

TABLE 4D1A Single core pvc insulated cables, non-armoured with or without sheath (Copper Conductors). BS6004, BS6231, BS6346.

CURRENT-CARRYING CAPACITY (amperes):

Ambient temperature : 30°C
Conductor operating temperature: 70°C

Conductor cross-sectional area	Reference Method 4 (enclosed in conduit in thermally insulating wall etc.)		Reference Method 3 (enclosed in conduit on a wall or in trunking etc.)		Reference Method 1 (clipped direct)		Reference Method 11 (on a perforated cable tray horizontal or vertical)		Reference Method 12 (free air)		
	2 cables single phase a.c. or d.c.	3 or 4 cables three phase a.c.	2 cables single phase a.c. or d.c.	3 or 4 cables three phase a.c.	2 cables single phase a.c. or d.c. flat and touching	3 or 4 cables three phase a.c. flat and touching or trefoil	2 cables single phase a.c. or d.c. flat and touching	3 or 4 cables three phase a.c. flat and touching or trefoil	Horizontal flat spaced	Vertical flat spaced	Trefoil
	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
(mm ²)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)
1	11	10.5	13.5	12	15.5	14	-	-	-	-	-
1.5	14.5	13.5	17.5	15.5	20	18	-	-	-	-	-
2.5	20	18	24	21	27	25	-	-	-	-	-
4	26	24	32	28	37	33	-	-	-	-	-
6	34	31	41	36	47	43	-	-	-	-	-
10	46	42	57	50	65	59	-	-	-	-	-
16	61	56	76	68	87	79	-	-	-	-	-
25	80	73	101	89	114	104	126	112	146	130	110
35	99	89	125	110	141	129	156	141	181	162	137
50	119	108	151	134	182	167	191	172	219	197	167
70	151	136	192	171	234	214	246	223	281	254	216
95	182	164	232	207	284	261	300	273	341	311	264
120	210	188	269	239	330	303	349	318	396	362	308
150	240	216	300	262	381	349	404	369	456	419	356
185	273	245	341	296	436	400	463	424	521	480	409
240	320	286	400	346	515	472	549	504	615	569	485
300	367	328	458	394	594	545	635	584	709	659	561
400	-	-	546	467	694	634	732	679	852	795	656
500	-	-	626	533	792	723	835	778	982	920	749
630	-	-	720	611	904	826	953	892	1138	1070	855
800	-	-	-	-	1030	943	1086	1020	1265	1188	971
1000	-	-	-	-	1154	1058	1216	1149	1420	1337	1079

NOTES:

- Where the conductor is to be protected by a semi-enclosed fuse to BS3036, see item 6.2 of the preface to this appendix within the 16th edition regs.
- The current-carrying capacities in columns 2 to 5 are also applicable to flexible cables to BS6004 table 1(c) and to 90°C heat resisting pvc cables to BS6231 tables 8 and 9 where the cables are used in fixed installations.

VOLTAGE DROP (per ampere per metre)

TABLE 4D1B

Conductor operating temperature: 70°C

Conductor cross-sectional area	2 cables d.c.	2 cables, single phase a.c.									3 or 4 cables, three-phase a.c.													
		Reference Methods 3&4 (enclosed in conduit etc, in or on a wall).			Reference Methods 1 & 11 (clipped direct or on trays, touching)			Reference Method 12 (spaced*)			Reference Methods 3&4 (enclosed in conduit etc, in or on a wall).			Reference Methods 1, 11 & 12 (in trefoil)			Reference Methods 1 & 11 (flat and touching)			Reference Method 12 (flat spaced *)				
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	
(mm ²)	(mV/A/m)	(mV/A/m)			(mV/A/m)			(mV/A/m)			(mV/A/m)			(mV/A/m)			(mV/A/m)			(mV/A/m)				
1	44	44			44			44			38			38			38			38				
1.5	29	29			29			29			25			25			25			25				
2.5	18	18			18			18			15			15			15			15				
4	11	11			11			11			9.5			9.5			9.5			9.5				
6	7.3	7.3			7.3			7.3			6.4			6.4			6.4			6.4				
10	4.4	4.4			4.4			4.4			3.8			3.8			3.8			3.8				
16	2.8	2.8			2.8			2.8			2.4			2.4			2.4			2.4				
25	1.75	1.80	0.33	1.80	1.75	0.20	1.75	1.75	0.29	1.80	1.50	0.29	1.55	1.50	0.175	1.50	1.50	0.25	1.55	1.50	0.32	1.55	0.32	1.55
35	1.25	1.30	0.31	1.30	1.25	0.195	1.25	1.25	0.28	1.30	1.10	0.27	1.10	1.10	0.170	1.10	1.10	0.24	1.10	1.10	0.32	1.10	0.32	1.15
50	0.93	0.95	0.30	1.00	0.93	0.190	0.95	0.93	0.28	0.97	0.81	0.26	0.85	0.80	0.165	0.82	0.80	0.24	0.84	0.80	0.32	0.86	0.32	0.86
70	0.63	0.65	0.29	0.72	0.63	0.185	0.66	0.63	0.27	0.69	0.56	0.25	0.61	0.55	0.160	0.57	0.55	0.24	0.60	0.55	0.31	0.63	0.31	0.63
95	0.46	0.49	0.28	0.56	0.47	0.180	0.50	0.47	0.27	0.54	0.42	0.24	0.48	0.41	0.155	0.43	0.41	0.23	0.47	0.40	0.31	0.51	0.31	0.51
120	0.36	0.39	0.27	0.47	0.37	0.175	0.41	0.37	0.26	0.45	0.33	0.23	0.41	0.32	0.150	0.36	0.32	0.23	0.40	0.32	0.30	0.40	0.30	0.44
150	0.29	0.31	0.27	0.41	0.30	0.175	0.34	0.29	0.26	0.39	0.27	0.23	0.36	0.26	0.150	0.30	0.26	0.23	0.34	0.26	0.30	0.40	0.30	0.40
185	0.23	0.25	0.27	0.37	0.24	0.170	0.29	0.24	0.26	0.35	0.22	0.23	0.32	0.21	0.145	0.26	0.21	0.22	0.31	0.21	0.30	0.36	0.30	0.36
240	0.180	0.195	0.26	0.33	0.185	0.165	0.25	0.185	0.25	0.31	0.17	0.23	0.29	0.160	0.145	0.22	0.160	0.22	0.27	0.160	0.29	0.34	0.29	0.34
300	0.145	0.160	0.26	0.33	0.150	0.165	0.22	0.150	0.25	0.29	0.14	0.23	0.27	0.130	0.140	0.190	0.130	0.22	0.25	0.130	0.29	0.32	0.29	0.32
400	0.105	0.130	0.26	0.29	0.120	0.160	0.20	0.115	0.25	0.27	0.12	0.22	0.25	0.105	0.140	0.175	0.105	0.21	0.24	0.100	0.29	0.31	0.29	0.31
500	0.086	0.110	0.26	0.28	0.098	0.155	0.185	0.093	0.24	0.26	0.10	0.22	0.25	0.086	0.135	0.160	0.086	0.21	0.23	0.081	0.29	0.30	0.29	0.30
630	0.068	0.094	0.25	0.27	0.081	0.155	0.175	0.076	0.24	0.25	0.08	0.22	0.24	0.072	0.135	0.150	0.072	0.21	0.22	0.066	0.28	0.29	0.28	0.29
800	0.053	-	-	-	0.068	0.150	0.165	0.061	0.24	0.25	-	-	-	0.060	0.130	0.145	0.060	0.21	0.22	0.053	0.28	0.29	0.28	0.29
1000	0.042	-	-	-	0.059	0.150	0.160	0.050	0.24	0.24	-	-	-	0.052	0.130	0.140	0.052	0.20	0.21	0.044	0.28	0.28	0.28	0.28

NOTE: * Spacings larger than those specified in Method 12 (see table 4A 16th edition regs) will result in larger volt drop.

Tables 4D1A & 4D1B are extracted from IEE Regs, 16th Edition which must be used in order to correctly apply these tables. A copy may be obtained from: Institution of Electrical Engineers, PO Box 96, Stevenage, Hertfordshire, ENGLAND, SG1 2SD.