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- Modification of title.
- Addition of performance requirements for dosemeters to measure $H'(3)$ for both photon and beta radiation.
- Adoption of the cylinder instead of the slab phantom for the quantity $H_p(3)$.
- Correction and clarification of several subclauses to obtain a better applicability.

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INTRODUCTION

A dosimetry system may consist of the following elements:

a) a passive device, referred to herein as a *detector*, which, after the exposure to radiation, stores a signal for use in measuring one or more quantities of the incident radiation field;

b) a “dosemeter”, that incorporates some means of identification and contains one or more detectors and may contain electronic components, e.g. for the readout (e.g., in a direct ion storage (DIS) dosemeter);

c) a “reader” which is used to readout the stored information (signal) from the detector, in order to determine the radiation dose;

d) a “computer” with appropriate “software” to control the reader, store the signals transmitted from the reader, calculate, display and store the evaluated dose in the form of an electronic file or paper copy;

e) “additional equipment” and documented procedures (instruction manual) for performing associated processes such as deleting stored dose information, cleaning dosemeters, or those needed to ensure the effectiveness of the whole system.

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1 Scope

This document applies to all kinds of passive dosimetry systems that are used for measuring:

– the personal dose equivalent $H_p(10)$ (for individual whole body ~~dosimetry~~ monitoring),

– the personal dose equivalent $H_p(3)$ (for individual eye lens ~~dosimetry~~ monitoring),

– the personal dose equivalent $H_p(0,07)$ (for both individual whole body skin and local skin for extremity ~~dosimetry~~ monitoring),

– the ambient dose equivalent $H^*(10)$ (for workplace and environmental ~~dosimetry~~ monitoring),

– the directional dose equivalent $H'(3)$ (for workplace and environmental monitoring), or

– the directional dose equivalent $H'(0,07)$ (for workplace and environmental ~~dosimetry~~ monitoring).

~~NOTE 1 The term "environmental dosimetry" means ambient, area, and environmental monitoring in this standard.~~

This document applies to dosimetry systems that measure external photon and/or beta radiation in the dose range between 0,01 mSv and 10 Sv and in the energy ranges given in Table 1. All the energy values are mean energies with respect to the ~~prevailing dose quantity~~ fluence. The dosimetry systems usually use electronic devices for the data evaluation and thus are often computer controlled.

Table 1 – Mandatory and maximum energy ranges covered by this document

Measuring quantity	Mandatory mean energy range for photon radiation	Maximum mean energy range for testing photon radiation	Mandatory mean energy range for beta-particle radiation[a]	Maximum mean energy range for testing beta-particle radiation[a]
$H_p(10)$, $H^*(10)$	80 keV to 1,25 MeV[b]	12 keV to ~~10~~ 7 MeV	–	–
$H_p(3)$, $H'(3)$	30 keV to 250 keV	8 keV to ~~10~~ 7 MeV	0,8 MeV[c] ~~almost equivalent to an E_{max} of 2,27 MeV~~	0,7 MeV~~[b]~~[c] to 1,2 MeV ~~almost equivalent to E_{max} from 2,27 MeV to 3,54 MeV~~
$H_p(0,07)$, $H'(0,07)$	30 keV to 250 keV	8 keV to ~~10 MeV~~ 1,25 MeV[b]	0,24 MeV to 0,8 MeV ~~almost equivalent to an E_{max} of 2,27 MeV~~	~~0,06 MeV[c] to 1,2 MeV almost equivalent to E_{max} from 0,225 MeV to 3,54 MeV~~ 0,07 MeV[d] to 1,2 MeV[e]

[a] The following beta radiation sources are suggested for the different mean energies: For 0,06 MeV: ^{147}Pm; for 0,8 MeV: ^{90}Sr/^{90}Y; for 1,2 MeV: ^{106}Ru/^{106}Rh.

[b] 1,25 MeV is the mean energy of photon radiation from ^{60}Co.

~~[b]~~[c] For beta-particle radiation, an energy of 0,7 MeV is required to reach the radiation sensitive layers of the eye lens in a depth of about 3 mm (approximately 3 mm of ICRU tissue).

~~[c]~~[d] For beta-particle radiation, an energy of 0,07 MeV is required to penetrate the dead layer of skin of 0,07 mm (approximately 0,07 mm of ICRU tissue).

[e] 0,07 MeV, 0,8 MeV and 1,2 MeV beta mean energy are almost equivalent to an E_{max} of 0,225 MeV, 2,27 MeV and 3,54 MeV, respectively.

NOTE 21 In this document, “dose” means dose equivalent, unless otherwise stated.

NOTE 32 For $H_p(10)$ and $H^*(10)$ no beta radiation is considered. Reasons:

a) $H_p(10)$ and $H^*(10)$ are a conservative estimate for the effective dose which is not a suitable quantity for beta radiation.

b) No conversion coefficients are available in ICRU 56, ICRU 57 or ISO 6980-3.

NOTE 43 The maximum energy ranges are the energy limits within which type tests according to this document are possible.

NOTE 4 Direct ion storage (DIS) dosemeters are covered in this document as they are often operated without an online display but a separate reader.

The test methods concerning the design (Clause 8), the instruction manual (Clause 9), the software (Clause 10), environmental influences (Clause 13), electromagnetic influences (Clause 14), mechanical influences (Clause 15), and the documentation (Clause 16) are independent of the type of radiation. Therefore, they can also be applied to other dosimetry systems, e.g. for neutrons, utilizing the corresponding type of radiation for testing.

This document is intended to be applied to dosimetry systems that are capable of evaluating doses in the required quantity and unit (Sv) from readout signals in any quantity and unit. The only correction that may be applied to the evaluated dose (indicated value) is the one resulting from natural background radiation using extra dosemeters.

NOTE 5 The correction due to natural background can be made before or after the dose calculation.

2 Normative references

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