

What is the difference between Grade K and Grade FH?

Both grades, **K and FH**, belong to the group of Flame Retardant compounds and fulfil the requirements according to ISO 340 with covers and antistatic according to ISO 284.

Grade K is referred to in several standards. The table below gives an overview of the minimum requirements according to each standard.

APPLICATIONS



Underground mining Hard rock mining



Cement industry



Steel industry



Grain and sugar industries Mineral processing plants



Overland conveyors
Paper and wood industries
Port operations
Power and heating plants
Recycling industry
Tunnelling

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- Ripstop
- Translev
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	Standard	Standard Description	Tensile Strength [MPa]	Elongation at Break [%]	Abrasion (non- rotating) [mm3]
1	DIN22131 [withdrawn]	Steelcord conveyor belts for hoisting and conveying	20	400	200
2	ISO15236 [replaces DIN22131]	Steel cord conveyor belts	15	350	200
3	ISO22721	Conveyor belts; Specification for rubber- or plastics- covered conveyor belts of textile construction for underground mining	20	400	200

Sempertrans identified a market demand for flame retardant compounds, such as grade K, with improved mechanical properties during the last decades. This demand mainly comes from hard rock applications, where the impact, cut & gouge, and abrasion resistance of a K-grade compound was insufficient.

Subsequently, Sempertrans developed its FH-grade to fill this niche and provide an almost DIN-X (or AS-M) grade similar compound with flame retardant properties.

The table below shows the minimum mechanical properties of Sempertrans FH-grade, also fulfilling the requirements according to ISO 340 with covers and antistatic according to ISO 284.

	Grade	Tensile Strength [MPa]	Elongation at Break [%]	Abrasion (non- rotating) [mm3]
1	FH	20	500	100

Both grades fulfill the requirements of ISO 340 for covers and ISO 284 for antistatic properties. However, Grade FH provides an almost DIN-X (or AS-M) grade similar compound with improved mechanical properties compared to Grade K.