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Part 2-72: Particular requirements for floor treatment machines with or without traction drive, for commercial use

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The principal changes in this edition as compared with the second edition of IEC 60335-2-72 are as follows (minor changes are not listed):

The standard has been revised completely and changed significantly, in particular with regard to the following clauses:

- the title has been changed for better distinction with regard to IEC 60335-2-67;
- the scope has been revised editorially to avoid misunderstandings;
- Clause 3 has been revised with regard to the requirements revised;
- the standard has been revised in general and updated regarding state-of-the-art, as far as necessary, in particular some changes have been made to Clauses 15, 22, and 25;
- the markings and instructions (Clause 7) have been revised basically;
- a new Annex DD 'Emission of acoustical noise' was added; and
- a new Annex EE 'Emission of vibration' was added.

The text of this standard is based on the following documents:

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61J/491/FDIS	61J/500/RVD

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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 fifth edition (2010) 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 floor treatment machines with or without traction drive, for commercial use.

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.

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.

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1 Scope

This clause of Part 1 is replaced by the following.

This International Standard deals with the safety of powered ride-on and powered **walk-behind machines** intended for commercial indoor or outdoor use for the following applications:

- sweeping,
- scrubbing,
- wet or dry pick-up,
- polishing,
- application of wax, sealing products and powder based detergents,
- shampooing

of floors with an artificial surface.

Their cleaning motion is more linear than lateral or periodic.

NOTE 101 By contrast, the cleaning motion of machines covered by IEC 60335-2-67 is more lateral or periodic than linear.

NOTE 102 This standard applies to machines for **commercial use**. The following list, although not comprehensive, gives an indication of locations that are included in the scope:

- public use areas such as hotels, schools, hospitals;
- industrial locations, for example factories and manufacturing shops;
- retail outlets, for example shops and supermarkets;
- business premises, for example offices and banks;
- all uses other than normal housekeeping purposes.

They may be equipped with a **traction drive** system. The following power systems are covered:

- internal combustion engines,
- mains powered motors up to a **rated voltage** of 250 V for single-phase appliances and 480 V for other appliances,
- battery powered motors.

Battery powered machines may be equipped with a built-in battery charger.

This standard does not apply to

- floor treatment appliances for household use according to IEC 60335-2-10;
- floor treatment machines for **commercial use** according to IEC 60335-2-67;
- spray extraction machines for **commercial use** (IEC 60335-2-68);

- wet and dry vacuum cleaners, including power brush, for **commercial use** (IEC 60335-2-69);
- road sweepers;

NOTE 103 In Europe, EN 13019 covers road sweepers.

- machines designed for use on **slopes** with a gradient exceeding 20 %;
- machines equipped with a power take-off (PTO);
- machines designed for use in corrosive or explosive environments (dust, vapour or gas);
- machines designed for picking up hazardous dusts (as defined in IEC 60335-2-69), inflammable substances, or glowing particles;
- machines designed for use in vehicles or on board of ships or aircraft.

NOTE 104 Attention is drawn to the fact that

- in many countries additional requirements on the safe use of the equipment covered can be specified by the national health authorities, the national authorities responsible for the protection of labour, the national water supply authorities and similar authorities;
- **ride-on machines** designed for transport over public roads can be subject to additional requirements (e.g. lighting, license plate etc.).

2 Normative references

This clause of Part 1 is applicable except as follows.

Addition:

IEC 60312-1, *Vacuum cleaners for household use – Part 1: Dry vacuum cleaners – Methods for measuring the performance*

IEC 62061, *Safety of machinery – Functional safety of safety-related electrical, electronic and programmable electronic control systems*

ISO 3411, *Earth moving machinery – Human physical dimensions of operators and minimum operator space envelope*

ISO 5353, *Earth-moving machinery, and tractors and machinery for agriculture and forestry – Seat index point*

ISO 6344-2, *Coated abrasives – Grain size analysis – Part 2: Determination of grain size distribution of macrogrits P12 to P220*

ISO 13849-1, *Safety of machinery – Safety-related parts of control systems – Part 1: General principles for design*

ISO 13857, *Safety of machinery – Safety distances to prevent hazard zones being reached by the upper and lower limbs*

ISO 25119 (all parts), *Tractors and machinery for agriculture and forestry – Safety-related parts of control systems*

Replacement:

IEC 60068-2-78:2001, *Environmental testing – Part 2-78: Tests – Test Cab: Damp heat, steady state*

3 Terms and definitions

This clause of Part 1 is applicable except as follows.

3.1.9 Replacement:

normal operation

conditions under which the machine is operated in normal use, as intended by the manufacturer

It denotes the load corresponding to the **rated power input** or the highest obtainable load of all particular loads of the various functions that can be operated at the same time in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions. For machines provided with a seat or an **operator** platform, a mass of 75 kg secured in position at the appropriate height is used to simulate the **operator** in the most unfavourable position.

Socket-outlets for accessories are loaded with a resistive load in accordance with the marking.

Operational functions include all treatment and driving functions.

The **normal operation** related to the operational functions is specified in 3.1.9.101 to 3.1.9.103:

3.1.9.101 Scrubbing and sweeping machines are operated on a surface of hydraulically pressed concrete paving slabs (see Annex AA) intermittently at least 30 min switched on, and for a period of 5 min switched off.

An alternative is a smooth concrete area of a surface consistency comparable with hydraulically pressed concrete paving slabs.

3.1.9.102 Polishing and dry buffing machines are operated as follows.

PVC- or comparable flooring surfaces are considered to be suitable for establishing **normal operation**. The peak of input occurring during the drying process of the chemical applied to treat the surface is not taken as **normal operation** but is averaged by extending measurements over a period of at least 10 min.

3.1.9.103 Carpet shampooers are operated on a test surface consisting of a carpet, in accordance with IEC 60312-1, the carpet being fastened to the floor.

Prior to testing, the brush of the shampooing machine is conditioned by operating it for 15 min on a clean, dry concrete surface. After running on the concrete surface, the brush is immersed in a shampoo solution for at least 30 min.

The solution tank is filled and the machine is operated over a period of 10 min.

3.101

traction drive

system used to propel the machine, e.g. by powered wheels

Traction by the effect of rotating brushes is not included.

3.102

walk-behind machine

machine with or without a **traction drive** designed to be controlled by the **operator** walking behind the machine

It may be equipped with a detachable **sulky**.

3.103**ride-on machine**

machine with a **traction drive** and with an **operator** seat or a platform on which the **operator** is sitting/standing during operation

3.104**sulky (trailer)**

removable trailing seat or stand-on platform with wheels or skids designed to carry an **operator** in a sitting or standing position, while controlling a **walk-behind machine** with **traction drive**

3.105**wet cleaning machine**

machine for applying and sucking up liquids

3.106**water-suction cleaning machine**

machine for sucking up liquids

3.107**motorized cleaning head**

hand-held or hand-guided cleaning device connected to the machine, with an integrated electrical motor

Note 1 to entry: The main cleaning head permanently attached is not regarded as a **motorized cleaning head**.

3.108**hopper**

container to store picked up debris

3.109**parking brake**

means, actuated by the **operator** in the normal operating position, to prevent a stationary machine from moving

3.110**service brake**

means for decelerating and stopping a machine, with a **traction drive**, from its ground travel speed

3.111**operator presence control****OPC**

control device that automatically interrupts the power, e.g. to a drive or an engine, when the **operator's** actuating force is removed

Note 1 to entry: Such devices can be, for example, continuous action controls ("hold-to-run" controls) or seat switches.

3.112**guard**

part of the machine specifically designed to provide protection by means of a physical barrier, such as, for example, a casing, a shield, a cover, a screen, a door, an enclosure or a fence; other parts of the machine that fulfil a primarily operational function, such as, for example, the frame of the machine, may also fulfil a protective function but are not referred to as **guards**

Note 1 to entry: Three main kinds of **guards** can be distinguished: fixed **guards**, interlocking moveable **guards** and adjustable **guards**. Interlocking moveable **guards** are required where frequent access is envisaged, while fixed **guards** can be used where frequent access is not envisaged.

**3.113
operator**

person installing, operating, adjusting, cleaning, moving, or performing user maintenance on the machine

**3.114
gross vehicle weight
GVW**

maximum allowable fully laden weight of the machine and its payload, as ready for use

Note 1 to entry: See 5.102 for further test conditions.

**3.115
test solution**

solution which consists of 20 g of NaCl and 1 ml of a solution of 28 % by mass of dodecyl sodium sulphate in each 8 l of water

Note 1 to entry: The chemical designation of dodecyl sodium sulphate is $C_{12}H_{25}NaSO_4$.

**3.116
level surface**

plane with a gradient up to and including 2 %

**3.117
slope**

inclined plane with a gradient greater than 2 % but not exceeding 20 %

**3.118
maximum cleaning gradeability**

maximum gradient according to manufacturer's instruction and as indicated on the machine, on which the machine can be used safely for cleaning purposes

**3.119
maximum transport gradeability**

maximum gradient according to manufacturer's instruction, on which the machine can be used safely for transport purposes

**3.120
built-in charger**

charger mounted on or into the machine and designed to operate only on or into the machine.

Note 1 to entry: **Built-in chargers** can also be called on-board chargers.

**3.121
built-in charger with power supply function**

component intended to provide power for charging, operation or both

**3.122
commercial use**

intended use of machines covered by this standard, i.e. not intended for normal housekeeping purposes by private persons but which may be a source of danger to the public

I.e. in particular that

- the machines may be used by cleaning contractors, cleaning staff, etc.;
- they are used in commercial or public premises (i.e. offices, shops, hotels, hospitals, schools, etc.) or in industrial (plants etc.) and light industrial (workshops etc.) environments.

Note 1 to entry: **Commercial use** is also called professional use.

4 General requirement

This clause of Part 1 is applicable except as follows:

Replacement of the first paragraph by the following:

Machines shall be constructed so that they function safely so as to cause no danger to persons or surroundings during normal use, even in the event of carelessness, and during installation, adjusting, maintenance, cleaning, repairing or transportation.

Addition:

For the purposes of this standard, the term 'appliance' as used in Part 1 is to be read as 'machine'.

5 General conditions for the tests

This clause of Part 1 is applicable except as follows.

5.101 *The test solution is to be stored in a cool atmosphere and used within seven days after its preparation.*

5.102 *The GVW includes, if applicable, full clean water tanks, empty dirty water tanks (half full for recycling systems), empty dust bags, hopper loaded at rated capacity, largest recommended batteries, all options such as cords, hoses, wands, cleaning agents, brooms and brushes.*

For ride-on machines, the GVW includes a standard operator, weighing 75 kg.

5.103 *Liquid containers of machines for wet scrubbing and shampooing are filled to the highest level indicated by the manufacturer.*

5.104 *Machines that are designed to have a sulky are tested with the sulky including the weight of a standard operator (75 kg) or without the sulky, whichever is the most unfavourable condition.*

6 Classification

This clause of Part 1 is applicable except as follows.

6.1 Replacement:

Machines shall be one of the following classes with respect to the protection against electric shock:

- class I,
- class II, or
- class III.

Compliance is checked by inspection and by the relevant tests.