Third Party Verification

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What is Third Party Verification?

Third party verifications are an independent 'tick in the box', verifying either a product or a set of products' compliance with a particular standard. Excel has invested in such test and verification programmes for over 20 years, working closely with laboratories such as Force Technology and 3P based in Denmark, and ETL in America.

What's the difference between Component and Channel verification?

Excel Category 6 and Category 6_A systems are amongst a handful in the industry with both channel and component verification.

In both cases, products are provided to the laboratory for testing to ISO, EN & TIA cabling standards. Within these standards documents are performance requirements for both a channel, as found in most cabling installations, and for the components, which make up these channels.

So, for example, a manufacturer can provide the lab with a number of individual components – cable, keystone, patch panel, patch cord - and request that these be tested in isolation against the requirements of the standard. This is component level certification.

Excel has decided to go a step further by enrolling in Force Technology's EC VERIFIED program, which includes Factory Inspections and production line sampling.

Alternatively, the manufacturer may provide a set of these components terminated in their factory to a 4 connector channel model as typically found in the field. A review of the market will show that a reasonable number of cabling system manufacturers can provide channel compliance certificates. Channel compliance is an easier certificate to gain, as manufacturers can 'tweak' the performance of certain components to compensate for poorer performance elsewhere in the channel. For example, a cable could be designed to perform well above the standard to compensate for a keystone jack that does not meet, or marginally meets the required specification.

With component certification under EC VERIFIED, there is no hiding place. Each product is tested to meet the standard and this really is the ultimate performance test for a manufacturer looking to promote third party verification as a key feature of its systems' performance and quality standards.



Who is Force Technology?

EC VERIFIED from Force Technology is the ultimate independent mark of global approval for cables and connecting hardware. It guarantees that the products approved by Force Technology as an independent third party testing laboratory have been tested to all international relevant standards in the most exacting way, under rigorous control, and with regular inspection of the manufacturer's production quality. Some of Europe's most experienced engineers and technicians work on the products in some of the best equipped modern laboratories, with an annual turnover in excess of €170m. It stands for undisputed world-wide quality assurance.

Who is ET



The ETL Verified Mark from Intertek helps manufacturers differentiate their products and brands in competitive markets. Product differentiation is an ongoing issue all manufacturers struggle with. Intertek's ETL Verified Mark is a symbol of performance integrity of the products that bear the mark.

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3P Third Party Testing is an independent testing laboratory serving the international cabling and electronic industries. Their main product is certification testing of components for communication cabling, i.e. cables, connecting hardware, patch cords, and permanent links and channels. Other core activities are CPR fire and safety testing of cables, and quality evaluation and failure analysis of printed wiring boards and electromechanical components.

Excel Third Party Verification

Standards compliance and system performance ar core to the Excel brand values. To support this, Excel works closely with third party test laboratories such as Force Technology, ETL and 3P.

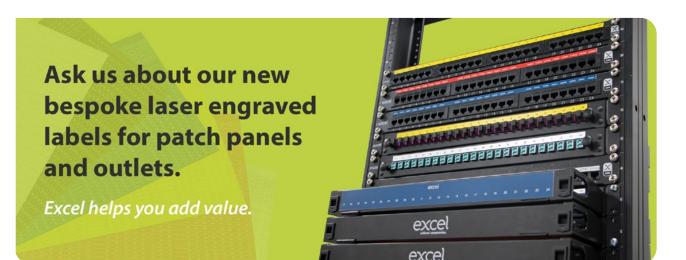
Please note that the majority of certificates are issued annually; our website is continually updated on a regular basis to ensure the most recent certificates are available directly from Excel. The only organisation that is different is ETL, who issue one certificate and continued validity is based upon inclusion in their Cabling Product Directory.

Certificates are currently available for the following categories:

Category 7 _A	Category 6 _A	Category 6	Category 5e	Class E/EA
Cables	Cables	Cables	Cables	Channel
	Patch cords	Patch cords	Patch cords	Permanent link
	Connecting hardware	Connecting hardware	Connecting hardware	
		Channel connectors		

Click on the links above to view the latest certificates. Certificates are also shown against each product on the Excel Online Catalogue - click on the downloads tab to see the **latest certificates**.

Click here to view our Third Party Certificates



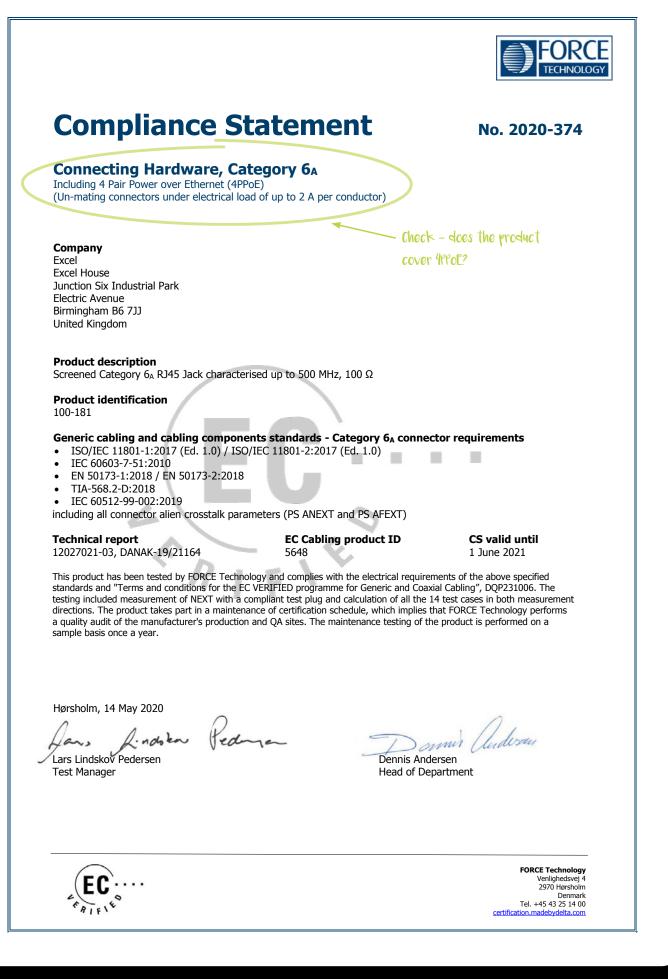




Compliance Statement No. 2020-298 Data communication cable, Category 6_A Company Check - is the certificate issued Excel in the name of the system you Excel House Junction Six Industrial Park are purchasing? Electric Avenue Birmingham, B6 7JJ United Kingdom Product description Screened cable (F/FTP) characterised up to 500 MHz Horizontal floor wiring cable, 100 Ω 4 and 2x4 individually foil screen twisted pairs with overall foil screen Flame retardant, halogen free Check - is the Part Code showing the product you are purchasing? Product identification 100-196 Excel Category 6A F/FTP "S" Foil Cable LS0H 100-197 Excel Dual Category 6A F/FTP "S" Foil Cable LSOH Generic cabling and cabling components standards - Category 6_A cable requirements ISO/IEC 11801-1:2017 (Ed. 1.0) / ISO/IEC 11801-2:2017 (Ed. 1.0) IEC 61156-5:2012 (Ed. 2.1) Check - has the product been EN 50173-1:2018 / EN 50173-2:2018 EN 50288-10-1:2012 tested to the current & relevant TIA-568.2-D:2018 standards? Standards for flammability, halogen acidity, and smoke performance IEC 60332-1-1:2015 (Ed. 1.1) / IEC 60332-1-2:2015 (Ed. 1.1) ٠ Check - is certificate valid? IEC 60754-2:2011 (Ed. 2.0) IEC 61034-1:2013 (Ed. 3.1) / IEC 61034-2:2013 (Ed. 3.1) Technical report EC Cabling product ID CS valid until 120-25574-03, DANAK-19/21075 5509, 5532 1 May 2021 This product has been tested by FORCE Technology and complies with the requirements of the above specified standards and "Terms and conditions for the EC VERIFIED programme for Generic and Coaxial Cabling", DQP231006. The product takes part in a maintenance schedule, which implies that FORCE Technology performs a quality audit of the manufacturer's production and QA sites. The maintenance testing of the product is performed on a sample basis. Check - Regular maintenance schedules ensure ongoing Third Party Check Ups Hørsholm, 6 April 2020 Lindoka Pedina Lars Lindskov Pedersen **Dennis Andersen** Test Manager Head of Department

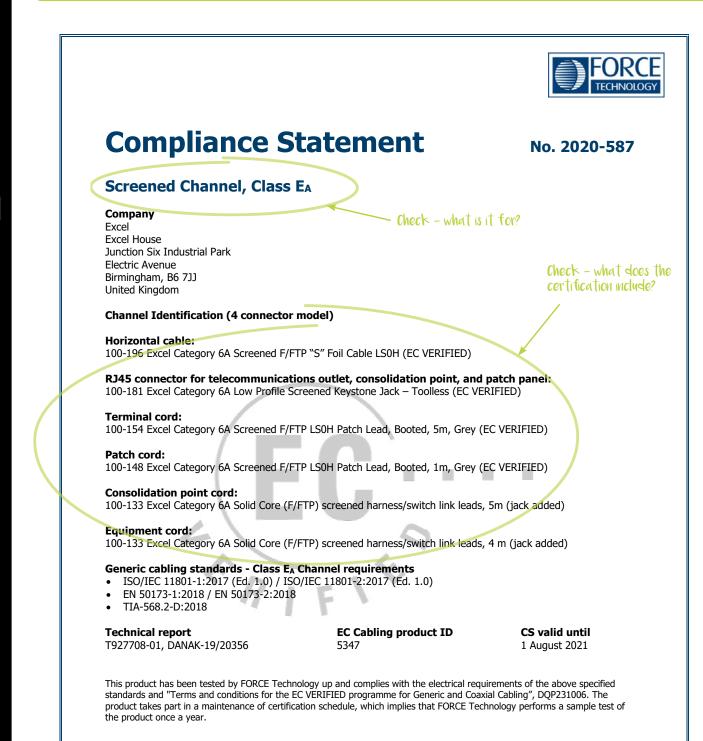
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