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**Multicore and symmetrical pair/quad cables for digital
communications - Part 21: Horizontal floor wiring - Blank detail
specification**

数字通信用对绞或星绞多芯对称电缆 第21部分：水平层布线电缆 空白详细规范
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Foreword

This document complies with the provisions of GB/T 1.1-2020 "Standardization Work Guidelines Part 1: Structure and Drafting Rules of Standardization Documents".

Drafting.

This document is Part 21 of GB/T 18015 "Twisted or Star-Twisted Multi-Core Symmetrical Cables for Digital Communication". GB/T 18015 has been issued.

The following parts were laid out.

- Part 1: General Specifications;
- Part 11: General Specifications for Competency Accreditation;
- Part 2: Horizontal Cabling Cables with Twisted Pair or Star-Shaped Symmetrical Cables and Transmission Characteristics of 100MHz and Below specification;
- Part 21: Detailed Specifications for Blanking Cables in Horizontal Cabling Layers;
- Part 22: Horizontal Cabling Cable Capability Approval Specification;
- Part 3: Work Area Cabling Cable Specifications;
- Part 31: Detailed Specifications for Blank Cabling in Work Areas;
- Part 32: Work Area Cabling Capability Approval Specification;
- Part 4: Specifications for Vertical Cabling Cables;
- Part 41: Detailed Specifications for Vertical Cabling Cable Blanks;
- Part 42: Vertical Cabling Cable Capability Accreditation Specification;
- Part 5: Horizontal Cabling Cables with Twisted Pair or Star-Shaped Symmetrical Cables

and Transmission Characteristics of 600MHz and Below specification;

---Part 6: Work Area Cabling Cables for Twisted Pair or Star-Twisted Symmetrical Cables with Transmission Characteristics of 600MHz and Below specification;

---Part 7: Twisted-pair or star-twisted symmetrical cables for digital and analog communication with transmission characteristics of 1200MHz and below specification;

---Part 8: Work Area Cabling Cables for Twisted Pair or Star-Shaped Symmetrical Cables with Transmission Characteristics of 1200MHz and Below specification.

This document replaces GB/T 18015.21-2007 "Digital Communication - Twisted Pair or Star-Twisted Multi-Core Symmetrical Cables - Part 21: Horizontal Layer Layout" the "Detailed Specification for Blank Cables and Wires" differs from GB/T 18015.21-2007 in that, aside from structural adjustments and editorial changes, the main technical changes are as follows.

as follows.

- a) Added terms and definitions (see Chapter 3);
- b) The requirements for Category 4 cables have been removed (see Chapter 3 of the 2007 edition);
- c) The detailed specification development guidelines have been revised (see Chapter 4, Chapter 3 of the 2007 edition);
- d) The requirement for unbalanced resistance between wire pairs has been increased (see Table 1);
- e) The dielectric strength requirements have been changed (see Table 1, Chapter 4, 2007 edition);
- f) The requirements for capacitor imbalance have been changed (see Table 1, Chapter 4, 2007 edition);
- g) The transfer impedance requirements have been changed (see Table 1, Chapter 3, 2007 edition);
- h) The temperature range for environmental impact has been changed (see Table 1, Chapter 4, 2007 edition);
- i) The requirements for unbalanced decay have been changed (see Table 1, Chapter 4, 2007 edition);
- j) Remote crosstalk has been removed (see Chapter 4 of the 2007 edition);
- k) The characteristic impedance requirements have been changed (see Table 1, Chapter 4, 2007 edition);

- l) Structural return loss has been removed (see Chapter 4 of the 2007 edition);
- m) Increased requirements for return loss (see Table 1);
- n) Increased size requirements (see Table 1);
- o) Cable flattening test, impact test, and repeated bending test have been added (see Table 1);
- p) Added winding test after insulation thermal aging, high temperature pressure test of sheath and thermal shock test (see Table 1).

This document is modified to adopt IEC 61156-2-1:2010 "Twisted or star-struck multi-core symmetrical cables for digital communication - Part 2-1.Horizontal layers" Detailed specifications for blank cabling and cable.

This document has undergone significant structural adjustments compared to IEC 61156-2-1:2010.A comparison of the structural numbering changes between the two documents is provided below.

See Appendix A for the table of contents.

The technical differences between this document and IEC 61156-2-1:2010, and the reasons therefor, are as follows.

---The normative standard GB/T 18015.2-202X has replaced IEC 61156-3 and GB/T 18015.2-202X.

The conformity level of IEC 61156-2:2010 has been modified to adapt to my country's technical conditions;

---The normative reference has been changed from IEC 61156-1:2002 to IEC 61156-1:2023 to conform to the latest IEC standard (see...).

[4] in Table 1);

---Added terms and definitions (see Chapter 3) to conform to the requirements of the existing standards system;

---The requirement for "shielding/shielding" in dielectric strength has been removed (see Chapter 4 of IEC 61156-2-1:2010), consistent with GB/T 18015.2.

The requirements remain consistent;

---The requirement for "shielding/shielding" in insulation resistance has been removed (see Chapter 4 of IEC 61156-2-1:2010), consistent with GB/T 18015.2.

The requirements remain consistent;

---Structural return loss (see Chapter 4 of IEC 61156-2-1:2010) has been removed to align with the requirements of GB/T 18015.2;

---Return loss has been increased (see Table 1), consistent with the requirements of GB/T 18015.2.

The following editorial changes have been made to this document.

---The standard name has been changed to "Digital Communication Twisted-Pair or Star-Twisted Multi-Core Symmetrical Cables - Part 21: Horizontal Cabling Cables (Blank Details)" Detailed Specifications;

---The scope has been expanded to include the description "with transmission characteristics of 100MHz and below", aligning it with the scope of GB/T 18015.2.

(See Chapter 1);

---Added an informative Appendix A, "Structure Number Comparison Table".

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Introduction

Digital communication multi-core symmetrical cables, whether twisted-pair or star-struck, are widely used in information technology, building cabling, security monitoring, industrial control, and machinery.

Applications include people, vehicle-mounted internet, aircraft, ships, data centers, and rail transportation. In addition to transmitting digital information, these cables can also provide low-voltage power supply.

Electrical function. GB/T 18015 "Twisted-pair or star-struck multi-core symmetrical cables for digital communication" aims to establish the production of symmetrical cables with twisted-pair or star-struck structures.

The basic standard documents for this type of cable product provide a basis for its design, production, acceptance, testing, and certification, and are proposed to consist of twenty-four parts.

constitute.

---Part 1: General Specification. This section aims to specify the general requirements for this type of cable.

---Part 11: General Specifications for Capability Accreditation. The purpose is to establish a general framework and format for accreditation of this type of cable capability.