

Colour Code

Chart 14

VDE Colour Code for Power Cables

No. of cores	Harmonised Cables with Green/Yellow Earth	Not Harmonised without Green/Yellow Earth	Concentric Conductor Cables
2	-	BN+BU	-
3	G/Y – BN+BU	BK – BN – BU	-
4	G/Y – BK+BU – BN	BK – BN – BU – BK	-
5	G/Y – BK+BU – BN – BK	BK – BN – BU – BK – BK	-
6 onwards	G/Y on outer layer numbered in white on black cores. No. 1 inside layer	Numbered in white on black cores. No. 1 inside layer	-
2	-	BN+BU	BK – BU
3	G/Y – BK – BU	BK – BN – BU	BK – BU – BN
4	G/Y – BK – BU – BN	BK – BN – BU – BK	BK – BU – BN – BK
5	G/Y – BK – BU – BN – BK	BK – BN – BU – BK – BK	-
6 onwards	G/Y on outer layer numbered in white on black cores. No. 1 inside layer	Numbered in white on black cores. No. 1 inside layer	Numbered in white on black cores. No. 1 inside layer

Colour abbreviations:

G/Y = Green/Yellow

BN = Brown

BU = Blue

BK = Black