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### HOUSEHOLD AND SIMILAR ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES – SAFETY –

#### Part 2-50: Particular requirements for commercial electric bains-marie

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IEC 60335-2-50 has been prepared by IEC technical committee 61: Safety of household and similar electrical appliances. It is an International Standard.

This fifth edition cancels and replaces the fourth edition published in 2002, Amendment 1: 2007 and Amendment 2:2017. This edition constitutes a technical revision.

This edition includes the following significant technical changes with respect to the previous edition:

- a) the text has been aligned with IEC 60335-1:2020;
- b) some notes have been converted to normative text, modified or deleted (Clause 1, 7.15, 10.1, 11.7, 16.2, 20.1, 20.101, 21.101, 22.101, 23.3, 27.2);
- c) clarifications to some test specifications have been made (7.102, 9.101, 11.4, 15.1.1, 15.2, 19.1, 20.1);
- d) introduction of requirements for appliances intended for use in areas open to the public, including external accessible surface temperatures (Clause 1, 7.12, 11.8, Table 102);
- e) clarification of applicable standard for appliances for use by laymen (Clause 1, 7.12);
- f) exclusion of battery-operated appliances;
- g) relocation of cleaning instructions from 7.12.1 to 7.12;
- h) relocation of 24.101 to 22.108;
- i) conciliation of the text of IEC 60335-2-50 with other standards under IEC/TC61/MT32.

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This Part 2 is to be used in conjunction with the latest edition of IEC 60335-1 and its amendments unless that edition precludes it; in that case, the latest edition that does not preclude it is used. It was established on the basis of the sixth edition (2020) of that standard.

NOTE 1 When "Part 1" is mentioned in this standard, it refers to IEC 60335-1.

This Part 2 supplements or modifies the corresponding clauses in IEC 60335-1, so as to convert that publication into the IEC standard: Particular requirements for commercial electric bain-marie.

When a particular subclause of Part 1 is not mentioned in this Part 2, that subclause applies as far as is reasonable. When this standard states "addition", "modification" or "replacement", the relevant text in Part 1 is to be adapted accordingly.

NOTE 2 The following numbering system is used:

- subclauses, tables and figures that are numbered starting from 101 are additional to those in Part 1;
- unless notes are in a new subclause or involve notes in Part 1, they are numbered starting from 101, including those in a replaced clause or subclause;
- additional annexes are lettered AA, BB, etc.

NOTE 3 The following print types are used:

- requirements: in roman type;
- *test specifications: in italic type;*
- notes: in small roman type.

Words in **bold** in the text are defined in Clause 3. When a definition concerns an adjective, the adjective and the associated noun are also in bold.

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- 6.1: Class 01 appliances are allowed (Japan).
- 13.2: Leakage current limits are different (Japan).

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## INTRODUCTION

It has been assumed in the drafting of this International Standard that the execution of its provisions is entrusted to appropriately qualified and experienced persons.

Guidance documents concerning the application of the safety requirements for appliances can be accessed via TC 61 supporting documents on the IEC website

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This information is given for the convenience of users of this International Standard and does not constitute a replacement for the normative text in this standard.

This standard recognizes the internationally accepted level of protection against hazards such as electrical, mechanical, thermal, fire and radiation of appliances when operated as in normal use taking into account the manufacturer's instructions. It also covers abnormal situations that can be expected in practice and takes into account the way in which electromagnetic phenomena can affect the safe operation of appliances.

This standard takes into account the requirements of IEC 60364 as far as possible so that there is compatibility with the wiring rules when the appliance is connected to the supply mains. However, national wiring rules may differ.

If an appliance within the scope of this standard also incorporates functions that are covered by another Part 2 of IEC 60335, the relevant Part 2 is applied to each function separately, as far as is reasonable. If applicable, the influence of one function on the other is taken into account.

When a Part 2 standard does not include additional requirements to cover hazards dealt with in Part 1, Part 1 applies.

NOTE 1 This means that the technical committees responsible for the Part 2 standards have determined that it is not necessary to specify particular requirements for the appliance in question over and above the general requirements.

This standard is a product family standard dealing with the safety of appliances and takes precedence over horizontal and generic standards covering the same subject.

NOTE 2 Horizontal publications, basic safety publications and group safety publications covering a hazard are not applicable since they have been taken into consideration when developing the general and particular requirements for the IEC 60335 series of standards.

An appliance that complies with the text of this standard will not necessarily be considered to comply with the safety principles of the standard if, when examined and tested, it is found to have other features that impair the level of safety covered by these requirements.

An appliance employing materials or having forms of construction differing from those detailed in the requirements of this standard may be examined and tested according to the intent of the requirements and, if found to be substantially equivalent, may be considered to comply with the standard.

NOTE 3 Standards dealing with non-safety aspects of household appliances are:

- IEC standards published by TC 59 concerning methods of measuring performance;
- CISPR 11, CISPR 14-1 and relevant IEC 61000-3 series standards concerning electromagnetic emissions;
- CISPR 14-2 concerning electromagnetic immunity;
- IEC standards published by TC 111 concerning environmental matters.

## HOUSEHOLD AND SIMILAR ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES – SAFETY –

### Part 2-50: Particular requirements for commercial electric bains-marie

#### 1 Scope

This clause of Part 1 is replaced by the following.

This part of IEC 60335 deals with the safety of electrically operated commercial **bains-marie** ~~not intended for household and similar use~~, their **rated voltage** being not more than 250 V for single-phase appliances connected between one phase and neutral, and 480 V for other appliances.

**NOTE 101**—These appliances are not intended for household and similar purposes. They are used for commercial processing of food, also in **areas open to the public**, for example in kitchens of restaurants, canteens, hospitals and in commercial enterprises such as bakeries, and butcheries, ~~etc.~~

The electrical part of appliances making use of other forms of energy is also within the scope of this standard.

As far as is practicable, this standard deals with the common hazards presented by these types of appliances.

**NOTE 102**—Attention is drawn to the fact that

- for appliances intended to be used in vehicles or on board ships or aircraft, additional requirements ~~may~~ can be necessary;
- in many countries additional requirements are specified by the national health authorities, the national authorities responsible for the protection of labour, the national water supply authorities and similar authorities;
- for appliances intended to be used outdoors, additional requirements ~~may~~ can be necessary.

**NOTE 103**—This standard does not apply to

- appliances designed exclusively for industrial purposes;
- appliances intended to be used in locations where special conditions prevail, such as the presence of a corrosive or explosive atmosphere (dust, vapour or gas);
- appliances for continuous mass production of food;
- **battery-operated appliances**;
- appliances for heating liquids for household use covered by IEC 60335-2-15 and used in the following environments by laymen:
  - staff kitchen areas in shops, offices and other working environments;
  - farm houses;
  - by clients in hotels, motels and other residential type environments;
  - bed and breakfast type environments.

## 2 Normative references

This clause of Part 1 is applicable except as follows.

*Addition:*

IEC 60584-1, *Thermocouples – Part 1: EMF specifications and tolerances*

ISO 898-1, *Mechanical properties of fasteners made of carbon steel and alloy steel – Part 1: Bolts, screws and studs with specified property classes – Coarse thread and fine pitch thread*

ISO 3506-1, *Fasteners – Mechanical properties of corrosion-resistant stainless steel fasteners – Part 1: Bolts, screws and studs with specified grades and property classes*

ISO 3506-2, *Fasteners – Mechanical properties of corrosion-resistant stainless steel fasteners – Part 2: Nuts with specified grades and property classes*

ISO 3506-3, *Mechanical properties of corrosion-resistant stainless steel fasteners – Part 3: Set screws and similar fasteners not under tensile stress*

ISO 3506-4, *Mechanical properties of corrosion-resistant stainless steel fasteners – Part 4: Tapping screws*

## 3 Terms and definitions

This clause of Part 1 is applicable except as follows.

### 3.1 Definitions relating to physical characteristics

#### 3.1.4 *Addition:*

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Note 101 to entry: The **rated power input** is the sum of the power inputs of all the individual elements in the appliance that can be on at one time; where there are several such combinations possible, that giving the highest power input is used in determining the **rated power input**.

#### 3.1.9 *Replacement:*

**normal operation**

operation of the appliance under the following conditions:

**Open-well** and **wet-heat-type bains-marie** are filled with water to the **indicated level** and topped up during the test in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions. The appliance is operated with any control intended to be operated by the user set at maximum. If the water boils, the control is then adjusted to the lowest setting that maintains simmering. No covers or containers are fitted.

**Dry-heat-type bains-marie** are operated with any controls set at the maximum. Empty food containers are placed in the well but with the container covers removed.

Combined-type appliances are operated under the most unfavourable conditions.

Motors and **detachable electrical parts** incorporated in the appliance are operated ~~in the intended manner~~ under the most ~~severe~~ unfavourable conditions that can be expected in normal use taking into account the manufacturer's instructions.

### 3.5 Definitions relating to types of appliances

#### 3.5.101

##### **bain-marie**

appliance with a well that is used for the storage of hot food in containers prior to serving

Note 1 to entry: The containers are indirectly heated by hot air, steam or water in the well.

#### 3.5.102

##### **open-well-type bain-marie**

appliance where the food containers rest in water in a heated well

#### 3.5.103

##### **wet-heat-type bain-marie**

appliance where the fitted food containers are heated by steam generated within the appliance

Note 1 to entry: The pressure in the well or steam generator does not differ significantly from atmospheric pressure.

#### 3.5.104

##### **dry-heat-type bain-marie**

appliance where the fitted food containers are heated by warm air generated within the appliance

### 3.6 Definitions relating to parts of an appliance

#### 3.1076.101

##### **functional surface**

surface that is intentionally heated by an internal heat source and has to be hot to carry out the function for which the appliance is intended

Note 1 to entry: An example is the heated sheath of a tubular heating element.

#### 3.1086.102

##### **adjacent surface**

surface that is adjacent to a **functional surface** and which can become hot through conduction-2021

### 3.8 Definitions relating to miscellaneous matters

#### 3.1058.101

##### **indicated level**

mark on the appliance to indicate the maximum liquid level for correct operation

#### 3.1068.102

##### **installation wall**

special fixed construction containing supply facilities for appliances installed in conjunction with it

#### 3.8.103

##### **area open to the public**

area in which the general public, including children, can have access

Note to entry: Examples are canteens and self-service restaurants.

## 4 General requirement

This clause of Part 1 is applicable.

## 5 General conditions for the tests

This clause of Part 1 is applicable except as follows.

### 5.10 Addition:

*Appliances intended for installation in a bank of other appliances and appliances intended to be fixed to an **installation wall** are enclosed to obtain protection against electric shock and harmful ingress of water equivalent to that obtained when installed in accordance with the instructions provided with the appliance.*

NOTE ~~404~~ Appropriate enclosures or additional appliances ~~may~~ can be needed for test purposes.

**5.101** *Appliances are tested as **heating appliances**, ~~even if they incorporate a motor~~ when during a mode of operation electrical heaters are energized. If no electrical heaters are energized, the appliances are tested as **motor-operated appliances**.*

**5.102** *Appliances, when assembled in combination with or incorporating other appliances, are tested in accordance with the requirements of this standard. The other appliances are operated simultaneously in accordance with the requirements of the relevant standards.*

## 6 Classification

This clause of Part 1 is applicable except as follows.

### 6.1 Replacement:

Appliances shall be **class I** with respect to protection against electric shock.

*Compliance is checked by inspection and by the relevant tests.*

### 6.2 Addition:

Appliances normally used on a table shall be at least IPX3. Other appliances shall be at least IPX4.

## 7 Marking and instructions

This clause of Part 1 is applicable except as follows.

### 7.1 Addition:

If appliances have external **accessible surfaces**, for which temperature rise limits are specified in Table 101 or Table 102 and for which the provisions of footnote "b" to Table 101 or Table 102 apply, then the appliance shall be marked with symbol IEC 60417-5041 (2002-10), or with the substance of the following:

Caution: Hot surfaces.

### 7.6 Addition:



[symbol IEC 60417-5041 (2002-10)]

caution, hot surface

### 7.12 Addition:

The manufacturer shall declare that the appliance is also intended to be used in an **area open to the public** or, if the appliance is not suitable for use in an **area open to the public**, the instruction shall include the substance of the following warning:

WARNING: This appliance shall not be installed where the public has access.

Instructions for **user maintenance**, for example cleaning, shall also be given. They shall include a statement that the appliance is not to be cleaned with a water jet or a steam cleaner.

Appliances that are provided with an appliance inlet and are intended to be partially or completely immersed in water for cleaning shall be accompanied by an instruction stating that the connector shall be removed before the appliance is cleaned and that the appliance inlet shall be dried before the appliance is used again.

The instructions of appliances, other than **stationary appliances**, and appliances with **detachable electrical parts** that are not intended to be partially or completely immersed in water for cleaning, shall state that the appliance or part shall not be immersed.

If any of symbols IEC 60417-1-5021 (2002-10) ~~and~~ or IEC 60417-5041 (2002-10) are marked on the appliance, its meaning shall be explained.

The instructions shall include the substance of the following warning:

WARNING: Opening the drain cock will lead to the outflow of the hot contents of the bain-marie.

The instructions shall include the substance of the following:

These appliances are intended to be used for commercial applications, for example in kitchens of restaurants, canteens, hospitals and in commercial enterprises such as bakeries, butcheries, etc., but not for continuous mass production of food.

If the manufacturer wants to limit the use of the appliance to less than the above, this has to be clearly stated in the instructions.

The instructions shall include the substance of the following:

- This appliance is not intended to be used by laymen in household and similar applications such as:
  - staff kitchen areas in shops, offices and other working environments;
  - farm houses;
  - in hotels, motels and other residential type environments;
  - bed and breakfast type environments.

### Modification:

The instruction concerning persons (including children) with reduced physical, sensory or mental capabilities or lack of experience and knowledge and children playing with the appliance is not applicable.