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RADIO-FREQUENCY CONNECTORS –

Part 37: Sectional specification – STWX8 R.F. connectors

1 Scope

This part of IEC 61169, which is a Sectional Specification (SS), provides information and rules for the preparation of Detail Specifications (DS) for type STWX8 R.F. coaxial connectors with push-pull self-lock coupling.

The connectors are normally used with flexible and semi-rigid R.F. cables for middle power applications in conjunction with 50 Ω cables in an operating frequency range up to 4 GHz.

It describes the interface dimensions for general purpose grade 2 connectors, dimensional details for standard test connectors, grade 0, together with gauging information and the mandatory tests selected from QC 220000 (IEC 61169-1), applicable to all DS relating to type STWX8 connectors.

This specification indicates the recommended performance characteristics to be considered when writing a DS and covers test schedules and inspection requirements.

2 Normative references

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IEC 60096 (all parts), *Radio-frequency cables*

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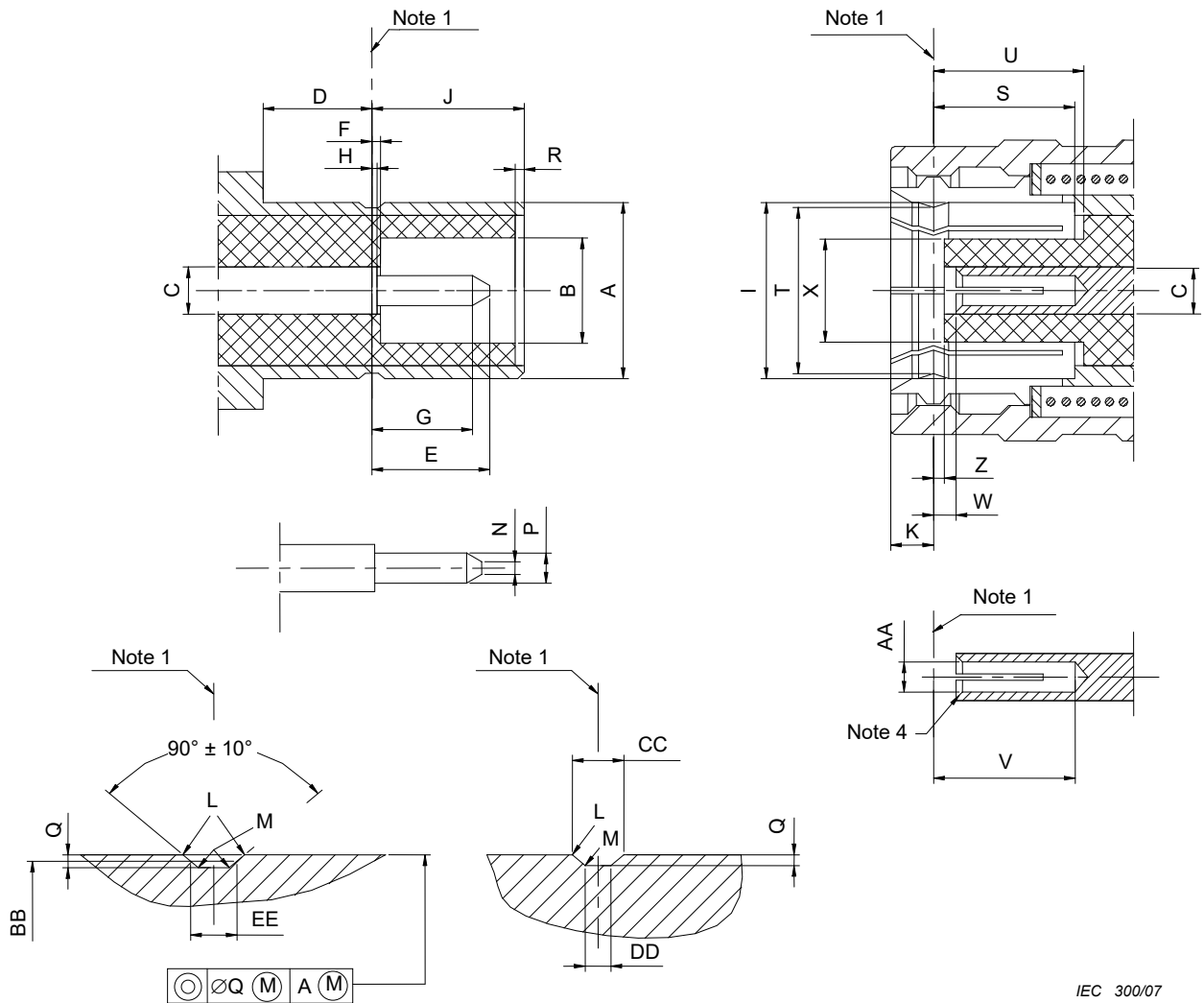
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3 Mating face and gauge information

3.1 Dimensions – General connectors – Grade 2 (Figure 1)

All dimensions are in mm. All un-dimensioned pictorial configurations are for reference purpose only.



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Figure 1 – Mating face of STWX8 connectors
(for dimensions and notes, see Table 1)

Table 1 – Mating face dimensions

Reference	mm		Notes
	Min.	Max.	
A	8,12	8,20	Diameter
B	4,83	----	Diameter
C	2,06	2,21	Diameter
D	4,0	----	
E	5,33	5,84	
F	-----	0,18	
G	4,5	-----	
H	-----	0,18	
I	8,22	8,28	Diameter
J	6,90	7,00	
K	-----	2,20	
L	0,05	0,15	Radius
M	-----	0,13	Radius
N	-----	0,64	Diameter
P	1,32	1,37	Diameter
Q	0,19	0,25	
R	0,00	0,30	
S	7,05	-----	
T	-----	-----	Diameter (see Note 2)
U	7,05	-----	
V	6,00	-----	
W	0,18	-----	
X	-----	4,72	Diameter
Z	0,18	-----	
AA	-----	-----	Diameter (see Note 3)
BB	7,92	8,02	Diameter
CC	1,22	1,42	
DD	0,72	0,92	
EE	1,10		Nominal
NOTE 1 Reference plane: mechanical and electrical.			
NOTE 2 To meet electrical and mechanical requirements.			
NOTE 3 Bore diameter closed to meet electrical and mechanical requirements when mated with a 1,32/1,37 diameter.			

3.2 Gauges for general purpose connectors – Grade 2

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3.2.1 Gauges for socket contact

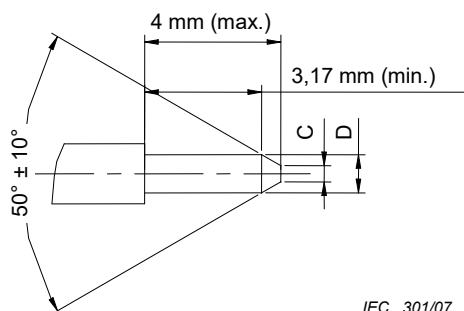


Figure 2 – Gauge pins for contact of socket connectors
(for dimensions, see Table 2)

Table 2 – Gauges dimensions

Reference	Gauge A – Maximum material for sizing purposes		Gauge B – Minimum material for measurement of gauge retention force Mass of gauge: (80 ± 1) g	
	mm		mm	
	min.	max.	min.	max.
D	1,370	1,375	1,315	1,320
C	0	0,64	-----	-----
Material: steel, polished. Surface roughness: Ra = 0,4 µm maximum.				

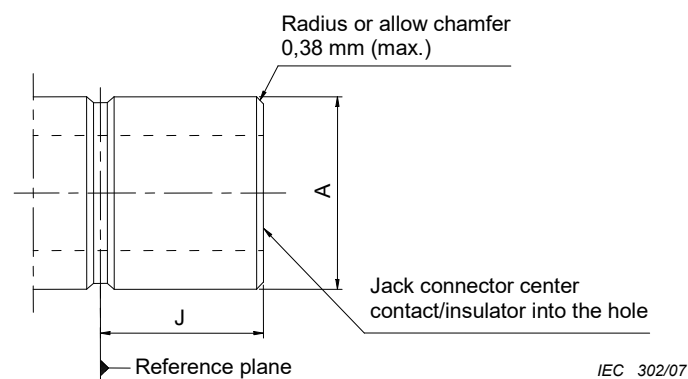
Test procedure

According to 9.3.4 of IEC 61169-1, the gauge A shall be inserted three times into the socket center contact. This is a sizing operation.

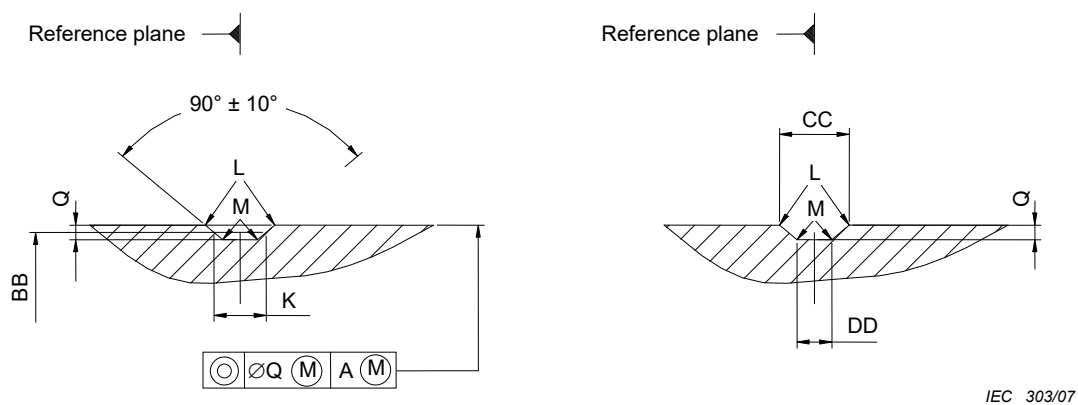
After this, the gauge B shall be inserted into socket centre contact. The contact shall support the mass of the gauge in a vertical downward attitude.

NOTE The minimum diameter of gauge A corresponds to the maximum diameter of a male contact.

3.2.2 Gauges for female outer contact



(A) General dimensions



(B) Alternative coupling grooves

Figure 3 – Gauge for outer of socket connectors
(for dimensions, see Table 3)

Table 3 – Gauge dimensions

Reference	Gauge C-Maximum material for sizing purpose		Gauge D-Minimum material for measurement of gauge retention force	
	mm		mm	
	min.	max.	min.	max.
A	8,185	8,20	8,12	8,135
J	7,05	7,15	7,05	7,15
K	1,1		1,1	
Rad.L	0,05	0,15	0,05	0,15
RadM	----	0,13	-----	0,13
Q	0,2	0,25	0,15	0,20
BB	7,95	7,98	7,95	7,98
CC	1,2	1,4	1,1	1,3
DD	0,6	0,8	0,5	0,7
Material: polished steel.				
Surface roughness: Ra = 0,4 µm max.				

Test procedure

According to 9.3.4 of IEC 61169-1, the gauge C shall be placed three times inside the outer contact. This is a sizing operation.

The gauge D is placed inside the outer contact. The retention force of the gauge shall be 15 N minimum.

3.3 Dimensions – standard test connectors – Grade 0

3.3.1 Socket (female contact)

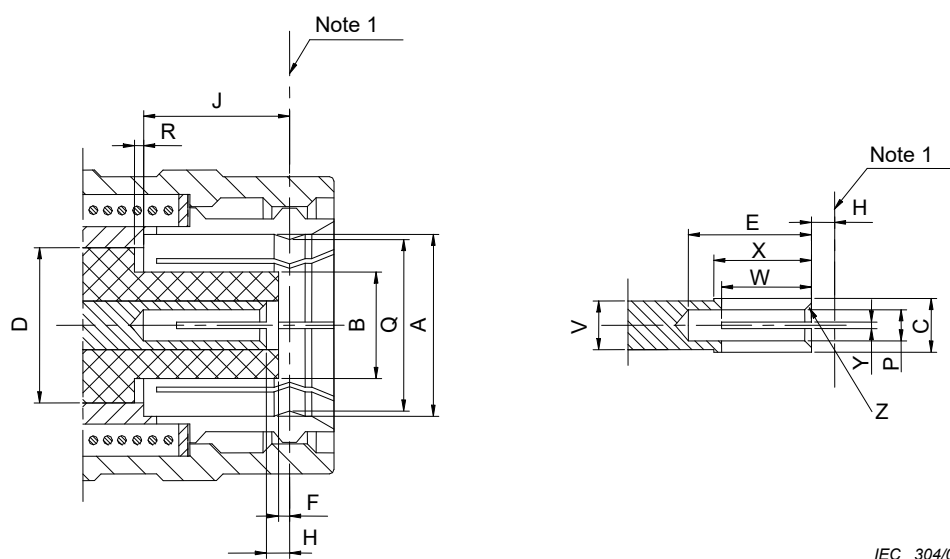


Figure 4 – Female contact
(for dimensions and notes, see Table 4)

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Table 4 – Female contact dimensions

Reference	mm		Notes
	min.	max.	
A	8,22	8,25	Diameter
B	4,67	4,72	see Note 3/Diameter
C	2,16	2,18	see Note 4/Diameter
D	—	—	see Note 2/Diameter
E	6	—	
F	0,27	0,52	
H	0,29	0,57	
J	7,05	7,20	
P	1,39	1,41	Diameter
Q	7,78	7,82	
R	0	0,30	
V	2,13	2,18	Diameter
W	4,62	4,88	
X	6,05	6,10	
Y	0,18	0,23	
Z	0,15	0,25	
NOTE 1 Reference plane: mechanical and electrical.			
NOTE 2 Diameter of outer conductor and length of uniform section of transmission line to give required characteristic impedance of 50 Ω when checked using time domain reflectometer methods.			
NOTE 3 Dimension for use of PTFE dielectric having a dielectric constant of 2,02. Use of PTFE is mandatory.			
NOTE 4 Bore diameter closed to meet electrical and mechanical requirements when mated with a 1,35/1,37 diameter.			

3.3.2 Plug (male contact)

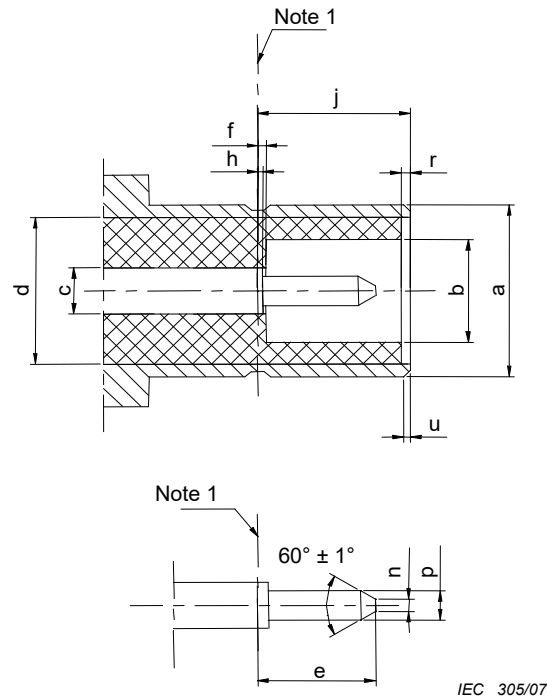


Figure 5 – Male contact
(for dimensions and notes, see Table 5)

Table 5 – Male contact dimensions

Reference	mm		Notes
	min.	max.	
a	8,15	8,20	Diameter
b	4,88	4,93	see Note 3/Diameter
c	2,13	2,18	see Note 2/Diameter
d	—	—	see Note 2/Diameter
e			
f	0,04	0,24	
h	—	0,09	
j	6,95	7,00	
n	—	0,30	
p	1,35	1,37	Diameter
r	0	0,20	Diameter
u	0,10	0,20	
NOTE 1 Reference plane: mechanical and electrical. NOTE 2 Diameter of outer conductor and length of uniform section of transmission line to give required characteristic impedance of 50Ω when checked using time domain reflectometer methods. NOTE 3 Dimension for use of PTFE dielectric having a dielectric constant of 2,02. Use of PTFE is mandatory.			

4 Quality assessment procedure

4.1 General

The following subclauses provide recommended rating, performance and test conditions to be considered when writing a Detail Specification (DS). They also provide an appropriate schedule of tests with the pro-formal blank detail specification and instructions for the preparation of a detail specification.

4.2 Rating and characteristics (see Clause 6 of IEC 61169-1 (QC 220000))

The values indicated below are recommended for type STWX8 connectors and are given for the writer of the detail specification (see Table 6). They are applicable to the condition when the connectors are fully mated.

Certain tests will usually not be required. When these tests are required appropriate values shall be entered in the detail specification at the discretion of the specification writer.

Table 6 – Rating and characteristics

Rating and characteristics	Test method IEC 61169-1 (QC 220000) Subclause	Value	Remarks deviations form standard test method
Electrical			
Nominal impedance		50 Ω	
Frequency range			
Grade 2 connectors			
-flexible cable, straight styles		up to 4 GHz	Or upper frequency limit of cable
-semi-rigid cable straight styles		up to 4 GHz	
-right-angle styles		up to 4 GHz	
Reflection factor ¹⁾	9.2.1		
Grade 2 connectors			
-flexible cable straight styles		$\leq 0,11 + 0,02f$	
-flexible cable right angle styles		$\leq 0,15 + 0,03f$	
-semi-rigid cable straight styles		$\leq 0,11 + 0,01f$	
-semi-rigid cable right angle styles		$\leq 0,15 + 0,02f$	
-component mounting styles		see detail specification	
-solder bucket and PCB mounting styles			
Center contact resistance ²⁾	9.2.3		
-initial		$\leq 0,2 \text{ m}\Omega$	
-after conditioning		$\leq 3,0 \text{ m}\Omega$	
Outer conductor continuity ²⁾	9.2.3		
-initial		$\leq 1,0 \text{ m}\Omega$	
-after conditioning		$\leq 2,0 \text{ m}\Omega$ increase	
Insulation resistance ²⁾	9.2.5		
-initial		$\geq 5 \text{ G } \Omega$	
-after conditioning		$\geq 500 \text{ M}\Omega$	
Proof voltage at sea level ³⁾⁴⁾	9.2.6		
-cable 96IEC-50-3-1, IEC 50-3-7		1 000 V	4,4 kPa approximately equivalent to 20 km
-cable 96IEC50-5-1, IEC50-5-2		1 500 V	
-semi-rigid 3,58 mm diameter		1 000 V	
-semi-rigid 6,35 mm diameter		1 500 V	
Proof voltage at 4,4 kPa ³⁾⁴⁾	9.2.6		
-cables 96IE50-3-1, IEC50-3-7		100 V	4,4 kPa approximately equivalent to 20 km
-cables 96IEC50-5-1, IEC50-5-2		125 V	
-semi-rigid 3,58 mm diameter		100 V	
-semi-rigid 6,35 mm diameter		125 V	
Environmental test voltage at sea level ³⁾⁴⁾	9.2.6		
-cables 96IEC50-3-1, IEC50-3-7		350 V	
-cables 96 IEC50-5-1, IEC50-5-2		500 V	
-semi-rigid 3,58 mm diameter		350 V	
-semi-rigid 6,35 mm diameter		500 V	
Environmental test voltage at 4,4 kPa ³⁾⁴⁾	9.2.6		
-cables 96IE50-3-1, IEC50-3-7		85 V	Z _t ≤ 31,6 mΩ,
-cables 96IEC50-5-1, IEC50-5-2		100 V	
-semi-rigid 3,58 mm diameter		85 V	
-semi-rigid 6,35 mm diameter		100 V	
Screening effectiveness (cable connector only) ⁷⁾	9.2.8	$\geq 70 \text{ dB at } 1 \text{ GHz}$ See DS	Extinction voltage at 4,4 kPa
Discharge test (corona)			

Rating and characteristics	Test method IEC 61169-1 (QC 220000) Subclause	Value	Remarks deviations form standard test method
Mechanical			
Center contact captivation	9.3.5	24 N na ⁶⁾	
-axial force			
-torque			
Engagement and separation	9.3.6	128 N max. 15 N min.	
-engagement force			
-separation force			
Gauge retention force (resilient contacts)	9.3.4	0,77 N min. 15 N min.	
-center contact			
-outer contact			
Technical tests on cable fixing			
-cable rotation (nutation)	9.3.7.2	See DS	
-cable pulling	9.3.8		
-cable bending	9.3.9		
-cable torsion	9.3.10		
Tensile strength of coupling mechanism	9.3.11	≥300 N	
Bending moment (and shearing force)	9.3.12	na	
Vibration	9.3.3	98 m/s ² 10 Hz to 2 000 Hz	
Shock	9.3.14	See DS	
Environmental			
Climatic category		55/125/21	100 to 110 kPa pressure
Sealing non-hermetic	9.4.5.1	1 cm ³ /h max.	
Hermetic	9.4.5.2	na	
Salt mist	9.4.6	48 h spray	
Sulphur Dioxide test	9.4.8	10 days	
Endurance			
Mechanical endurance	9.5	500 operations	
High temperature endurance ⁵⁾	9.6	1 000 h at 125 °C	
1) These values apply to basic connector. In practice, these may be influenced by the cable used and reference should always be made to the actual values given in the detail specification.			
2) Values for a single pair of connectors.			
3) Voltages are r.m.s values of a.c. at 40 Hz to 65 Hz unless otherwise stated.			
4) Some cables usable with these connectors have ratings lower than the values given here.			
5) For certain connectors, the upper temperature limit is restricted by the cable characteristics. Reference should be made to the relevant cable specification. When semi-rigid cables are used, the upper temperature is limited to 115 °C maximum.			
6) na - not applicable.			
7) When interfaces are fully mated.			