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1 Introduction

This specification sets out the requirements for insulating gloves purchased by Electricity North West Limited, hereinafter referred to as Electricity North West.

2 Scope

The following types of insulating gloves, together with the appropriate protective over gloves, are covered by this specification:

- (a) 1 000V (RMS) grade Wrist and Gauntlet type, sizes 8, 8½, 9, 9½, 10, 10½, 11
- (b) 11 000V (RMS) grade Wrist and Gauntlet type, sizes 8, 8½, 9, 9½, 10, 10½, 11

3 Definitions

Approval	Sanction by the Electricity North West Plant Policy Manager that specified criteria have been satisfied
Contract	The agreement between Electricity North West and the Contractor for the execution of the Works including therein all documents to which reference may properly be made in order to ascertain the rights and obligations of the parties under the said agreement.
Contractor	The person or person's firm or company, including personal representatives, successors and permitted assigns, who's Tender has been accepted by Electricity North West.
Specification	The Specifications and schedules (if any) agreed by the parties for the purpose of the Contract.
Supplier	Any person or person's firm or company who supplies goods to Electricity North West or to its Contractor.
Tender	An offer in writing to execute work or supply goods at a fixed price.
Tenderer	The person or person's firm or company, including personal representatives, successors and permitted assigns, invited by Electricity North West to submit a Tender.

4 General Requirements for Approvals and Testing

4.1 Product not to be Changed

No change in the product, packaging or labelling shall be made after Approval has been granted without prior notice to the Engineer, and receipt of a written agreement to the proposed change from the Engineer Manager.

4.2 Electricity North West Technical Approval

The Tenderer shall submit, with this Tender, proposals for testing which will demonstrate, to the satisfaction of the Engineer, compliance with this Specification. Such tests shall be carried out without expense to Electricity North West.

Alternatively, technical reports and other data may be submitted that the Tenderer considers will demonstrate, to the satisfaction of the Engineer, compliance with this Specification. Acceptance of this evidence shall be at the discretion of the Engineer but will not be unreasonably withheld.

Approval shall be 'factory specific' and is not transferable to another factory without the written Approval of the Engineer.

The Supplier and product shall comply with all the relevant requirements of Electricity North West document CP311.

4.3 Quality Assurance

The Tenderer shall confirm whether or not Approval is held in accordance with a quality assurance scheme accredited under ISO 9000. If not, the Tenderer shall submit a statement of the quality assurance procedures employed to control the quality of the product, including the performance of Suppliers and Sub-Contractors.

The right is reserved for the repeat of such tests, from time to time, that the Engineer may deem to be reasonably necessary to demonstrate continued compliance with the Specification.

The Tenderer shall submit, with the Tender, a list of tests and inspections which are carried out on the product prior to despatch which shall demonstrate, to the satisfaction of the Engineer, fitness for installation and service.

The Tenderer shall provide free of charge to Electricity North West such samples as may, in the opinion of the Engineer, be reasonably required for inspection and/or retention as quality control samples. The Engineer will confirm the requirement for samples at the time of Tendering.

The right is reserved for inspections to be made of Tenderer's facilities, from time to time, as deemed reasonably necessary by the Engineer to ensure compliance with this Specification and any Contract of which it forms a part.

The Tenderer shall submit, with the Tender, such details of product packaging disposal, as will enable Electricity North West to comply with the requirements of BS EN ISO 14001 - Environmental Management Systems.

4.4 Formulation

The Tenderer shall submit, with the Tender, such details of the formulation and use of the product and associated substances as will enable Electricity North West to comply with the obligations of the Health and Safety at Work Act 1974 and the Control of Substances Hazardous to Health Regulations 2002, in the use, storage and disposal of the product. The Tenderer may stipulate, prior to submission of such information, that it is to remain confidential, and the Engineer will, if requested, confirm agreement to this prior to receipt of the information.

4.5 Identification Markings

The Tenderer shall submit, with the Tender, details of markings which it is proposed to apply to the product or packaging to identify manufacturing batches or items. The forms and content of such markings shall be subject to the Approval of the Engineer and shall in all cases include the Electricity North West approved description and commodity code number.

The Tenderer shall submit, with the Tender, such details of marking gross weight on components, assemblies and packages, as will enable Electricity North West to comply with the Health and Safety Manual Handling Operation Regulations 1992, for components, assemblies and packages supplied with a gross weight over 1kg. The forms and content of such markings shall be subject to the Approval of the Engineer.

4.6 Minimum Life Expectancy

The minimum life expectancy of all products covered by this Specification is 5 years.

4.7 Manufacturers Already Approved

Clauses 4.2.1, 4.2.2, 4.3.1, 4.3.3, 4.3.4, 4.4 and 4.5 will be waived in the case of products already approved.

4.8 Product Conformity

Preference will be given to those Suppliers who can provide suitable product conformity certification to a recognised or specified standard, or an equivalent certification.

4.9 Confirmation of Conformance

The Tenderer shall complete the conformance declaration sheets in [Appendix A](#). Failure to complete these declaration sheets may result in an unacceptable bid.

5 Requirements for Type and Routine Testing

The Specifier shall set out the requirement of the following tests to be carried out by the Supplier at the Supplier's cost.

5.1 Requirement for Type Tests at Suppliers Premises

These are a series of one-off type tests, which are carried out to ensure the satisfactory performance of the product design, under extremes of operating stresses, and of endurance, as may be appropriate, to be determined by the Specifier.

These may or may not be destructive tests.

5.2 Requirement for Routine Tests at the Supplier's Premises

These tests may be required to be carried out on every individual unit or component, as specified, or at some regular frequency to be determined by the Specifier.

The results of these tests may be required to be supplied to Electricity North West with each unit purchased or retained for inspection, at a period to be determined by the Specifier.

6 Technical and Performance Requirements

6.1 Compliance with Specification

Insulating gloves shall be made of materials, which fully comply with the design, construction and test requirements of BS EN 60903: 2003 Live working. Gloves of insulating material.

Colour coding in accordance with the specification is required, as follows:

1 000 V Red inner/yellow outer or single yellow

11 000 V Yellow inner/black outer

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Only gloves manufactured and approved to BS EN 60903:2003 will be accepted and approval shall be indicated by CE mark or by witnessed successful completion of test requirements, the witness being a nominated ESI representative.

6.2 Marking

Gloves shall be marked in accordance with BS EN 60903:2003. In addition, the 11kV grade gloves shall be marked 'SWITCHING GLOVES, DO NOT USE AFTER XX/XX/XX' where XX/XX/XX is the date 12 months after the date of manufacture or after the date of last successful test/inspection.

6.3 Recent Manufacture/Test

Gloves shall not have a month of manufacture, or month of test/inspection, earlier than 2 months before the month of delivery. For example, gloves delivered in March shall not have been manufactured before January of the same year. Gloves failing to meet this requirement will not be accepted.

6.4 Outer Containers

Outer containers shall be available for each type of glove and gauntlet so that when required the gloves or gauntlets can be ordered with outer containers. The containers shall be constructed of PVC, nylon, leather or canvas.

7 Documents Referenced

DOCUMENTS REFERENCED	
Health and Safety at Work Act 1974	
Control of Substances Hazardous to Health Regulations 2002	
Manual Handling Operations Regulations 1992	
BS EN ISO 9000	Quality management systems
BS EN ISO 14001	Environmental management systems. Requirements with guidance for use
BS EN 60903	Live working. Gloves of insulating material
CP311	Equipment Approval Policy and Process

8 Keywords

Gloves; Rubber; Live Line; Safety.

Appendix A – Conformance Declaration

SECTION-BY-SECTION CONFORMANCE WITH SPECIFICATION

The Tenderer shall declare conformance or otherwise for each product/service or range of products/services, section-by-section, using the following Conformance Declaration Codes.

Conformance Declaration Codes:

N/A =	Clause is not applicable/appropriate to the product/service.
C1 =	The product/service conforms fully with the requirements of this clause.
C2 =	The product/service conforms partially with the requirements of this clause.
C3 =	The product/service does not conform to the requirements of this clause.
C4 =	The product/service does not currently conform to the requirements of this clause, but the manufacturer proposes to modify and test the product in order to conform.

Manufacturer:

Product/Service Description:

Product/Service Reference:

Name:

Company:

Signature:

SECTION-BY-SECTION CONFORMANCE

Section	Section Topic	Conformance Declaration Code	Remarks * (must be completed if code is not C1)
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* Applicable specifications shall be stated in the Remarks column where alternatives are quoted within a section. The Remarks column shall also be used to indicate cases where the products or services exceed the quoted specifications.