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**SPECIFICATION FOR  
CABLE GRIP (*COME  
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BARE ACSR, AAAC &  
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CONDUCTORS-For use  
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Teams**

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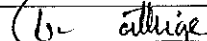
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## FOREWORD

This specification has been prepared by the Research and Development Department in collaboration with Transmission Department both of The Kenya Power and Lighting Company Limited (KPLC) and it lays down requirements for cable Grip (come along Clamp) for Bare AAC, ACSR, AAAC & Copper Conductors. It is intended for use by KPLC in purchasing the Cable Grips.

The supplier shall submit information which confirms satisfactory service experience with products which fall within the scope of this specification.

## 1. SCOPE

1.1 This specification is for portable hand held grooved clamps for gripping bare ACSR and copper conductors of the following diameter ranges

- 1.1.1 3-15mm
- 1.1.2 7.5-20mm
- 1.1.3 15-35mm

1.2 The equipment shall be used for gripping while tensioning bare & insulated AAC conductors, ACSR, AAAC and copper conductors

1.3 The grip has to be firm and non-slip and should not cause any damage to material being pulled.

## 2. REFERENCES

The following standards contain provisions which, through reference in this text constitute provisions of this specification. Unless otherwise stated, the latest editions (including amendments) apply.

ISO 2766- Single Lifting Hooks with Shanks-capacity up to 25tonnes-Grades M,P,S, (T,V)- Hammer & Dropped Forged Hooks.

BS EN 3243-Specification for Hand- Operated Chain Blocks.

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BS EN 1677-5 - Components for Slings.Safety. Forged Steel lifting Hooks with Latch.

**3. TERMS AND DEFINITIONS**

N/A

**4. REQUIREMENTS**

**4.1 Construction**

4.1.1 The clamp shall be special spring loaded to prevent the grip from falling off the conductor and should allow instant release without jamming when the tension is removed .

4.1.2 The jaws of the grip shall be V grooved for maximum contact area without damage and shall have mechanism for holding it open for easy placement of conductor.

4.1.3 The construction material shall be drop forged quality steel, machined and heat treated. The equipment shall be weather proof.

**4.2 Operation.**

4.2.1 The grip shall when opened remain in open position for easy placement on conductor

4.2.2 The grip shall close as tension is applied and hold conductor firmly.

4.2.3 The spring load shall allow for easy removal upon removal of tension without jamming.

**4.4 TECHNICAL AND SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS**

**4.4.1 Specific requirements:**

4.4.1.1 The same jaws shall be able to grip steel guy wires and extra high strength conductors within its diameter range.

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4.4.1.2 The pulling force and maximum grip diameter shall be specified.

**4.4.2 Technical Specifications.**

**a) 3-15mm**

Item No.	Technical Description	KPLC Technical Requirements
1	Material of clamp	Drop forged heat treated steel
2	Clamp jaws	Double Round
3	Safe working load	2000 kgs
4	Breaking load	12000 kgs
5	Maximum tensile strength	1770N/mm <sup>2</sup>
6	Grip range	3-15mm
7	Weight	< 7kgs
8	Finishing	Corrosion resistance coating
9	Warranty on Equipment	At least 12 months
10	International standards	IEC ,ISO & BS Standards
11	Test certificate/ Test Report	Required
12	Operation and maintenance manual	Shall be in English language

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**b) ACSR, AAC, Copper 7.5- 20mm**

Item No.	Technical description	KPLC Technical Requirements
1	Material of clamp	Drop forged heat treated steel
2	Clamp jaws	Double Round
3	Safe working load	2000 kgs
4	Breaking load	12000kg
5	Maximum tensile strength	1960N/mm <sup>2</sup>
6	Grip range	7.5-20mm
7	Weight	< 10 kgs
8	Finishing	Corrosion resistance coating
9	Warranty on Equipment	At least 12 months
10	International standards	IEC ,ISO & BS Standards
11	Test certificate/ Test Reports	Required
12	Operation and maintenance manual	Shall be in English language

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**c) ACSR, AAC, Copper 15-35mm**

Item No.	Technical description	KPLC Technical Requirements
1	Material of clamp	Drop forged heat treated steel
2	Clamp jaws	Double Round
3	Safe working load	2000 kgs
4	Breaking load	12000 kg
5	Maximum tensile strength	1960N/mm <sup>2</sup>
6	Grip range	15-35mm
7	Weight	< 15kgs
8	Finishing	Corrosion resistance coating
9	Warranty on Equipment	At least 12 months
10	International standards	IEC, ISO & BS Standards
11	Test certificate/ Test Report	Required
12	Operation manual	Shall be in English language

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## 5.0 TEST AND INSPECTION

- 5.1. The clamp shall be inspected and tested in accordance with the requirements of this specification and relevant IEC/ISO /BS Standards.
- 5.2 Copies of previous test reports for the cable grips shall be submitted with the tender for evaluation. The test reports must be from an ISO/IEC 17025 accredited laboratory.
- 5.3 Test report for the clamps manufactured for KPLC shall be submitted to KPLC for approval before shipment/delivery. The test reports shall include tensile strength and breaking load of the clamp.

## 6 MARKING,PACKING AND INSTRUCTIONS

- 6.1 The following information shall be marked indelibly and legibly on the cable grip (come along clamps)
- i) Manufacturer's Name or Trademark;
  - ii) Type reference
  - iii) Safe working load
  - iv) Serial number
  - v) Production batch and year of manufacture
  - vi) Letters "KPLC"
- 6.2 Instructions for use shall be submitted with the clamps during delivery ( all in English Language).
- 6.3 The clamps shall be packed in wooden crates and shall be protected from damage during transportation and storage.

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Tender No. ....

Clause number	Bidder's offer (indicate full details of the offered equipment for each requirement of the specification and indicate supporting document submitted).
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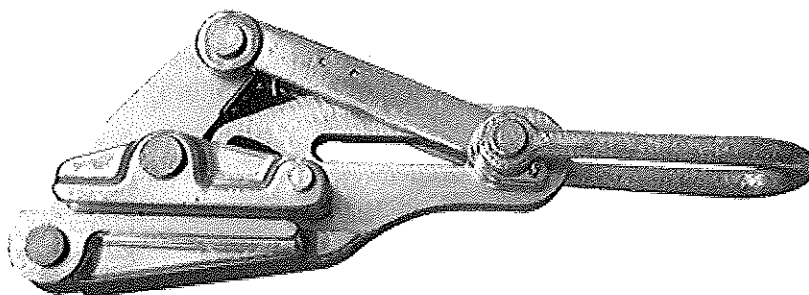
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**ANNEX B : TYPICAL IMAGE OF CABLE GRIP (*COME ALONG CLAMP*)**



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