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<u>Publication</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>EN/HD</u>	<u>Year</u>
IEC 60050-486	- ¹⁾	International Electrotechnical Vocabulary (IEV) Chapter 486: Secondary cells and batteries	-	-
IEC 60051	Series	Direct acting indicating analogue electrical measuring instruments and their accessories	EN 60051	Series
IEC 60285	- ¹⁾	Alkaline secondary cells and batteries - Sealed nickel-cadmium cylindrical rechargeable single cells	EN 60285	1994 ²⁾
IEC 60485	- ¹⁾	Digital electronic d.c. voltmeters and d.c. electronic analogue-to-digital converters	-	-
IEC 61436	- ¹⁾	Secondary cells and batteries containing alkaline or other non-acid electrolytes - Sealed nickel-metal hydride rechargeable single cells	EN 61436	1998 ²⁾
IEC 61438	- ¹⁾	Possible safety and health hazards in the use of alkaline secondary cells and batteries - Guide to equipment manufacturers and users	-	-
IEC 61440	- ¹⁾	Secondary cells and batteries containing alkaline or other non-acid electrolytes - Sealed nickel-cadmium small prismatic rechargeable single cells	EN 61440	1997 ²⁾

¹⁾ Undated reference.

²⁾ Valid edition at date of issue.

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IEC 61951-1	- ¹⁾	Secondary cells and batteries containing alkaline or other non-acid electrolytes - Portable sealed rechargeable single cells Part 1: Nickel-cadmium	EN 61951-1	2001 ²⁾
IEC 61951-2	- ¹⁾	Part 2: Nickel-metal hydride	EN 61951-2	2001 ²⁾
IEC 61960	- ³⁾	Secondary cells and batteries containing alkaline or other non-acid electrolytes - Secondary lithium cells and batteries for portable applications	-	-
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OR OTHER NON-ACID ELECTROLYTES –****SAFETY REQUIREMENTS FOR PORTABLE SEALED
SECONDARY CELLS, AND FOR BATTERIES MADE FROM THEM,
FOR USE IN PORTABLE APPLICATIONS**

FOREWORD

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21A/363/FDIS	21A/371/RVD

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This publication has been drafted in accordance with the ISO/IEC Directives, Part 2.

The committee has decided that the contents of this publication will remain unchanged until 2008-01. At this date, the publication will be

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- replaced by a revised edition, or
- amended.

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SAFETY REQUIREMENTS FOR PORTABLE SEALED SECONDARY CELLS, AND FOR BATTERIES MADE FROM THEM, FOR USE IN PORTABLE APPLICATIONS

1 General

1.1 Scope

This International Standard specifies requirements and tests for the safe operation of portable sealed secondary cells and batteries (other than button) containing alkaline or other non-acid electrolyte, under intended use and reasonably foreseeable misuse.

1.2 Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

IEC 60050-486, *International Electrotechnical Vocabulary – Chapter 486: Secondary cells and batteries*

IEC 60051 (all parts), *Direct acting indicating analogue electrical measuring instruments and their accessories*

IEC 60285, *Alkaline secondary cells and batteries – Sealed nickel-cadmium cylindrical rechargeable single cells*

IEC 60485, *Digital electronic d.c. voltmeters and d.c. electronic analogue-to-digital converters*

IEC 61436, *Secondary cells and batteries containing alkaline or other non-acid electrolytes – Sealed nickel-metal hydride rechargeable single cells*

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IEC 61440, *Secondary cells and batteries containing alkaline or other non-acid electrolytes – Sealed nickel-cadmium small prismatic rechargeable single cells*

IEC 61951-1, *Secondary cells and batteries containing alkaline or other non-acid electrolytes – Portable sealed rechargeable single cells – Part 1: Nickel-cadmium*

IEC 61951-2, *Secondary cells and batteries containing alkaline or other non-acid electrolytes – Portable sealed rechargeable single cells – Part 2: Nickel-metal hydride*

IEC 61960, *Secondary cells and batteries containing alkaline or other non-acid electrolytes – Secondary lithium cells and batteries for portable applications*¹

ISO/IEC Guide 51, *Safety aspects – Guidelines for their inclusion in standards*

¹ To be published.

1.3 Definitions

For the purpose of this international standard, the definitions contained in IEC 60050-486 and ISO/IEC Guide 51 as well as the following definitions apply.

1.3.1

safety

freedom from unacceptable risk

1.3.2

risk

a combination of the probability of occurrence of harm and the severity of that harm

1.3.3

harm

physical injury or damage to the health of people or damage to property or to the environment

1.3.4

hazard

potential source of harm

1.3.5

intended use

use of a product, process or service in accordance with specifications, instructions and information provided by the supplier

1.3.6

reasonably foreseeable misuse

use of a product, process or service in a way which is not intended by the supplier, but which may result from readily predictable human behaviour

1.3.7

secondary cell

basic manufactured unit providing a source of electrical energy by direct conversion of chemical energy, that consists of electrodes, separators, electrolyte, container and terminals, and that is designed to be charged electrically

1.3.8

secondary battery

assembly of secondary cell(s) ready for use as a source of electrical energy characterized by its voltage, size, terminal arrangement, capacity and rate capability

1.3.9

leakage

visible escape of liquid electrolyte

1.3.10

venting

release of excessive internal pressure from a cell/battery in a manner intended by design to preclude rupture or explosion

1.3.11

rupture

mechanical failure of a cell container or battery case induced by an internal or external cause, resulting in exposure or spillage but not ejection of materials