrical wire armor, normally made of steel
- **H4** Longitudinal corrugated steel tape shield
- H5 Longitudinal coated aluminum tape shield
- L Lead alloy sheath
- N Tape armor, normally steel
- P Non-alloy lead sheath
- **Q** Copper sheath
- **Z** Flat wire armor, normally steel

SHEATH (NON-METALLIC COATINGS)

- E Thermoplastic sheath, Ez quality
- **E4** Cross-linked polyethylene sheath, E4M quality
- **R16** Polyvinyl chloride-based sheath, R16 quality
- K Polychloroprene-based sheath or equivalent, Ky, Kn, Kz quality
- **R** Polyvinyl chloride-based sheath, Tm1, Tm2, Rz quality
- R4 Polyamide resin-based sheathing
- M1 Thermoplastic sheathing, low smoke and toxic or corrosive gas
- M18 Elastomeric sheathing, low smoke and toxic and corrosive gas emission, M18 quality
- M16 Thermoplastic sheathing, low smoke and toxic or corrosive gas emission, M16 quality
- **Z1** Thermoplastic sheath, low emission of toxic or corrosive fumes and gases
- **T1** Glass tape wrapping
- T Normal type textile braid (possibly impregnated)
- **T2** Special type textile braid, possibly impregnated
- **S18** Polyvinyl chloride sheath, quality S18



GERMAN SYSTEM according to VDE Standards

CONDUCTOR TYPE

- Li Stranded wires conductor
- **f** Flexible
- e Single wire, solid
- re Round, single wire
- rm Round, multiwire

TYPE OF CABLE USE

- A- Outdoor cable
- A Approved national design
- **AB** Outdoor cable with lightning protection
- AD Outdoor cable with differential protection
- AJ- Outdoor cable with induction protection
- FL Flat cable
- G- Mining cable
- GJ Mining cable with induction protection
- **H** Harmonized cable
- M Plastic-sheath cable
- N VDE standard
- (N) Cable adapted to VDE standard
- **RD-** Rhenomatic cable
- **RE-** Computer cable
- **RG-** Coaxial cable according to MIL specification
- -S Signal cable for German Railway
- **SL** Flexible sheathed cable
- T- Fan-out cable
- **Z** Twin cable

INSULATION AND SHEATH MATERIAL

- **G** Rubber
- 2G Silicon rubber (SIR)
- **3G** Ethylene propylene rubber (EPR)
- 4G Ethylene propylene rubber (EVA)
- **5G** Chloroprene rubber (CR)
- 6G Chlorosulphonated polyethylene (CSM)
- **7G** Flouroelastomer (FKM)
- **8G** Nitrile rubber (NBR)
- 9G PE-C rubber (CM)
- **53G** CM
- **H** Halogen free compound, flame retardant
- **HX** Cross-linked, halogen free compound
- **02Y** Foam-PE, insulation (PEE)
- **X** Cross-linked polyvinyl chloride (X-PVC)
- **XP** Cross-linked polyethylene (X-PE)
- **2X** Cross-linked polyethylene
- **7X** Cross-linked Ethylentetrafluorethylen (X-ETFE)
- **10X** Cross-linked Polyvinylidenfluorid (X-PVDF)
- Y PVC, polyvinylchloride
- Yu PVC, polyvinylchloride, non-flammable, flame-retardant
- Yv PVC, polyvinylchloride, with reinforced sheath
- Yw PVC, polyvinylchlorid, heat resistant upto 90°C
- **2Y** Polyethylene (PE)
- 2Yv Polyethylene, reinforced sheath
- **02Y** Cellular polyethylene
- **3Y** insulation polystyrene (PS)
- 4Y Polyamide (PA)
- **5Y** Polytetrafluorethylene (PTFE)
- **5YX** Perfluoralkoxy (PFA)

- **6Y** Perfluoroethylene-propylene (FEP),
- **7Y** Ethylentetrafluorethylen (ETFE)
- **8Y** Polyimid (PI)
- **9Y** Polypropylen (PP)
- **10Y** PVDF, Polyvinylidene ∑uoride
- 11Y Pulyurethan (PUR)
- 12Y Polyester (PET)

SCREENS

- **C** Screen of bare copper braid
- **CE** Screen of bare copper braid on single pair
- **D** Copper screen, helically stranded
- (St) Aluminium tape screen
- **PiMF** Aluminum tape screen on single pair
- **TiMF** Aluminum tape screen on singel triad

ARMOURING

- M Lead sheath
- Mz Alloyed lead sheath
- **Q** Steel braid armouring
- **B** Steel tape armouring
- R Steel wire armouring

SPECIAL CHARACTERISTICS

- FR Flame retardant
- T with rodent protection
- Ö Oil resistant
- NC Non-corrosive

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- -OB Cable without Green/Yellow protective conductor
- -JB Cable with Green/Yellow protective conductor
- **-OZ** Numbered cable without Green/Yellow protective conductor
- -JZ Numbered cable with Green/Yellow protective conductor



EUROPEAN SYSTEM according to CEI 20-27/CENELEC HD361

STANDARD IDENTIFICATION

- **H** Cable compliant with harmonized standards
- A Authorized national standards
- F National cable not compliant with IEC standards

NOMINAL VOLTAGE Uo/U

- **01** $100/100V \le U_0/U < 300/300V$
- **03** 300/300V
- **05** 300/500V
- **07** 450/750V
- 1 600/1000V

INSULATION MATERIAL FOR SHEATH

- **B** Ethylene propylene rubber for continuous operating temperatures of 60°C
- **G** Ethylene vinyl acetate
- J Trace of glass fiber
- **M** Mineral
- N Polychloroprene
- **N2** Special polychloroprene compound for coating welding machine cables
- N4 Chlorosulfonated polyethylene or chlorinated polyethylene
- N8 Special water-resistant polychloroprene compound
- **Q** Polyurethane
- **Q4** Polyamide
- **R** Ordinary ethylene propylene rubber and synthetic elastomer equivalent for a continuous operating temperature of 60°C
- **S** Silicone rubbe
- T Textile braid, impregnated or not, on the individual cores of a multipolar cable
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- **V** Commonly used polyvinyl chloride (or PVC)
- V2 PVC compound for a continuous operating temperature of 90°C
- **V3** PVC compound for cables installed at low temperatures
- **V4** Cross-linked PVC
- **V5** Special oil-resistant PVC compound
- **Z** Cross-linked polyolefin-based compound that emits low levels of smoke, toxic and corrosive gases when burned
- Z1 Cross-linked polyolefin-based compound that emits low levels of smoke, toxic and corrosive gases when burned

METAL COATINGS

- **C** Concentric copper conductor
- **C4** Copper braided shield over the entire set of cores
- A7 Aluminum shield
- **C5** Copper braided shield over individual cores
- C7 Copper braided shield over individual cores

ARMOURING

- **Z2** Steel wire armouring
- **Z3** Steel flat bar armouring
- **Z4** Steel strip armouring
- **Z5** Steel wire braid

SPECIAL SHAPES AND CONSTRUCTIONS

- No symbol: circular cable
- **H** Divisible flat cables, with or without sheathing
- **H2** Non-divisible flat cables
- **H3** Flat cables with cores separated by a strip
- **H6** Flat cable with 3 or more cores, according to HD 359 or EN 50214
- **H7** Double-layer insulating cable applied by extrusion
- **H8** Extendable cord

CONDUCTOR FLEXIBILITY

- Plexible conductor for use in cables for arc welding machines according to HD 22 Part 6 (flexibility different from class 5 of HD 383)
- **E** Highly flexible conductor for use in cables for arc welding machines according to HD 22 Part 6 (flexibility different from class 6 of HD 383)
- **F** Flexible conductor of a flexible cable (unless otherwise specified, flexibility according to class 5 of HD 383)
- **H** Very flexible conductor of a flexible cable (unless otherwise specified, flexibility according to class 6 of HD 383)
- K Flexible conductor of a cable for fixed installations (unless otherwise specified, flexibility according to class 5 of HD 383)
- R Rigid, round, stranded conductor
- **U** Rigid, round, single-wire conductor
- Y Copper-like conductor

CONDUCTOR MATERIAL

- No symbol: copper
- **A** Aluminium