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SAFETY –****Part 2-4: Particular requirements for spin extractors**

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The technical content is therefore identical to the base edition and its amendment and has been prepared for user convenience. A vertical line in the margin shows where the base publication has been modified by amendment 1. Additions and deletions are displayed in red, with deletions being struck through.

International Standard IEC 60335-2-4 has been prepared by IEC technical committee 61: Safety of household and similar electrical appliances.

The principal changes in this edition as compared with the fifth edition of IEC 60335-2-4 are as follows (minor changes are not listed):

- aligns the text with IEC 60335-1:2001, and its Amendments 1 and 2;
- clarifies criteria for the protection against mechanical hazards for double lid appliances (20.103 and 20.104);
- some notes have been converted to normative text (Clause 1, 20.102 and Annex AA).

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

This part 2 is to be used in conjunction with the latest edition of IEC 60335-1 and its amendments. It was established on the basis of the fourth edition (2001) 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: Safety requirements for electric spin extractors.

NOTE 2 The following annex contain provisions suitably modified from another IEC standard:

Annex AA	Rinsing agent	IEC 60436
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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 3 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 4 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.

A list of all parts of the IEC 60335 series, under the general title: *Household and similar electrical appliances – Safety*, can be found on the IEC website.

The following differences exist in the countries indicated below.

- 3.1.9: As an alternative to the test material specified, pieces of cloth having an area between 4 800 cm² and 5 000 cm², with one side at least 55 cm, may be used for the tests (USA).
- 6.1: Class 0I appliances are allowed (Japan).
- 6.2: IPX0 appliances are allowed (USA).
- 15.2: The test is different (USA).
- 18: The test is carried out for 6 000 cycles (Canada and USA).
- 19.7: This subclause is applicable (USA).
- 20.101: The test is not carried out (USA).
- 20.103: The requirement is different (USA).

- 20.104: The requirement is different (USA).
- 21.101: There are constructional requirements for metal lids and the tests are different for thermoplastic lids (USA)
- 21.102: There are constructional requirements for metal lids and the tests are different for thermoplastic lids (USA).

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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.

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 and generic standards 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.

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 which 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.

HOUSEHOLD AND SIMILAR ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES – SAFETY –

Part 2-4: Particular requirements for spin extractors

1 Scope

This clause of Part 1 is replaced by the following.

This International Standard deals with the safety of

- stand alone electric spin extractors, and
- spin extractors incorporated in washing machines that have separate containers for washing and spin extraction

for household and similar purposes that have a capacity not exceeding 10 kg of dry cloth and a drum peripheral speed not exceeding 50 m/s, their **rated voltages** being not more than 250 V for single-phase appliances and 480 V for other appliances.

Appliances not intended for normal household use but which nevertheless may be a source of danger to the public, such as spin extractors intended to be used by laymen in shops, in light industry and on farms, and spin extractors for communal use in blocks of flats or in launderettes are within the scope of this standard.

As far as is practicable, this standard deals with the common hazards presented by appliances which 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 knowledgeprevents 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 aircraft, additional requirements may 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.

NOTE 102 This standard does not apply to

- appliances intended 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).

2 Normative references

This clause of Part 1 is applicable except as follows.

Addition:

IEC 60730-2-12:2005, *Automatic electrical controls for household and similar use – Part 2: Particular requirements for electrically operated door locks*

3 Terms and definitions

This clause of Part 1 is applicable except as follows.

3.1.9 Replacement:

normal operation

operation of the appliance under the following conditions

The drum is filled with textile material having a mass in the dry condition equal to the maximum mass specified in the instructions. The textile material consists of pre-washed double hemmed cotton sheets having dimensions of approximately 700 mm × 700 mm and a specific mass between 140 g/m² and 175 g/m² in the dry condition. It is saturated with water before being evenly distributed in the drum.

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:

The tests of 21.101, 21.102 and 22.101 shall be carried out on the same appliance as that used for the test of Clause 18.

5.3 Addition:

The tests of 21.101 and 21.102 are carried out before the test of Clause 18. The test of 22.101 is carried out after the test of Clause 18.

6 Classification

This clause of Part 1 is applicable except as follows.

6.1 Modification:

Appliances shall be **class I**, **class II** or **class III**.

6.2 Addition:

Appliances shall be at least IPX4.

7 Marking and instructions

This clause of Part 1 is applicable except as follows.

7.10 Addition:

If the **off position** is only indicated by letters, the word "off" shall be used.

7.12 Addition:

The instructions shall specify the maximum mass of dry cloth in kilograms, to be used in the appliance.

7.12.1 Addition:

If the label specified in 7.101 is supplied with the appliance, the installation instructions shall state that it has to be permanently fixed to the wall close to the appliance.

For appliances intended for communal use in blocks of flats, and having an interlock system that has to be energized in order to release the lid, the installation instructions shall state that a device for switching off the appliance automatically is not to be installed in the supply circuit.

7.101 Appliances intended for communal use in blocks of flats, and having an interlock system that has to be energized in order to release the lid, shall be supplied with a label that states the substance of the following, unless the instruction is marked on the appliance:

This spin extractor has to be connected to the supply mains before the lid can be opened.
Do not force it open.

8 Protection against access to live parts

This clause of Part 1 is applicable.

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.

11.7 Replacement:

Appliances are operated for five periods of water extraction, the periods being separated by a rest period. Each rest period, which includes the braking time, has a duration of 1 min for each kilogram of dry textile material or 4 min, whichever is longer. During the rest period, the textile material is re-saturated with water.

For appliances incorporating a programmer or timer, the water extraction period is the maximum allowed by the control.

For other appliances, the water extraction period has a duration of

- 15 min for continuous-flow rinsing appliances;*
- 5 min for other appliances.*

If a longer period is indicated in the instructions, this period applies instead.

12 Void

13 Leakage current and electric strength at operating temperature

This clause of Part 1 is applicable.

14 Transient overvoltages

This clause of Part 1 is applicable.

15 Moisture resistance

This clause of Part 1 is applicable except as follows.

15.2 Replacement:

Appliances shall be constructed so that spillage of liquid in normal use does not affect their electrical insulation.

Compliance is checked by the following tests.

*Appliances with **type X attachment**, except those having a specially prepared cord, are fitted with the lightest permissible type of flexible cord and having the smallest cross-sectional area specified in Table 13.*

*The inlet to the discharge pump or to the gravity drain is blocked. The drum is filled as specified for **normal operation**, the mass of water being twice the mass of the dry textile material. Any water remaining after the saturation process is poured into the appliance, which is supplied at **rated voltage** and operated for 1 min or the maximum period allowed by the programmer or timer, whichever is shorter.*

*In addition, continuous-flow rinsing appliances having a vertical axis are completely filled with saturated textile material and 10 l of water is poured in over a period of 20 s. The appliance is then operated while supplied at **rated voltage**.*

For all appliances, 0,5 l of water containing approximately 1 % NaCl and 0,6 % of rinsing agent, as specified in Annex AA, is poured over the top of the appliance, the controls being placed in the on position. The controls are then operated through their working range, this operation being repeated after a period of 5 min.

*The appliance shall then withstand the electric strength test of 16.3 and inspection shall show that there is no trace of water on insulation that could result in a reduction of **clearances** or **creepage distances** below the values specified in Clause 29.*