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Part 2-12: Particular requirements for warming plates and similar appliances

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A vertical bar appears in the margin wherever a change has been made. Additions are in green text, deletions are in strikethrough red text. Experts' comments are identified by a blue-background number. Mouse over a number to display a pop-up note with the comment.

This publication contains the CMV and the official standard. The full list of comments is available at the end of the CMV.

IEC 60335-2-12 has been prepared by IEC technical committee 61: Safety of household and similar electrical appliances. It is an International Standard.

This sixth edition cancels and replaces the fifth edition published in 2002, Amendment 1:2008 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) alignment with IEC 60335-1:2020;
- b) conversion of some notes to normative text (Clause 1, 5.2, 7.12, 15.2, 15.101, 24.1.5);
- c) application of test probe 19 (8.1.1, 20.2, B.22.3, B.22.4);
- d) clarification of applicability of requirements for remote operation (22.40, 22.49, 22.51).

The text of this International Standard is based on the following documents:

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The language used for the development of this International Standard is English.

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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 warming plates and similar appliances.

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.

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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~~ can 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 and generic standards~~ 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. ~~For example, in the case of temperature requirements for surfaces on many appliances, generic standards, such as ISO 13732-1 for hot surfaces, are not applicable in addition to Part 1 or part 2 standards.~~ **1**

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. **2**

HOUSEHOLD AND SIMILAR ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES – SAFETY –

Part 2-12: Particular requirements for warming plates and similar appliances

1 Scope

This clause of Part 1 is replaced by the following.

This part of IEC 60335 deals with the safety of electric warming plates, warming trays and similar appliances intended to keep food or vessels warm, for household and similar purposes, their **rated voltage** being not more than 250 V **including direct current (DC) supplied appliances and battery-operated appliances.** **3**

Appliances intended for normal household and similar use and that ~~may can~~ also be used by ~~laymen~~ **laypersons** in shops, in light industry and on farms are within the scope of this standard. However, if the appliance is intended to be used professionally to keep vessels warm or to process food for commercial consumption, the appliance is not considered to be for household and similar use only.

As far as is practicable, this standard deals with the common hazards presented by appliances that are encountered by all persons in and around the home. However, in general, it does not take into account

- persons (including children) whose
 - physical, sensory or mental capabilities; or
 - lack of experience and knowledge prevents them from using the appliance safely without supervision or instruction;
- children playing with the appliance.

~~NOTE 101~~ Attention is drawn to the fact that

- for appliances intended to be used in vehicles or on board ships or in 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 and similar authorities.

~~NOTE 102~~ This standard does not apply to

- appliances made of flexible material, such as textile material;
- appliances intended exclusively to be used in locations where special conditions prevail, such as the presence of a corrosive or explosive atmosphere (dust, vapour or gas);
- appliances intended exclusively for commercial catering ~~or industrial purposes~~ (IEC 60335-2-49, IEC 60335-2-50);
- **appliances intended exclusively industrial purposes;**
- **warming cabinets.**

2 Normative references

This clause of Part 1 is applicable except as follows.

Addition:

IEC 60320-1:2021, *Appliance couplers for household and similar purposes – Part 1: General requirements*

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

3 Terms and definitions

This clause of Part 1 is applicable except as follows.

3.1 Definitions relating to physical characteristics

3.1.9 ~~Replacement~~ *Modification:* normal operation

Replace the first paragraph with the following:

operation of the appliance under the following conditions:

The appliance is operated with a shallow pan, 150 mm in diameter and filled with water to a height of at least 25 mm, placed on the heated surface. If vessels are supplied with the appliance, or specified in the instructions, these are used instead.

The appliance is operated without a pan if this condition is more unfavourable.

3.6 Definitions relating to parts of appliances

3.6.101 ~~hot~~ functional surface

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

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.

5.2 *Addition:*

~~NOTE 101~~—If the test of 15.101 has to be carried out, three additional samples are required.

6 Classification

This clause of Part 1 is applicable.

7 Marking and instructions

This clause of Part 1 is applicable except as follows.

7.1 Addition:

Appliances intended to be partially immersed in water for cleaning shall be marked with the maximum level of immersion and with the substance of the following:

Do not immerse beyond this level.

When the provisions of footnote b to Table 101 apply, the appliance shall be marked with:

- the substance of "CAUTION: Hot surface", or
- symbol IEC 60417-5041 (2002-10).

7.6 Addition:



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

caution, hot surface

7.12 Addition:

The instructions shall include the substance of the following:

This appliance is intended to be used in household and similar applications such as:

- 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.

~~NOTE 101~~ If the manufacturer wants to limit the use of the appliance to less than the above, this ~~has to~~ shall be clearly stated in the instructions.

The instructions for appliances incorporating an appliance inlet and intended to be partially or completely immersed in water for cleaning, shall state that the connector must be removed before the appliance is cleaned and that the appliance inlet must be dried before the appliance is used again.

The instructions for appliances intended to be used with a connector incorporating a **thermostat** shall state that only the appropriate connector must be used.

The instructions for appliances having surfaces of glass-ceramic or similar material that forms part of the enclosure of **live parts** shall include the substance of the following:

WARNING: Do not use the appliance if the surface is cracked.

The instructions for appliances that have to be used with particular vessels that are not supplied shall specify the vessels to be used.

If symbol IEC 60417-5041 (2002-10) is marked on appliances, its meaning shall be explained and the location of areas where the limits are exceeded shall be stated or shown by a drawing.

7.14 Addition:

The height of the triangle in symbol IEC 60417-5041 (2002-10) shall be at least 10 mm.

Compliance is checked by measurement.

7.15 Addition:

The marking specified for hot surfaces shall be clearly visible when the appliance is operated as in normal use, including when actuating any switch, adjusting any control or opening a lid or door. It shall not be placed on a ~~hot~~ **functional surface** or on surfaces that are exempted from the limits of Table 101.

8 Protection against access to live parts

This clause of Part 1 is applicable **except as follows**.

8.1.1 Addition:

For parts of appliances situated not more than 850 mm above the floor after installation or in normal use, in addition to the use of test probe 18, test probe 19 of IEC 61032 is also applied wherever test probe 18 is used and with the same test conditions used for test probe 18. 4

8.1.3 Addition:

Test probe 19 is not applied.

9 Starting of motor-operated appliances

This clause of Part 1 is not applicable.

10 Power input and current

This clause of Part 1 is applicable.

11 Heating

This clause of Part 1 is applicable except as follows.

11.2 Modification Addition:

Portable appliances are placed away from the walls of the test corner.

11.3 Addition:

*Where the external **accessible surfaces** are suitably flat and access permits, then the test probe of Figure 101 is used to measure the temperature rises of external **accessible surfaces** specified in Table 101. The probe is applied with a force of $4\text{ N} \pm 1\text{ N}$ to the surface in such a way that the best possible contact between the probe and the surface is ensured. The measurement is performed after a contact period of 30 s.*

The probe may be held in place using a laboratory stand clamp or similar device. Any measuring instrument giving the same results as the probe may be used.

11.7 Replacement Modification:

Replace the first paragraph with the following:

Appliances are operated until steady conditions are established.

11.8 Addition Modification:

Replace the first paragraph with the following:

During the test, the temperature rises are monitored continuously and shall not exceed the values shown in Table 3 and Table 101.

Addition:

*When an appliance connector incorporates a **thermostat**, the temperature rise limit for the pins of the inlet does not apply.*

Table 101 – Maximum temperature rises of external accessible surfaces under normal operating conditions

Surface	Temperature rise of external accessible surfaces ^a	
	K	
	Appliances and parts situated not more than 850 mm above the floor after installation ^b	Appliances and parts situated more than 850 mm above the floor after installation ^b
Bare metal	38	42
Coated metal ^c	42	49
Glass and ceramic	51	56
Plastic and plastic coating > 0,4 mm ^{d, e}	58	62
<p>NOTE The temperature rise limits of handles, knobs, grips, keyboards, keypads and similar parts are specified in Table 3. 5</p>		
<p>^a The following surfaces or elements shall not be taken into consideration:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - hot-functional surfaces; - handles or control knobs including keypads, keyboards and the like: part of the equipment that a user needs to touch to operate or adjust the equipment. The equipment has to be installed according to the manufacturer's instructions; - surfaces within 5 mm of touch controls regardless of their shape; - surfaces within 25 mm of the outline of the hot functional surfaces; - underside surfaces that are not accessible to a 75 mm diameter probe having a hemispherical end; - lids and covers. 		
<p>^b When the required values are not met, the maximum temperature rise shall not be higher than two times the values indicated.</p>		
<p>^c Metal is considered coated when a coating having a minimum thickness of 90 µm made of enamel, powder or non-substantially plastic coating is used.</p>		
<p>^d The temperature rise limit of plastic also applies for plastic material having a metal finish of thickness less than 0,1 mm.</p>		
<p>^e When the thickness of the plastic coating does not exceed 0,4 mm, the temperature rise limits of the coated metal or of glass and ceramic material apply.</p>		