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## Scope

This manual is one of a series containing standards for construction of the BC Hydro electrical distribution plant within the service area of BC Hydro. A new distribution plant shall be designed, constructed, owned, operated, maintained and repaired to these standards.

## Purpose of Standards

BC Hydro objectives require standardization to:
a) Ensure uniform safety requirements comply with $B C$ statutes and regulations.
b) Provide uniform system reliability.
c) Provide uniform operating practices.
d) Permit economic bulk purchasing of materials.
e) Achieve optimum life cycle cost of plant construction.
f) Effect efficient quality assurance.

## Responsibility

The Distribution Standards Department prepares these standards and verifies that specified plant and procedures will perform adequately under all normally expected conditions encountered throughout the province of British Columbia. These standards are approved by Professional Engineers. It is the responsibility of BC Hydro Managers to ensure that the standards are followed unless abnormal conditions are encountered that require variations. These variations should be kept to a minimum and their performance shall be the responsibility of the Professional of Record in charge of the project, who will record and seal the variation based on satisfactory qualifications and experience to do so. As per the latest revision of the BC Hydro Distribution Owner's Engineer Guide, these variations must be accepted by BC Hydro's Owner's Engineer.

## Use of Stock Materials

The electrical distribution plant covered by these standards is built using stock materials approved by a Professional Engineer as required by law. The use of non-stock materials for special and unusual situations must be approved by Distribution Standards or the BC Hydro Engineer responsible for the project.

## Revisions to Manual

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## Notes

1. Minimum dimension given for neutral space (safety clearance zone) is a regulatory requirement per CSA C22.3 No.1, table 23 (communications safety space).
Caution: Depending on span lengths and wire sags, additional safety clearance zone space may be required to avoid mid-span wire interference between BC Hydro neutral/secondary wires and communication messengers.
See ES43 C1-01.02, C1-01.04, C2-03, and C2-04 for typical spacing.

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2. Minimum TELUS ground clearance at the pole is mandated by the BC Hydro/TELUS joint use agreement. Caution: The minimum TELUS attachment heights are not always adequate and additional clearance must be added. Depending on line topography, span lengths, service drop lengths and TELUS cable sizes, additional road clearance at the pole may be required to meet inspan clearance requirements. See ES43 B1-03 and B1-11 and ES55 E1-02 Pole Height and E6-02 Design Assumptions for Joint Use Poles.

For span lengths $<50 \mathrm{~m}$, the minimum attachment height is:

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\begin{aligned}
\mathrm{V} & =5490 \mathrm{~mm} \text { Minimum for roads other than highways } \\
& =6710 \mathrm{~mm} \text { Minimum for highways } \\
& =8230 \mathrm{~mm} \text { Minimum for railways }
\end{aligned}
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For span lengths $\geq 50 \mathrm{~m}$, the minimum attachment height must be calculated using ES43 B1-03, and maximum final sag of TELUS cables per ES55 E6-02 and JUB \#029, or the table below can be used for easy reference of the minimum ground clearance for the corresponding span lengths.

| Location of Wires <br> or Conductors | Minimum TELUS Attachment Height at the Pole Above Ground (V mm) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  | Sp to <br> 40 m |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 50 m | 60 m | 70 m | 80 m | 90 m | 100 m | 110 m |
|  | 5490 | 5750 | 5910 | 6300 | 6230 | 6590 | 6970 | 7370 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Highways | 6710 | 6830 | 6990 | 7380 | 7310 | 7670 | 8050 | 8450 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Railways | 8230 | 8930 | 9090 | 9480 | 9410 | 9770 | 10150 | 10550 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

3. Minimum attachment heights are measured at the pole from the horizontal line of sight point to the road peak or top of rail.
4. For BC Hydro third party communication licensee position on the pole, refer to ES43 C1-01.04 and C2-04.
5. The clearances calculated in the table above for Roads use a vehicle height of 4.15 m as per note 2 of ES43 B1-03. Add the amount by which the vehicle heights are known to exceed 4.15 m .
6. The clearances calculated in the table above for Highways accommodate a vehicle size of 4.88 m . Add the amount by which vehicle heights are known to exceed 4.88 m .


## Notes

1. For spans up to 75 m , the 75 mm minimum separation to the line of sight applies to neutral and secondary conductors.
2. For spans over 75 m , the neutral may sag below the line of sight, but not closer than 300 mm to the communications wire under the maximum final design sags.

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## Notes

1. Typical wire separations for neutral conductor to TELUS (A), secondary conductor to TELUS (B), and secondary conductor (C) are provided Table 1: (with no third party communications licensee).

| Span Length (L) <br> $(\mathrm{m})$ | Dimensions for Vertical Separations Between BC Hydro <br> Conductors and Highest TELUS Cable |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | A <br> $(\mathrm{mm})$ | B <br> $(\mathrm{mm})$ | C <br> $(\mathrm{mm})$ |
| Minimum L<50 | $1430(1830)$ | $1030(1430)$ | 200 |
| Typical L<50 | 1830 | 1430 | 200 |
| $50 \leq \mathrm{L} \leq 60$ | 1830 | 1430 | 200 |
| $60<\mathrm{L} \leq 75$ | 2160 | 2000 | 250 |
| $60<\mathrm{L} \leq 75$ | 1830 | N/A | N/A |
| $75<\mathrm{L} \leq 100$ | 2340 | N/A | N/A |
| $100<\mathrm{L} \leq 110$ | 2740 | N/A | N/A |

N/A - not applicable. With reference to the table above, N/A means that there is no open wire secondary conductor.
2. Highest TELUS wire is located 200 mm (8") below the top of the TELUS space.
3. Minimum dimension of 1430 mm is only to be used where typical clearances cannot be used. Typical clearances are the preferred dimensions for both BC Hydro and TELUS.
4. If 266.8 ASC WP is to be used for span lengths greater than or equal to 50 m , a greater separation will be required. For span length $50 \mathrm{~m} \leq \mathrm{L} \leq 60 \mathrm{~m}, \mathrm{~A}=1970 \mathrm{~mm}, \mathrm{~B}=1570 \mathrm{~mm}, \mathrm{C}=200 \mathrm{~mm}$. For span lengths $>60 \mathrm{~m}$, the dimensions will need to be calculated.
5. For span lengths $60 \mathrm{~m}<\mathrm{L} \leq 75 \mathrm{~m}$, there are two rows in the table below; one row includes open wire secondary, and the second row excludes open wire secondary that can be used for existing poles and pole replacements, or situations where it is unlikely open wire secondary will be required.
6. Secondary open wire conductor can only be installed up to 75 m span lengths.
7. For span lengths greater than 75 m to 110 m , the dimensions are calculated using a \#2 ACSR and $1 / 0$ ACSR neutral. If there is a different neutral conductor used, the vertical separation and mid-span clearance will need to be re-calculated.

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[^0]8. For provisions of BC Hydro third party communications licensee, see ES43 C2-04.
9. Documentation on the Pole Plan of the required vertical separation (Dimension $A$ ) is required to communicate this critical dimension to TELUS construction resources.


## Notes

1. Highest TELUS wire is located $200 \mathrm{~mm}(8 ")$ below the top of TELUS space.
2. Highest TELUS wire is located $400 \mathrm{~mm}(16 ")$ below third party communications wire.
3. Typical wire separations for neutral conductor to TELUS (A), secondary conductor to TELUS (B), secondary conductor to third party licensee (D), and secondary conductor (C) are provided in the following tables.

| Span Length (L) <br> $(\mathrm{m})$ | Dimensions for Vertical Separations Between BC Hydro Conduc- <br> tors and Telecommunication Cables |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | A <br> $(\mathrm{mm})$ | B <br> $(\mathrm{mm})$ | C <br> $(\mathrm{mm})$ | D <br> $(\mathrm{mm})$ |
|  | 1830 | 1430 | 200 | 1000 |
| $50 \leq \mathrm{L} \leq 60$ | 2260 | 1860 | 200 | 1430 |
| $60<\mathrm{L} \leq 75$ | 2560 | 2060 | 250 | 1660 |
| $60<\mathrm{L} \leq 75$ | 2260 | N/A | N/A | 1860 |
| $75<\mathrm{L} \leq 100$ | 2740 | N/A | N/A | 2340 |
| $100<\mathrm{L} \leq 110$ | 3140 | N/A | N/A | 2740 |

N/A - not applicable. With reference to the table above, N/A means that there is no open wire secondary conductor. When open wire secondary is not present, dimension $D$ is referenced from the neutral.
4. If 266.8 ASC WP is to be used for span lengths greater than or equal to 50 m , a greater separation will be required. For span length $50 \mathrm{~m} \leq \mathrm{L} \leq 60 \mathrm{~m}, \mathrm{~A}=2370 \mathrm{~mm}, \mathrm{~B}=1970 \mathrm{~mm}, \mathrm{C}=200 \mathrm{~mm}$, $D=1570 \mathrm{~mm}$. For span lengths $>60 \mathrm{~m}$, the dimensions will need to be calculated.
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6. For span lengths greater than 75 m to 110 m , the dimensions are calculated using a \#2 ACSR and $1 / 0$ ACSR neutral. If there is a different neutral conductor used, the vertical separation and mid-span clearance will need to be re-calculated.

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