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SAFETY –****Part 2-44: Particular requirements for ironers**

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The technical content is therefore identical to the base edition and its amendment and has been prepared for user convenience.

It bears the edition number 3.1.

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The French version of this standard has not been voted upon.

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 ironers.

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:

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- 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**.

The following differences exist in the countries indicated below.

- 11.7: The test conditions are different (USA).
- 19.13: The test criteria are different (USA).
- 20.2: The requirements for entrapment and mechanical hazards are different (USA).
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- 22.101: The test is different (USA).
- 22.104: The test is different (USA).

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It is the recommendation of the committee that the content of the amendment 1 be adopted for implementation nationally not earlier than 12 months or later than 36 months from the date of publication.

## 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 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.

# HOUSEHOLD AND SIMILAR ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES – SAFETY –

## Part 2-44: Particular requirements for ironers

### 1 Scope

This clause of Part 1 is replaced by the following.

This International Standard deals with the safety of electric **ironers** for household and similar purposes, their **rated voltage** 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 appliances intended to be used by laymen in shops, in light industry and on farms, are within the scope of this standard.

NOTE 101 Examples of appliances within the scope of this standard are

- **ironing presses** for one-person operation;
- **mangles**;
- **rotary ironers** for one-person operation;
- **trouser presses**.

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 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 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 103 This standard does not apply to

- **rotary ironers** for operation by more than one person. The roller length of such appliances normally exceeds 1,6 m in length;
- 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);
- electric irons (IEC 60335-2-3)

### 2 Normative references

This clause of Part 1 is applicable.



### 3 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

Appliances are operated without laundry.

**Ironing presses** are operated with the pressing surfaces separated as far as possible. Appliances that generate steam are operated in cycles with the water reservoir filled and with maximum steam emission. Each cycle consists of 10 s with the pressing surfaces in contact with each other and 10 s apart. Appliances that can generate steam or spray water are also operated with the water reservoir empty.

**Rotary ironers** are operated with the movable surface raised and lowered in cycles. Each cycle consists of 24 s with the pressing surfaces in contact with each other and 6 s apart.

**Trouser presses** are operated with the pressing surfaces in contact with each other.

**Mangles** are operated with the rollers in contact with each other.

NOTE 101 The mangle cloth is not removed.

#### 3.101

##### **ironer**

appliance in which the laundry is supported by a padded surface and having a heated surface that can be brought into contact with the laundry

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#### 3.102

##### **rotary ironer**

ironer in which the laundry is passed between a heated surface and a padded roller that is rotated by a motor

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NOTE **Rotary ironers** may have more than one heated surface.

#### 3.103

##### **ironing press**

ironer in which the surface supporting the laundry and the heated surface are substantially flat

NOTE **Ironing presses** may have means to generate steam or to spray water.

#### 3.104

##### **trouser press**

appliance having a pair of flat surfaces, one or both of which can be heated and that can be closed together with trousers positioned between them

#### 3.105

##### **mangle**

appliance for ironing laundry by unheated rollers that are pressed together and rotated by a motor

NOTE **Mangles** may have a cloth, one end of which is attached to one of the rollers and on which the laundry is placed for ironing.

#### 4 General requirement

This clause of Part 1 is applicable.

#### 5 General conditions for the tests

This clause of Part 1 is applicable.

#### 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 shall be marked on or near lampholders with the maximum power input of replaceable illumination lamps as follows:

lamp max. ... W

The word “lamp” may be replaced by symbol IEC 60417-5012 (2002-10).

Appliances intended to be supplied with compressed air shall be marked with the maximum air pressure in megapascals.

##### 7.12 Addition:

The instructions for **mangles** shall state that the appliances must be disconnected when not in use and when the mangle cloth is being replaced.

The instructions for **ironing presses** in which steam is generated under pressure shall state that the filling cap must not be removed during use. Instructions for the safe refilling of the water reservoir shall be given.

#### 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.

### 11.2 Modification:

*Appliances normally used on a floor or table are placed away from the walls of the test corner.*

*Separate steam generators of **ironing presses** are placed as near as possible to the walls of the test corner.*

### 11.4 Addition:

*If the temperature rise limits are exceeded in appliances incorporating motors, transformers or **electronic circuits**, and the power input is lower than the **rated power input**, the test is repeated with the appliance supplied at 1,06 times **rated voltage**.*

### 11.6 Replacement:

**Combined appliances are operated as heating appliances.**

### 11.7 Addition:

**Trouser presses** incorporating a timer are operated for three cycles of operation without rest periods.

NOTE 101 One cycle is the maximum operating period allowed by the timer.

**Other appliances are operated until steady conditions are established.**

### 11.8 Addition:

*The temperature rise limits of motors, transformers and components of **electronic circuits**, including parts directly influenced by them, may be exceeded when the appliance is operated at 1,15 times **rated power input**.*

## 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.

## 16 Leakage current and electric strength

This clause of Part 1 is applicable.

## 17 Overload protection of transformers and associated circuits

This clause of Part 1 is applicable.

## 18 Endurance

This clause of Part 1 is not applicable.

## 19 Abnormal operation

This clause of Part 1 is applicable except as follows.

### 19.2 Addition:

*Appliances are tested with their pressing surfaces in contact with each other unless they automatically separate when the closing force is released.*

### 19.4 Addition:

*For appliances that generate steam, any control that limits the pressure during the test of Clause 11 is rendered inoperative.*

### 19.7 Addition:

**Mangles** are operated for 5 min.

19.9 Not applicable.

### 19.13 Addition:

*The temperature rise of the surface intended to support the laundry shall not exceed 150 K 5 min after a **protective device** has operated.*

## 20 Stability and mechanical hazards

This clause of Part 1 is applicable except as follows.

### 20.1 Addition:

*The test with the angle of inclination increased to 15° is not carried out.*

**Mangles** are also checked by the following test.

*The **mangle** is placed in any normal position of use on a horizontal plane. A force of 90 N is applied horizontally to the top of the **mangle**. The force is removed and a force of 180 N is applied vertically downwards at the most unfavourable place.*