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essentiels des appareils pour lithotritie créée de façon extracorporelle



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- “may” is used to describe a permissible way to achieve compliance with a requirement or test.

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INTRODUCTION

This particular standard concerns the BASIC SAFETY and ESSENTIAL PERFORMANCE of equipment for EXTRACORPOREALLY INDUCED LITHOTRIPSY. It amends and supplements IEC 60601-1/A1:2012 (Ed. 3.1): *Medical electrical equipment – Part 1: General requirements for basic safety and essential performance*, hereinafter referred to as the general standard.

The aim of this second edition is to bring this particular standard up to date with reference to the third edition of the general standard through reformatting and technical changes.

The requirements of this particular standard take priority over those of the general standard.

A “General guidance and rationale” for the more important requirements of this particular standard is included in Annex AA. It is considered that knowledge of the reasons for these requirements will not only facilitate the proper application of the standard but will, in due course, expedite any revision necessitated by changes in clinical practice or as a result of developments in technology. However, Annex AA does not form part of the requirements of this standard.

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201.1 Scope, object and related standards

Clause 1 of the general standard¹ applies, except as follows:

201.1.1 Scope

Replacement:

This particular standard applies to BASIC SAFETY and ESSENTIAL PERFORMANCE of equipment for EXTRACORPOREALLY INDUCED LITHOTRIPSY as defined in 201.3.206 including equipment for other medical applications of therapeutic extracorporeally induced focused PRESSURE PULSES, hereafter referred to as ME EQUIPMENT. The applicability of this particular standard is limited to components directly involved in the LITHOTRIPSY treatment, such as, but not limited to, the generator of the PRESSURE PULSE, PATIENT support device, and their interactions with imaging and monitoring devices. Other devices, such as PATIENT treatment planning computers, X-ray and ultrasonic devices, are excluded from this standard, because they are treated in other applicable IEC standards.

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This particular standard does not apply to:

- ULTRASOUND PHYSIOTHERAPY EQUIPMENT intended to be used for physiotherapy;
- ULTRASOUND equipment intended to be used for high intensity therapeutic ULTRASOUND (HITU) and other therapy equipment as described in Annex AA;

201.1.2 * Object

Replacement:

The object of this particular standard is to establish particular BASIC SAFETY and ESSENTIAL PERFORMANCE requirements of equipment for EXTRACORPOREALLY INDUCED LITHOTRIPSY as defined in 201.3.206 including equipment for other medical applications of therapeutic extracorporeal focused PRESSURE PULSES.

201.1.3 Collateral standards

Addition:

This particular standard refers to those applicable collateral standards that are listed in Clause 2 of the general standard and Clause 201.2 of this particular standard.

IEC 60601-1-2:2007 applies as modified in Clause 202. IEC 60601-1-3 and IEC 60601-1-10² do not apply. All other published collateral standards in the IEC 60601-1 series apply as published.

¹ The general standard is IEC 60601-1:2005/A1:2012, *Medical electrical equipment – Part 1: General requirements for basic safety and essential performance*.

² IEC 60601-1-10:2007, *Medical electrical equipment – Part 1-10: General requirements for basic safety and essential performance – Collateral Standard: Requirements for the development of physiologic closed-loop controllers*

201.1.4 Particular standards

Replacement:

In the IEC 60601 series, particular standards may modify, replace or delete requirements contained in the general standard and collateral standards as appropriate for the particular ME EQUIPMENT under consideration, and may add other BASIC SAFETY and ESSENTIAL PERFORMANCE requirements.

A requirement of a particular standard takes priority over the general standard.

For brevity, IEC 60601-1 is referred to in this particular standard as the general standard. Collateral standards are referred to by their document number.

The numbering of clauses and subclauses of this particular standard corresponds to that of the general standard with the prefix “201” (e.g. 201.1 in this standard addresses the content of Clause 1 of the general standard) or applicable collateral standard with the prefix “20x” where x is the final digit(s) of the collateral standard document number (e.g. 202.4 in this particular standard addresses the content of Clause 4 of the IEC 60601-1-2 collateral standard, 203.4 in this particular standard addresses the content of Clause 4 of the IEC 60601-1-3 collateral standard, etc.). The changes to the text of the general standard are specified by the use of the following words:

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Subclauses, figures or tables which are additional to those of a collateral standard are numbered starting from 20x, where “x” is the number of the collateral standard, e.g. 202 for IEC 60601-1-2, 203 for IEC 60601-1-3, etc.

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201.2 Normative references

Clause 2 of the general standard applies, except as follows:

Replacement:

IEC 60601-1-2:2007, *Medical electrical equipment – Part 1-2: General requirements for basic safety and essential performance – Collateral standard: Electromagnetic compatibility – Requirements and tests*

Addition:

IEC 60601-1:2005, *Medical electrical equipment – Part 1: General requirements for basic safety and essential performance*
Amendment 1:2012

IEC 60601-2-5:2009, *Medical electrical equipment – Part 2-5: Particular requirements for the basic safety and essential performance of ultrasonic physiotherapy equipment*

IEC 61846:1998, *Ultrasonics – Pressure pulse lithotripters: Characterization of fields*

201.3 Terms and definitions

NOTE An index of defined terms is found beginning on page 20.

For the purpose of this document, the terms and definitions given in IEC 60601-1:2005/A1:2012 apply, except as follows:

Additional definitions:

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201.3.201

ENERGY FLUX DENSITY

derived pulse-intensity integral as defined in 3.4 and 7.3.2 of IEC 61846 at the position of the FOCUS

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201.3.202

ENERGY PER PULSE

derived acoustic pulse energy as defined in 7.3.4 of IEC 61846

Note 1 to entry: The temporal integration limits (3.23 of IEC 61846) and the radius R of the chosen circular cross section area shall be stated in order to allow for proper interpretation of the values.

201.3.203

EXTRACORPOREALLY INDUCED LITHOTRIPSY

LITHOTRIPSY inside the PATIENT by pressure pulses generated outside the PATIENT

201.3.204

FOCAL VOLUME

volume in space contained within the surface defined by the –6 dB isobar of the maximum peak compressional acoustic pressure

201.3.205

LITHOTRIPSY

comminution or fragmentation of calculi

201.3.206

LITHOTRIPSY EQUIPMENT

ME-EQUIPMENT intended to be used for LITHOTRIPSY treatment

201.3.207

* LOCALIZATION DEVICE

device used to determine the position of the calculi in (three-dimensional) space

201.3.208

POSITIONING DEVICE

device which brings the calculi into coincidence with the TARGET LOCATION

Note 1 to entry: See also IEC 61846:1998, 3.22, TARGET LOCATION.

201.3.209

PRESSURE PULSE

acoustic wave emitted by the LITHOTRIPSY EQUIPMENT

[SOURCE: IEC 61846, definition 3.18 and Clause C.4]

201.3.210

PRESSURE PULSE COUPLING

any means allowing transition of the PRESSURE PULSE from the ME EQUIPMENT into the PATIENT

201.3.211

TARGET MARKER

marker which is used to indicate the TARGET LOCATION

EXAMPLE A marker on the imaging device.

Note 1 to entry: See also IEC 61846:1998, 3.22, TARGET LOCATION.

201.4 General requirements

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Clause 4 of the general standard applies, except as follows:

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201.4.3.101 Additional requirements for ESSENTIAL PERFORMANCE

The ME EQUIPMENT shall be free from incorrect display of energy levels (see 201.12.1.102).

The ME EQUIPMENT shall be free from unintended shock wave release (see 201.12.4.6).

201.4.7 SINGLE FAULT CONDITION for ME EQUIPMENT

Addition:

Safety in SINGLE FAULT CONDITION of the PRESSURE PULSE release (avoiding faulty release) and safety in SINGLE FAULT CONDITION in motor supported positioning (to avoid unintentional changes of position during PRESSURE PULSE release and mechanical danger) shall be ensured. These requirements may be met by mutually interlocking the two systems, e.g. by mutually interlocking the PRESSURE PULSE release with a SINGLE FAULT CONDITION secured positioning device, or by mutually interlocking the POSITIONING DEVICE with a SINGLE FAULT CONDITION secured PRESSURE PULSE release. This mutual interlocking may be overridden by a deliberate action of the OPERATOR, for example by pressing a separate switch, if the position of the calculus is monitored.

Compliance is checked by functional testing and fault analysis.

201.5 General requirements for testing ME EQUIPMENT

Clause 5 of the general standard applies.

201.6 Classification of ME EQUIPMENT and ME SYSTEMS

Clause 6 of the general standard applies.

201.7 ME EQUIPMENT identification, marking and documents

Clause 7 of the general standard applies, except as follows:

201.7.9.2 Instructions for use

Addition:

201.7.9.2.101 Additional instructions for use

The instructions for use shall also include:

- a) description of the relevant safety precautions to be used to avoid HAZARDOUS SITUATIONS, e.g. the danger resulting from delivering PRESSURE PULSES to organs which contain gas;
- b) caution that PRESSURE PULSES may cause unwanted cardiac activity;
- c) when using ECG monitoring equipment to trigger the generation of the PRESSURE PULSE, only those ECG monitors specified by the MANUFACTURER of the ME EQUIPMENT shall be used;
- d) caution that the OPERATOR shall check the position of the calculi as often as necessary to ensure proper treatment;
- e) description of the schedule and measures to be performed within the scope of a regular performance check;
- f) description concerning the correct use of the PRESSURE PULSE COUPLING including a reminder that it shall be free of bubbles;
- g) reminder that the PRESSURE PULSE is attenuated during passage through tissue, and that additional energy is absorbed by bone;
- h) reminder that, even if anti-collision devices are installed, the OPERATOR shall always watch for any movements that may cause danger to the PATIENT or OPERATOR.

201.7.9.3 * Technical description

Addition:

201.7.9.3.101 Additional technical description

The technical description for use shall also include:

- a) positional precision of the TARGET MARKER with respect to the TARGET LOCATION;
- b) position and size of the FOCAL VOLUME at minimum, typical and maximum shockwave generator output settings with respect to the TARGET LOCATION, stating the positions of the -6 dB pressure values along the shockwave source axis and perpendicular to the shock wave axis at the position of the FOCUS (See Annex BB);
- c) peak compressional and rarefactional acoustic pressures at the minimum, typical and maximum output settings;
- d) ENERGY FLUX DENSITY at the minimum, typical and maximum output settings, including the specification of the temporal integration limits;
- e) ENERGY PER PULSE including the specification of the temporal integration limits and the radius R of the chosen circular cross section area at the minimum, typical and maximum output settings.