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FOREWORD

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This Standard provides information on specifying optical fiber cables for use as drop cables in telecommunications applications.

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- Addition of new fiber types
- Addition of a buffer tube kink test
- New, altered definitions of composite and hybrid cables
- Addition of an Expanded Ambient Test Condition and designation of those tests which utilize it.

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personnel using suitable equipment will manufacture, test, install, and/or perform maintenance on cables defined by this Standard.

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