**PART R70**

**TELECOMMUNICATIONS CABLING**

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1. **GENERAL**

This Part specifies the requirements for the supply and installation of telecommunications cabling used for Intelligent Transport Systems (ITS). This Part must be read in conjunction with the following:

Part R53 Conduits and Pits

Part R60 “General Requirements for the Supply of ITS Equipment”

Part R61 “Installation of ITS Equipment”

Where there is a conflict between the requirements of this document and the requirements of any other document referencing or referenced by this document, the stricter of the two requirements, or that which provides the highest level of service, must apply.

The following documents are referenced in this Part:

AS/CA S008:2010 (downloadable from <http://commsalliance.com.au/Documents/all/Standards>)

AS/CA S009:2013 (downloadable from <http://commsalliance.com.au/Documents/all/Standards>)

AS3080:2013

ITU-T G.650.3 and G.650.3 Amendment 1 (02/2011)

ITU-T G651.1

ITU-T G652

IEC 60793-2-50

IEC 61300-3-35

ISO/IEC 11801

ISO/IEC 14763-3

1. **SUPPLY OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS CABLING**
   1. **General**

All cables to be installed in tunnels, or any other situation required by regulations, must be plenum-type (Low Smoke Zero Halogen or LSZH) cable.

All cables to be installed where they will be normally exposed to sunlight must have a UV stable outer jacket.

* 1. **Twisted - Pair Copper Cables**
     1. **LAN Cables**

Cables intended for Local Area Networks must:

1. Be of balanced, twisted pair construction (shielded or unshielded);
2. Be compliant with the relevant requirements of AS/CA S008:2010 and AS/NZS 3080:2013.
3. For network connections up to a speed of 1Gbps, be certified to a minimum of Category 6.
4. For network connections at speeds greater than 1Gbps, be certified to a minimum of Category 7.
5. Be terminated in purpose-designed break-out enclosures or patch panels using Insulation Displacement Connector terminations rated to the same Category as the cable.
6. Be terminated at both ends using the 568A standard pin-out.
   * 1. **Patch Panels – LAN Cables**

Patch panels used to terminate LAN cables must comply with the following requirements;

1. Be suitable for the type and number of cables being terminated;
2. Have a means of positively securing and supporting the cables such that no strain is placed on the terminations either during installation, after installation or during maintenance operations;
3. For network connections up to a speed of 1Gbps, connectors must be certified to a minimum of Category 6.
4. For network connections at speeds greater than 1Gbps, connectors must be certified to a minimum of Category 7.
5. All ports must be clearly labelled using indelible labels appropriate for the patch panel and the installation environment, such that the purpose for or service connected to each port can be clearly identified. The labelling legends must be agreed with the Superintendent and must be included on the Cable Schedule (see section 7 below).
   * 1. **Coaxial Cables - Video**

Co-axial cables for video must comply with the following characteristics:

1. Use a solid or stranded copper centre conductor (MATV cable with a copper-clad steel centre conductor must not be used).
2. For cables to be installed underground or through duct work, use a solid polyethylene dielectric; foam dielectric cable is acceptable for indoor situations e.g. in racks in a computer room.
3. minimum shield coverage of 95%.
4. Characteristic impedance (Zo) of 75Ω.
5. Attenuation <= 0.33dB/m at 1GHz.
6. Environmental operating temperature range of –40°C to 80°C.
   * 1. **Coaxial Cable – RF**

Co-axial cables for radio frequency applications must comply with the following characteristics:

1. Have a characteristic impedance (Zo) of 50Ω (or to match the Zo of the connected equipment).
2. Minimum shield coverage of 98%.
3. Be selected to minimise losses at the operating frequency.
4. Environmental operating temperature range of –40°C to 80°C.
   * 1. **Co-axial Cable Connectors**

Co-axial cable connectors must comply with the following specifications:

1. Must be of a type designed for the cable being terminated.
2. Have a return loss of greater than 26 dB.
3. A characteristic impedance matching the cable.
4. Must be installed to the cable in accordance with the manufacturer’s instructions, using the manufacturer’s recommended tools.
5. Where coaxial connectors/cables are placed in environmental service, connections must be selected and treated in accordance with best industry practice to ensure protection against environmental conditions.
   * 1. **Serial Data Cables**

Cables used for RS422/RS485 serial data connections must be comply with the following specifications;

1. Be of shielded, twisted pair construction.
2. Minimum shield coverage of 95%.
3. Characteristic impedance (Zo) of 120Ω.
4. Attenuation (dB/30m) <= 0.600dB at 1MHz.

RS232 serial connections must only be used if they are for connections between equipment located within the same equipment rack or enclosure. Cables used for RS232 serial data must comply with the following requirements;

1. Be factory manufactured cables.
2. Be of shielded construction.
3. Use moulded connectors and strain relief.
4. Use connectors of the correct gender and number of pins to match the port they are plugged into; adaptors (e.g. 9-pin to 25-pin) or “gender changers” will not be accepted.
5. Have all necessary pins connected through end-to-end.
6. If “Null Modem” cables are required then these must be clearly labelled as such.
   * 1. **Copper Communications Cable Joints**

Copper communications cables must not be jointed in pits without the approval of the Superintendent.

Copper Communications cable joints in pits must comply with the following requirements:

1. be suitable for underground installation;
2. utilise joints or connectors appropriate for the cable type;
3. be housed in suitable, re-enterable joint enclosures rated to a minimum of IP67 (or equivalent i.e. no ingress of water in harmful quantities with immersion up to 1m for 30 minutes)Attenuation (dB/30m) <= 0.600dB at 1MHz;
4. be purpose-made and installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions; and
5. non-corroding fittings and fasteners must be used on enclosures and approved by the Superintendent prior to installation.

The Contractor must be suitably trained in such jointing techniques.

* 1. **Optical Fibre Cables**
     1. **General**

Single mode optical fibre cable must be used for all new installations. Departures from this clause will only be granted in extreme cases by the Superintendent, where a clear benefit has been demonstrated by choosing multi-mode optical fibre and must be approved in writing.

Multi-mode fibre may be used when extending existing multi-mode installations that are not being replaced.

* + 1. **Single-mode Cable**

All single-mode optical fibre cables must be non-armoured and meet the following requirements:

1. Type OS2 conforming to ITU-T Recommendation G.652.D (IEC 60793-2-50 B1.3).
2. Core diameter – 9 μm.
3. Cladding diameter – 125 μm.
4. Coating diameter – 250 μm.
5. Fibres must be enclosed by a silicone or other approved composite resin material enclosed within colour coded loose tubes formed around a non-metallic central strength member. Solid polyethylene fillers must form part of the cable to produce a circular cable and each fibre within a tube must be individually coloured conforming to AS/CA S008:2010.
6. Maximum attenuation per kilometre at 1 310 nm optical frequency - 0.4 dB/km.
7. Maximum attenuation per kilometre at 1 550 nm optical frequency - 0.3 dB/km.
   * 1. **Multi-mode Cable**

All multi-mode optical fibre cables must be non-armoured and meet the following requirements:

1. Type OM3 conforming to ITU-T Recommendation G.651.1.
2. Core diameter - 50 ± 3 μm.
3. Cladding diameter – 125 ± 2μm graded index.
4. Coating diameter – 250 μm.
5. Fibres must be enclosed by a silicone or other approved composite resin material enclosed within colour-coded loose tubes formed around a central strength member. Solid polyethylene fillers must form part of the cable to produce a circular cable and each fibre within a tube must be individually coloured.
6. Maximum attenuation of 3.5 dB/km @ 850 nm.
7. Maximum attenuation of 1.0 dB/km @ 1 310 nm.
8. Not less than 500 MHz transmission bandwidth @ 850 nm.
9. Not less than 500 MHz transmission bandwidth @ 1 310 nm.
10. Numerical Aperture 0.2 ± 0.015.
    * 1. **Fibre Optic Break Out Trays (FOBOTs)**

FOBOT’s must meet the following requirements:

1. 19" Rack Mountable where 19” rack mount facilities are available, otherwise DIN Rail mount or surface mount as appropriate for the enclosure.
2. Use SC/AP connectors; alternative connectors e.g. LC must not be used unless specifically stated in the contract specification.
3. Provide for sufficient clearance from connectors to all other surfaces (including cabinet doors) to ensure that patch cables connecting to the FOBOT are not improperly bent, stressed or damaged.
4. Suitable for housing fusion splices.
5. Suitable for loose tube and riser cable installation.
6. Be appropriately installed in the enclosure/cabinet to ensure fibre can be installed in compliance with its minimum bending radius.
7. Provide for rear or side cable entry as appropriate to facilitate requirement (f) above.
8. All connectors/ports on the FOBOT must be clearly labelled using a labelling system appropriate for the FOBOT and the installation environment such that the purpose for or service connected to each port is clearly identified. The labelling legends must be agreed with the Superintendent prior to installation commencing and must be included on the Splicing Schedule (refer Clause 7 “Cable Schedule).
   * 1. **Optical Fibre Connectors and Pigtails**

Optical Fibre pigtails terminating optical fibre cables entering equipment enclosures must not be directly connected to equipment. The Contractor must terminate all incoming optical fibres in appropriate FOBOT enclosures complying with Clause 2.3.4 above.

Optical fibre connectors on patch cables and pigtails inside FOBOT’s must conform to the following specifications;

1. Be guaranteed for a minimum of 500 operations.
2. Must meet or exceed the performance standards specified in ITU-T-Rec L.36; QA documentation from the manufacturer of the patch cord or pigtail must be accepted as evidence of conformance with this requirement.
3. All unused optical connectors must have dust caps fitted.
4. Connectors must be colour coded according to the type of connector end-face finish; Angle Physical Contact (APC) connectors must have a green body, Physical Contact (PC) Connectors must have a blue body. Additional colour coding (e.g. as per Telcordia GR-326 – see ITU-T Rec L.36 Appendix 1) is optional but should be defined in the “as-built” documentation.
5. Insertion loss must be as specified in Table 9-1, ITU-T-Rec L.36, Grade B or Grade C.
6. Return loss must be as specified in Table 9-2, ITU-T-Rec L.36, Grade 1 (APC connectors) or Grade 2 (PC connectors).
   * 1. **Optical Fibre Patch Leads**

Optical fibre patch leads must be supplied suitable to connect all equipment to the FOBOT. Patch leads must comply with the following requirements;

1. be a minimum of 2 metres in length;
2. must have connectors matching those in the FOBOT and the equipment to be connected. Matching must include end finish (e.g. APC connectors must only be mated to APC connectors, PC connectors must only be mated to PC connectors); and
3. connectors must comply with Clause 2.3.5.
   * 1. **Cable Management**

The Contractor must provide appropriate methods of cable management for all cables within enclosures such that they are;

1. properly secured;
2. neatly and properly routed; and
3. protected from damage during normal operation and maintenance of the equipment.

The Contractor must ensure that cable separation/segregation as required under the various applicable standards (e.g. AS/CA S009:2013, AS3000) is maintained at all times during normal operation.

* + 1. **Optical Fibre Cable Joints and Splices**

All joints must use fusion splices, splice protectors and be held in a purpose made splice organiser. Joints must be made in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

Splices must have an insertion loss of 0.1 dB or less.

All splicing must be carried out in strict accordance with the cable manufacturer's and splicer manufacturer's instructions. All persons performing optical fibre splicing must be suitably trained in such jointing techniques.

In pits, optical fibre cable housings must be suitable for underground installation and have an open-able waterproof seal.

Splice enclosures must not be left “free floating’ in pits and must be mounted to the long side of the pit using a purpose-made bracket. All fittings and fastenings must be non-corrosive. Fastener threads must be treated with a suitable anti-seize compound.

1. **INSTALLATION OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS CABLES**
   1. **General**

This Clause provides additional requirements to those of Part R61 “Installation of ITS Equipment”.

1. Installation of communications cabling must be undertaken only by or under the direct supervision of a person or persons holding an ACMA Open Cabling License, preferably with the appropriate endorsements for the type of cabling being performed. Evidence of cabling registration for installers and/or supervisors is to be submitted to the Superintendent prior to commencement if installation. This must constitute a **HOLD POINT**.
2. Telecommunications cables must be installed as a continuous run with no unnecessary joins and must be enclosed by conduit throughout. The conduit routes and cable routes to be utilised must be as shown on the Drawings.
3. Where only non-metallic cables (e.g. optical fibres) are installed in a conduit run (e.g. a single conduit running to an equipment cabinet) with no other metallic cables running alongside either in the same or adjacent ducts, a tracer wire must be installed in the conduit along with the non-metallic cable to facilitate future cable location.
4. The Contractor must confirm that the conduits are suitable for cable installation prior to hauling the cable. The Contractor must provide a polypropylene or equivalent rot-proof draw cord of 5 kN breaking load in each conduit on completion of cable installation. Draw cord ends must be secured within the pits to which the conduit is terminated.
5. No cables must be left exposed at the end of any work period.
6. In the event of any cable damage during installation the whole of the particular length of cable concerned must be removed, replaced and re-connected at the Contractor's expense prior to system commissioning.
7. Where any cable is vandalised or stolen while under the control of the Contractor, the cable must be replaced with an equal length of unbroken cable at the Contractor’s expense.
8. The Contractor must identify all cables at all jointing and termination points. Cables must be labelled as detailed in Clause 6 “Cable Labelling System” immediately following installation.
9. For copper cables all unused cores must be clearly identified (i.e. with cable number) and terminated with each core occupying a separate terminal.
10. For backbone optical fibre cable all unused cores must be spliced through end to end.
11. For optical fibre spur cables each unused core must be coiled within a fibre splice cassette in the joint and the FOBOT.
12. The draw cord must not be used for hauling the cable but must be used to pull through a purpose-made braided cable hauling rope. The cable hauling rope must be attached to the cable by the method approved by the cable manufacturer. The Contractor must attach a swivel between the cable hauling rope and the point of attachment to the cable.
13. Cables must be hauled using a dynamic mechanical winch fitted with a clutch properly adjusted to ensure that the maximum hauling tension for the cable (as specified by the cable manufacturer) is not exceeded at any time.
14. The hauling tension must be continuously monitored by the Contractor during the hauling operation. If the hauling tension is exceeded, hauling must stop immediately, the cable must be inspected and tested for damage. The Superintendent must be notified immediately of the event, the results of the inspection and testing, and the action taken to identify and rectify the cause of the excess hauling tension and must constitute a **HOLD POINT.**
15. Bell mouths must be fitted to the entry and exit of every conduit, including intermediate points, prior to the commencement of cable installation and must remain in place after installation.
16. Cable hauling “slippers” must be used during hauling.
17. Where intermediate pits exist in the cable route the cable must be installed through each chamber in one operation. Cable guides must be used to support the cables in all intermediate pits.
18. The Contractor must ensure that all cables are lubricated during installation using an approved water based biodegradable lubricant.
19. Sufficient length of cable must be allowed for correct termination.
20. Cables must be sealed against the ingress of moisture when termination does not proceed immediately following installation.
21. The cable-manufacturer-specified minimum bend radius for the cable must not be violated at any time, The Contractor must be deemed to be fully informed that the minimum bend radius during hauling may be different from the minimum bend radius when installed.
22. Where optical fibre breakout is required, only the fibre cores to be spurred off must be jointed. All other cores must remain intact.
    1. **Remake Loops – Copper Cables**

For all cables exceeding 50 metres in length, 5 metre remake loops must be provided at all joint and termination points. Additional 5 metre remake loops must be provided every 500 metres of cable length. These loops must be installed in appropriate pits such that sufficient cable is available for re-termination if and when required.

Cables entering a control room or building must also be provided with 5 metre remake loops as close as practicable to the building entry point. The location of remake loops is to be noted in the “as-built” documentation (refer Clause 7).

* 1. **Remake Loops – Fibre Optic Cables**

Fibre optic cables must be installed with 30 metre remake loops between each pair of splice joints, between splice joints and equipment enclosures and between splice joints and building entry points. Remake loops are to be coiled in suitable pits of minimum P7 size. Remake loops must only be stored in pits smaller than P7 with approval of the Superintendent. Seeking such approval must constitute a **HOLD POINT**. Additionally, 15 metres of optical fibre cable must be left coiled at or near each splice joint.

1. **TESTING AND COMMISSIONING**
   1. **General**

Prior to testing, the Contractor must demonstrate the correct functioning and current calibration of all test equipment. Copies of current calibration certificates must be made available to the Superintendent prior to commencement of testing. Provision of this information must constitute a **HOLD POINT**.

Testing must be carried out by appropriately trained and qualified personnel. Details of the qualifications and experience of the personnel performing the testing must be provided to the Superintendent prior to commencement of testing. Provision of this information must constitute a **HOLD POINT**.

The Contractor must provide at least 48 hours notice of the time and date that each stage of the testing will be undertaken. Provision of the notification must constitute a **HOLD POINT**.

The Superintendent may choose to witness a representative sample of tests as they are conducted. The Superintendent will liaise with the Contractor to make mutually suitable arrangements beforehand.

The results must be submitted within 5 working days of tests being concluded.

Following completion of each package of installation and testing, the installation must be certified as compliant with all relevant standards using a TCA1 Form (one for each separate package of work). Submission of completed TCA1 forms must constitute a **HOLD POINT**.

* 1. **Optical Fibre Testing**

Optical fibre must be tested in accordance with ITU-T G.650.3 (including Amendment 1 02/2011).

Before every mating operation optical fibre connectors must be inspected, cleaned and classified according to IEC 61300-3-35.

Any failure or abnormality during cable testing must be reported and rectified. Following rectification the failed test must be repeated along with sufficient testing to verify that no previously passed cabling has been adversely affected during rectification.

The Contractor must test the completed optical fibre cable system including splices and through connectors in both directions using a bidirectional OTDR test at both 1 310 nm and 1 625 nm optical wavelengths for single mode fibre or 850nm and 1300nm wavelengths for multi-mode fibre.

All testing must be carried out using a launch cable between the OTDR and the fibre under test and a receive cable at the far end. Launch cable and receive cable connectors must be matched to those on the fibre under test.

For fibre cores that are to be connected to equipment the tests must be performed as Channel Tests and must include the patch cables that will connect to the equipment. Once successfully tested the patch cables must remain connected to the patch panel ports on which they have been tested and certified.

Testing of unconnected fibre ports/fibre cores must be done as Permanent Link tests (i.e. minus the patch cables).

All “dark fibre” (unspliced fibre ends) must also be tested using “bare end” tests. The intent is that the entire length of every fibre core is tested and certified by the Contractor prior to hand-over.

Dust caps must be refitted to all unmated connectors immediately after a successful test.

The OTDR parameters must be set such that the residual noise on the trace is less than 0.05dB.

The Contractor must record the following:

1. The name and employer of the person performing the tests.
2. The time and date of the test.
3. Details of the cable being tested (as shown on the cable label and relevant drawings).
4. Test equipment Manufacturer, Model, Serial Number, and Calibration Date.
5. Details of Launch Cable (Manufacturer, Serial Number if applicable, length, type of connectors).
6. The core number, tube, colour, patch panel number and patch panel port of each core being tested.
7. Length of each fibre core (metres).
8. Attenuation of each fibre channel (dB/km) – must be less than 1.0dB/km including all splices, connectors, pig tails and patch leads.
9. Loss of each splice (dB) – must be less than 0.1dB per splice *in both directions*.
10. Distance to each splice (m).
11. Loss of each mated connector pair – must be less than 0.5dB per connector pair.
12. Return loss of each mated connector pair – must be must be ≥55 dB for each connector pair.

[Note that ISO/IEC 14763-3 makes mandatory the return loss measurement of all connector interfaces in an OM3 channel to support 1-10Gbps applications, as return loss can have a significant impact on performance at high data rates.]

The cable will not be accepted if the difference between end-to-end attenuation exceeds 0.5 dB/km for any fibre core between the same two locations.

Test results must be submitted to the Superintendent within 5 days of completion of testing. All failures will be reported, rectified and retested before connection of equipment. Submission of test results must constitute a **HOLD POINT**.

* 1. **Copper Cable Testing**
     1. **General**

The Contractor must test the continuity of each core of a copper communications cable immediately following installation.

The Contractor must carry out the following tests after completion of installation and jointing of copper communications cables:

1. Continuity tests on all copper conductors to check there are no "shorts", "opens" or transitions. The Contractor must rectify any failures prior to commencement of the remaining tests.
2. The loop resistance for each pair must be measured using a "GP", Lines test set (or similar) and appropriately recorded.
3. Insulation Resistance (IR) tests must be carried out using a Megger (or similar) and measurements must not be less than 10 MΩ (at 20°C) at 250V DC after one minute. IR tests are applied between "A" and "B" legs and between "A" and "B" and Earth respectively.

All results must be recorded and forwarded to the Superintendent within 5 days of completion of testing. All failures will be reported, rectified and retested before connection of equipment. Submission of test results must constitute a **HOLD POINT**.

* + 1. **LAN Cables**

LAN cables must be tested using a purpose-designed LAN Cable Analyser in accordance with AS3080:2013;

1. For Category 6 cables, Channel tests to Class EA (minimum) including patch cables;
2. For Category 7 cables, Channel tests to Class F (minimum) including patch cables;

The following information must be recorded for each cable tested:

1. The name and employer of the person performing the tests.
2. The time and date of the test.
3. Details of the cable being tested (as shown on the cable label and relevant drawings).
4. Test equipment Manufacturer, Model, Serial Number, and Calibration Date.
5. Wire Map test result;
6. Resistance (by pair);
7. Length (by pair);
8. Propagation Delay (by pair);
9. Delay Skew (by pair);
10. Insertion Loss (by pair);
11. Return Loss (by pair);
12. NEXT (Near End Cross Talk);
13. PS-NEXT (Power Sum Near Enx Cross Talk);
14. ACR-N (Attenuation to Cross-talk Ratio – Near End)
15. ACR-F (Attenuation to Cross-talk Ratio – Far End)
16. PS-ACR-N
17. PS-ACR-F
18. FEXT (Far End Cross Talk)

These records may be saved and submitted electronically as per Clause 4.4.

All results must be recorded and forwarded to the Superintendent within 5 days of completion of testing. All failures must be reported, rectified and retested before connection of equipment. Submission of test results must constitute a **HOLD POINT**.

* + 1. **RF Coaxial (Antenna) Cables**

Before connecting to equipment, RF coaxial cables must be tested for length, VSWR Return Loss and “Distance to Fault” using a purpose designed RF antenna analyser;

1. Terminated into a dummy load of the same Zo as the cable, prior to connection of the antenna
2. If an antenna is to be used, after connection of the antenna (this test is not relevant to cables used for connection of a microwave Indoor Unit (IDU) to an outdoor unit (ODU).

The following information must be recorded for each cable tested:

1. The name and employer of the person performing the tests.
2. The time and date of the test.
3. Details of the cable being tested (as shown on the cable label and relevant drawings).
4. Test equipment Manufacturer, Model, Serial Number, and Calibration Date.
5. Cable length;
6. Overall insertion loss;
7. VSWR (and/or Return Loss) when terminated into a dummy load (to be less than 1.05:1)
8. VSWR (and/or Return Loss) with antenna connected (if applicable) (to be less than 1.5:1 at the operating frequency);
9. Insertion and Return Loss of all connector interfaces.
10. Screen dump/capture of the test trace if supported by the test equipment (may be printed or in electronic form).

If any anomalies are noted along the cable length the reason for the anomaly is to be investigated, rectified and the cable retested. If the cable is damaged (e.g. crushing, pinching, over-bending/kinking, jacket damage exposing the shield) it must be replaced by the Contractor.

For “Leaky Coax” or other distributed antenna installations in tunnels or building risers the Superintendent is to be consulted regarding appropriate test methodology and accepted pass/fail criteria prior to commencement of installation and testing.

All results must be recorded and forwarded to the Superintendent within 5 days of completion of testing. All failures will be reported, rectified and retested before connection of equipment. Submission of test results must constitute a **HOLD POINT**.

* 1. **Electronic Recording and Submission of Test Results**

Test records may be submitted to the Superintendent in electronic form if available (e.g. from OTDRs, LAN cable analysers, Antenna Analysers). [For LAN Cable tests, electronic reports are preferred over hard-copy reports].

Complete Test Reports generated by the Test Equipment and submitted as PDF files are acceptable in lieu of hard-copy reports provided that all required information (as specified above) is included in the report. If the Contractor wishes to submit test results electronically a sample of each report type must be submitted by the Contractor and approved by the Superintendent prior to commencement of testing. This must constitute a **HOLD POINT**.

Test traces saved by test equipment may be submitted as PDF documents or as images in JPG, BMP or PNG format as a supplement to hard-copy test records.

1. **SIGNAL GROUNDING SYSTEM**
   1. **General**

A Signal Grounding System must be provided so as to minimise the possibility of earth currents inducing electrical noise into data, video and other sensitive circuits.

DC power supplies within the ITS system must be electrically isolated from and not referenced to the main supply earthing system. The 0-Volt connection or return current must not be connected to earth potential.

* 1. **Compliance**

The Signal Grounding System employed at ITS communications facilities must comply with objectives of AS/CA S009:2010.

* 1. **Communications Earth System (CES)**

The Signal Grounding System methodology used for ITS telecommunications installations must be known as a Communications Earth System (CES).

Earth cables used for the CES must have Green/Yellow banded insulation. The CES must be equipotentially bonded to the protective earth system of the electrical installation. The communications bonding conductor must have a minimum cross-sectional area of 6mm2, have Green/Yellow insulation and the route must be as short and as direct as possible. The resistance of the communications bonding conductor must not exceed 0.5 Ohms.

1. **CABLE LABELLING SYSTEM**
   1. **Label Types**

All in-ground cables must be labelled using indelible labels of a type suitable for the installation environment and affixed or secured to the cable in such a manner that they cannot be accidentally removed during normal cable handling (e.g. during maintenance/termination/re-termination activities).

* 1. **Label Location**

Cables must be labelled at the following locations;

1. In equipment cabinets.
2. In hauling pits.
3. Adjacent to joint enclosure entry ports (within 200mm).
4. Where remake loops are stored in pits, at a point on the remake loop where it can be clearly seen without unrolling the loop.
   1. **Label Format**

Cables must be uniquely identified using the following format:

1. Line 1: Service Type Start Point End Point Segment Start – Segment End
2. Line 2: Core Count/Cable Type

Service Types will be as follows:

F – Optical Fibre;

S – Serial Data;

E – Ethernet Data;

V – Coaxial Cable;

R – Radio/RF;

and other prefixes/service types as specified by the Superintendent.

Depending on the dimensions of the supplied labels information may be presented on 3 lines namely:

Line 1: Service Type Start Point End Point

Line 2: Segment Start-Segment End

Line 3: Core Count/Cable Type

An example of cable labelling is given in Attachment R70A.

Cable and device designations must be as agreed with the Superintendent prior to installation. This must constitute a **HOLD POINT**. The same cable designation must be used on the relevant “as-built” drawings as on the cable labels.

1. **Cable Schedule**

The Contractor must produce a Cable Schedule showing (as a minimum) for each cable to be installed;

1. Cable Type;
2. Length (estimated);
3. Cable Designation (as it will be shown on the labels);
4. Termination schedule (for RS422/RS485 serial cables) showing pair allocation;
5. Patch Panel port allocations (for LAN Cables and Optical Fibre cables).

In addition, the Contractor must prepare a Splicing Schedule for Optical Fibre cables showing all fibre core allocations (including spare cores).

The Cable and Splicing schedules must be submitted to the Superintendent 14 business days prior to installation commencing. This must constitute a **HOLD POINT**.

1. **“AS-BUILT” DOCUMENTATION**

Further to Clause R60.14 “As Built Documentation”, the drawings, diagrams and circuits of the actual installation must include the following information:

1. Location and depth of service trenches, containing ITS infrastructure.
2. Layout of and size of ITS conduits and pits.
3. Capacity and type of power cables including communication cables used for ITS purposes.
4. Location and designation of Field Cabinets.
5. Location of Earth Points including the measured earth resistances.
6. Cable termination and testing results including OTDR test results.
7. Schematic diagrams for optical fibre installations (including splicing schedule).
8. **HOLD POINTS**

The following is a summary of Hold Points referenced in this Part:

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| **CLAUSE REF.** | **HOLD POINT** | **RESPONSE TIME** |
| 3.1 (a) | Evidence of Open Cabling Registration for installers/supervisors | 2 Working days |
| 3.1 (n) | Excess hauling tension – approval to recommence hauling | 2 hours |
| 3.3 | Approval for remake loops in pits smaller than P7 | 2 Working days |
| 4.1 | Calibration Test Certificates of equipment | 2 Working days |
| 4.1 | Details of personnel conducting testing | 2 Working days |
| 4.1 | Notification of testing | 48 hours |
| 4.1 | Submission of completed TCA1 Forms | 5 Working days |
| 4.2 | Optical fibre Test records | 5 Working days |
| 4.3.1 | General copper communications cable test results | 5 Working days |
| 4.3.2 | LAN Cable Test Results | 5 Working days |
| 4.3.3 | Coaxial Cable Test Results | 5 Working days |
| 4.4 | Approval of electronic test reports for submission | 2 Working days |
| 6.3 | Cable Designators | 2 Working days |
| 7. | Cable Schedule/Splicing Schedule | 14 Working days |

1. **VERIFICATION REQUIREMENTS AND RECORDS**

The Contractor must supply the following records:

| **CLAUSE REF.** | **SUBJECT** | **RECORD TO BE PROVIDED** |
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| 4 | Testing and commissioning | Test Records  Completed TCA1 Forms |
| 7 | System documentation | “As Built” documentation |

**ATTACHMENT R70A**

**CABLE LABELLING EXAMPLE**

A 96 core SMOF cable running from the Northern Portal Switch Room (Adelaide-Crafers Highway) to OS199, between splice joints SJ111 and SJ222 would be labelled as follows:

F NPSR OS199 SJ111-SJ222

96/SMOF

The next segment between splice joints SJ222 and SJ333 would be labelled:

F NPSR OS199 SJ222-SJ333

96/SMOF

Spur cables between splice joints and devices or field cabinets (with no intervening splice joints) will be labelled similarly:

F OS199 CMS051 SJ111-CMS058

6/SMOF

F NPSR OS199 SJ111-OS199

48/SMOF

This same information may be presented on 3 lines with the start point/end point and segment start/segment end on separate lines (depending on the dimensions of the supplied labels);

F NPSR OS199

SJ111-SJ222

96/SMOF

An RG59 type coaxial cable running from OS199 to CAM 051 would be labelled as follows:

V OS199 CAM051

1/RG59

A Belden 9842 Shielded Twisted Pair RS485 serial cable running to a variable speed limit sign from a field cabinet would be labelled as:

S OS053 VSL079

4/STP

An Category 6 Unshielded Twisted Pair cable used for Serial or Ethernet respectively:

S OS199 CAM051

8/UTP CAT6

E OS199 RAD001

8/UTP CAT6

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