

How the Construction Products Regulation for cables is benefiting fire safety

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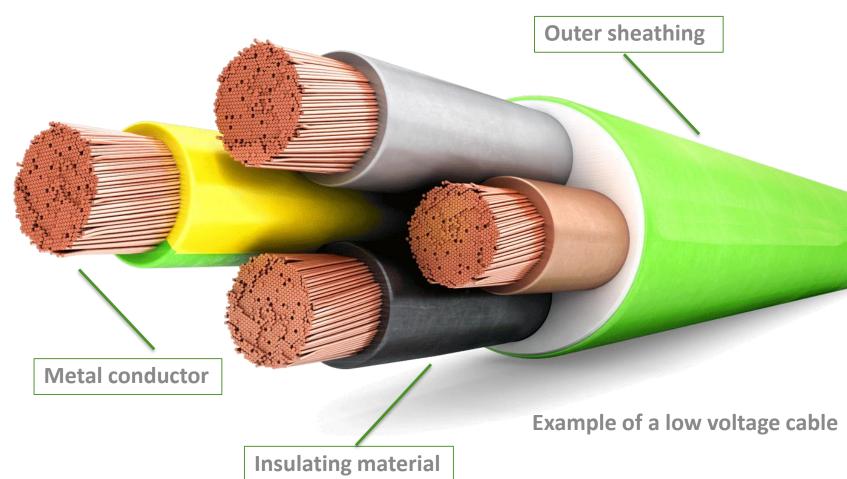
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What is a Cable?

- Cables are designed to convey electricity and/or data
- **C** They usually consist of:
 - **c** Metal conductor
 - **c** Insulating material
 - **c** Outer sheathing
- The more electrified & digitized our world will become, the more cables we will need





CPR for Cables: Why Stringent Rules are Relevant



Cables are everywhere!

Due to the high volume of cables in buildings, stringent fire safety requirements are key to reduce cable ignition and/or fire propagation through cables as well as additional hazards for people



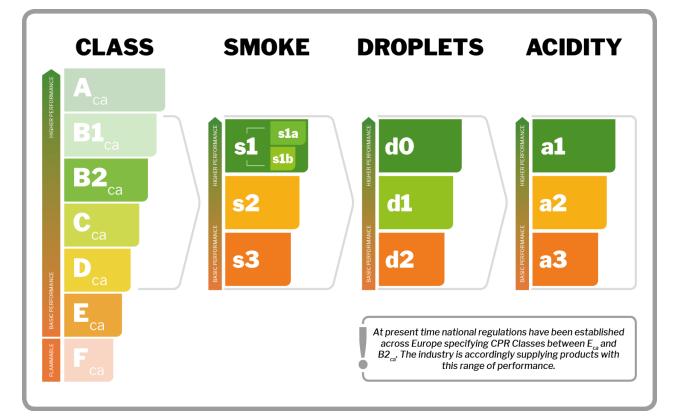
Cables are key for fire safety!

In case of fire, power supply and communication must be available to enable fire safety systems to operate properly



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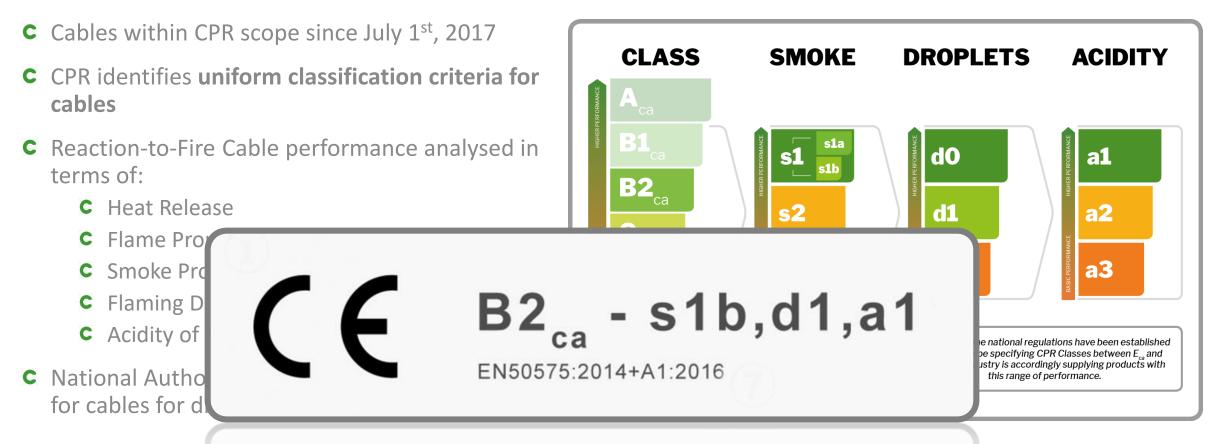
- **C** Cables within CPR scope since July 1st, 2017
- C CPR identifies uniform classification criteria for cables
- **C** Reaction-to-Fire Cable performance analysed in terms of:
 - C Heat Release
 - **c** Flame Propagation
 - **C** Smoke Production
 - **C** Flaming Droplets
 - **c** Acidity of Emissions
- C National Authorities regulate fire performance for cables for different applications



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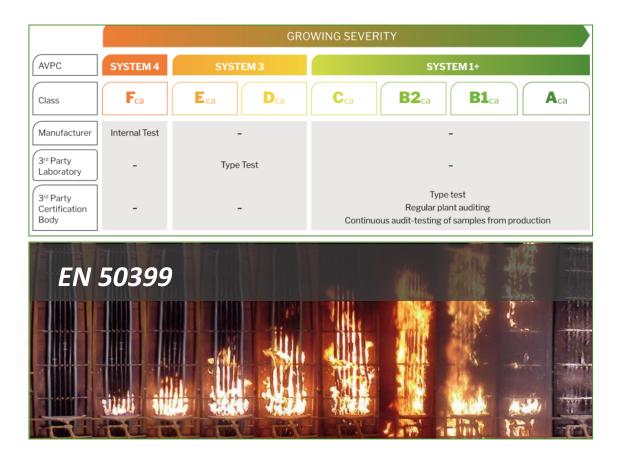


CPR for Cables: Common & Severe Test Methods for Fire-Reaction

C The CPR identifies common and severe test methods for cable performance

Proper test implementation is key!

- C The European cable industry cooperates with Notified Bodies to maintain and improve testing methods on fire-reaction
- **C** Cooperation results:
 - C Support Group 22 (Notified Bodies) issued new Guidance Document on EN 50399 in October 2019 ✓
 - C Modifications to be soon reflected in revision of testing method EN 50399



> Cooperation between industry and notified bodies is vital to promote fire safety



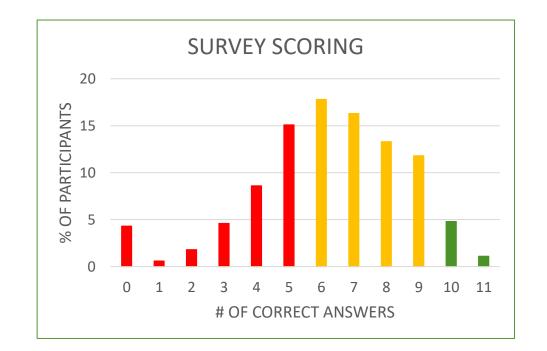
CPR for Cables: Fire Safety is Your Responsibility Too!

- **C** CPR identifies **clear obligations** for manufacturers, importers, distributors
- **C** However, fire safety is not ONLY our responsibility!
- **C** All parties in the cable supply chain, including wholesalers, specifiers and installers have precise legal responsibilities for safety in case of fire, starting with compliance with the CPR

Survey

- **C** Survey to measure CPR knowledge in electrical industry
- **C** In April 2019 around 2,000 professionals from 6 EU Countries (FR, DE, IT, ES, SE & UK)
- C Results: 95% of respondents have poor knowledge of CPR

> All parties need to be aware of their responsibilities





CPR for Cables: Educating the Stakeholders

RCOACH

Europacable Awareness Campaign

- **c** Duration: 12 months (launched in May 2019)
- C Target groups: specifiers, installers, end-users

C Tools:

- **c** dedicated <u>website</u> covering 13 EU countries + Norway;
- **c** training programme;
- c webinars and country-specific materials
- C Objective: Make all professionals aware of their responsibilities and benefits deriving from CPR

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Fire Safety is a SHARED responsibility!

Fundamentos de la CPR

Los 5 aspectos fundamentales del Reglamento de

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