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- b) Generalization of the requirement for the minimum dynamic range for all fibre types (Annex A).

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OPTICAL FIBRES –

Part 1-45: Measurement methods and test procedures – Mode field diameter

1 Scope

This part of IEC 60793 establishes uniform requirements for measuring the mode field diameter (MFD) of single-mode optical fibre, thereby assisting in the inspection of fibres and cables for commercial purposes.

2 Normative references

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IEC 60793-1-40, *Optical fibres – Part 1-40: Attenuation measurement methods*

3 Terms, definitions and abbreviated terms

3.1 Terms and definitions

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3.2 Abbreviated terms

The abbreviated terms are given in Table 1.

Table 1 – Abbreviated terms

Abbreviated term	Full term
CCD	charge-coupled devices
FWHM	full width half maximum
MFD	mode field diameter
OTDR	optical time domain reflectometer
RTM	reference test method