



Approved as an American National Standard ANSI Approval Date: 12/13/2012

Insulated Cable Engineers Assoc., Inc. Publication No. ICEA T-26-465 NEMA Standards Publication No. WC 54-2013

Guide for Frequency of Sampling Extruded Dielectric Power, Control, Instrumentation, and Portable Cables for Test

Published by:

National Electrical Manufacturers Association 1300 North 17th Street Rosslyn, Virginia 22209

© Copyright 2013 by the National Electrical Manufacturers Association and the Insulated Cable Engineers Association, Incorporated. All rights including translation into other languages, reserved under the Universal Copyright Convention, the Berne Convention for the Protection of Literary and Artistic Works, and the International and Pan American Copyright Conventions.

NOTICE AND DISCLAIMER

The information in this publication was considered technically sound by the consensus of persons engaged in the development and approval of the document at the time it was developed. Consensus does not necessarily mean that there is unanimous agreement among every person participating in the development of this document.

The National Electrical Manufacturers Association (NEMA) and the Insulated Cable Engineers Association (ICEA) standards and guideline publications, of which the document contained herein is one, are developed through a voluntary consensus standards development process. This process brings together persons who have an interest in the topic covered by this publication. While NEMA and ICEA administers the process and establishes rules to promote fairness in the development of consensus, they do not independently test, evaluate, or verify the accuracy or completeness of any information or the soundness of any judgements contained in its standards and guideline publications.

NEMA and ICEA disclaims liability for personal injury, property, or other damages of any nature whatsoever, whether special, indirect, consequential, or compensatory, directly or indirectly resulting from the publication, use of, application, or reliance on this document. NEMA and ICEA disclaims and makes no guaranty or warranty, expressed or implied, as to the accuracy or completeness of any information published herein, and disclaims and makes no warranty that the information in this document will fulfill any of your particular purposes or needs. NEMA and ICEA do not undertake to guarantee the performance of any individual manufacturer or seller's products or services by virtue of this standard or guide.

In publishing and making this document available, NEMA and ICEA are not undertaking to render professional or other services for or on behalf of any person or entity, nor is NEMA and ICEA undertaking to perform any duty owed by any person or entity to someone else. Anyone using this document should rely on his or her own independent judgement or, as appropriate, seek the advice of a competent professional in determining the exercise of reasonable care in any given circumstances. Information and other standards on the topic covered by this publication may be available from other sources, which the user may wish to consult for additional views or information not covered by this publication.

NEMA and ICEA have no power, nor do they undertake to police or enforce compliance with the contents of this document. NEMA and ICEA do not certify, test, or inspect products, designs, or installations for safety or health purposes. Any certification or other statement of compliance with any health or safety-related information in this document shall not be attributable to NEMA and ICEA and is solely the responsibility of the certifier or maker of the statement.

CONTENTS

Page

Foreword	
Section 1 GENERAL	1
1.1 Scope	1
1.2 Definitions	1
Section 2 SAMPLES	2
2.1 Selection of Samples	2
2.1.1 Sample for Tests on Cable or Specimens from Cable	2
2.1.2 Samples for Tests on Conducting Materials Intended for Extrusion	2
2.1.3 Sample Plans for Other Tests	
2.2 Sample Conformance	
2.3 Resampling	2
Section 3 SAMPLING PLANS	3
3.1 Plan A	3
3.2 Plan B	3
3.3 Plan C	3
3.4 Plan D	3
3.5 Plan E	3
3.6 Plan F	5
3.7 Plan G	5
3.8 Plan H	5
3.9 Plan I	5
3.10 Plan J	5
3.11 Plan K	5
3.11 Plan L	
Section 4 SCHEDULE OF TESTS AND APPLICABLE SAMPLING PLANS	6

Foreword

This Guide for Frequency of Sampling of Extruded Dielectric Power, Control, Instrumentation, and Portable Cables for Test was developed by the Insulated Cable Engineers Association, Inc. and was approved by the National Electrical Manufacturers Association.

ICEA/NEMA Standards are adopted in the public interest and are designed to eliminate misunderstandings between the manufacturers and the user and to assist the user in selecting and obtaining the proper product for his or her particular need. The user of this Standards Publication is cautioned to observe any health or safety regulations and rules relative to the use of the test procedures

covered by this document.

Requests for interpretation of this Standard must be submitted in writing to the Insulated Cable Engineers Association, Inc., P.O. Box 1568, Carrollton, GA 30112. An official written interpretation will be provided by the Association.

Suggestions for improvement gained in the use of this publication will be welcomed by the Association

Section 1 GENERAL

1.1 Scope

This guide provides a combination of plans for the frequencies at which cable samples may be obtained for tests to determine conformance to the appropriate requirements of ICEA Standards Publications. Valid statistical sampling frequencies other than those listed herein are acceptable if evidence of statistical control can be demonstrated. This guide applies only to extruded dielectric power, control, instrumentation, and portable cables.

This guide does not apply to those requirements to which each production or shipping length of completed cable must comply as specified in the applicable ICEA Standards.