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## Foreword

The text of document 62B/727/FDIS, future edition 3 of IEC 60601-2-44, prepared by SC 62B, Diagnostic imaging equipment, of IEC TC 62, Electrical equipment in medical practice, was submitted to the IEC-CENELEC parallel vote and was approved by CENELEC as EN 60601-2-44 on 2009-05-01.

This European Standard supersedes EN 60601-2-44:2001 + A1:2003.

EN 60601-2-44:2009 constitutes a technical revision primarily related to RADIATION protection and control.

The following dates were fixed:

- latest date by which the EN has to be implemented at national level by publication of an identical national standard or by endorsement (dop) 2010-02-01
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This European Standard has been prepared under a mandate given to CENELEC by the European Commission and the European Free Trade Association and covers essential requirements of EC Directive MDD (93/42/EEC). See Annex ZZ.

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- TERMS DEFINED IN CLAUSE 3 OF THE GENERAL STANDARD, IN THIS PARTICULAR STANDARD OR AS NOTED: SMALL CAPITALS.

In referring to the structure of this standard, the term

- “clause” means one of the seventeen numbered divisions within the table of contents, inclusive of all subdivisions (e.g. Clause 7 includes subclauses 7.1, 7.2, etc.);
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In this standard, the conjunctive “or” is used as an “inclusive or” so a statement is true if any combination of the conditions is true.

The verbal forms used in this standard conform to usage described in Annex H of the ISO/IEC Directives, Part 2. For the purposes of this standard, the auxiliary verb:

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

Annexes ZA and ZZ have been added by CENELEC.

### Endorsement notice

The text of the International Standard IEC 60601-2-44:2009 was approved by CENELEC as a European Standard without any modification.

In the official version, for Bibliography, the following notes have to be added for the standards indicated:

IEC 60601-2-7	NOTE	Harmonized as EN 60601-2-7:1998 (not modified).
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IEC 60613	NOTE	Harmonized as EN 60613:1990 (not modified).

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## Annex ZA (normative)

### Normative references to international publications with their corresponding European publications

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.

NOTE When an international publication has been modified by common modifications, indicated by (mod), the relevant EN/HD applies.

*Annex ZA of EN 60601-1:2006 applies, except as follows:*

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IEC 60601-1-3	2008	Medical electrical equipment - Part 1-3: General requirements for basic safety and essential performance - Collateral standard: Radiation protection in diagnostic X-ray equipment	EN 60601-1-3	2008
<b>Addition:</b>				
IEC 60601-1	2005	Medical electrical equipment - Part 1: General requirements for basic safety and essential performance	EN 60601-1	2006
IEC 61223-3-5	2004	Evaluation and routine testing in medical imaging departments - Part 3-5: Acceptance tests - Imaging performance of computed tomography X-ray equipment	EN 61223-3-5	2004
ISO 12052	- <sup>1)</sup>	Health informatics - Digital imaging and communication in medicine (DICOM) including workflow and data management	-	-

<sup>1)</sup> Undated reference.

**Annex ZZ**  
(informative)

**Coverage of Essential Requirements of EC Directives**

This European Standard has been prepared under a mandate given to CENELEC by the European Commission and the European Free Trade Association and within its scope the standard covers all relevant essential requirements as given in Annex I of the EC Directive 93/42/EEC.

Compliance with this standard provides one means of conformity with the specified essential requirements of the Directive concerned.

WARNING: Other requirements and other EC Directives may be applicable to the products falling within the scope of this standard.

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## MEDICAL ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT –

**Part 2-44: Particular requirements for the basic safety and essential performance of X-ray equipment for computed tomography**

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

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A list of all parts of the IEC 60601 series, published under the general title *Medical electrical equipment*, can be found on the IEC website.

The committee has decided that the contents of this particular standard will remain unchanged until the maintenance result date indicated on the IEC web site under "<http://webstore.iec.ch>" in the data related to the specific publication. At this date, the publication will be

- reconfirmed,
- withdrawn,
- replaced by a revised edition, or
- amended.

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## MEDICAL ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT –

### Part 2-44: Particular requirements for the basic safety and essential performance of X-ray equipment for computed tomography

#### 201.1 Scope, object and related standards

Clause 1 of the general standard<sup>1)</sup> applies, except as follows:

##### 201.1.1 Scope

*Replacement:*

This International Standard applies to the BASIC SAFETY and ESSENTIAL PERFORMANCE of CT SCANNERS, hereafter also referred to as ME EQUIPMENT.

If a clause or subclause is specifically intended to be applicable to ME EQUIPMENT only, or to ME SYSTEMS only, the title and content of that clause or subclause will say so. If that is not the case, the clause or subclause applies both to ME EQUIPMENT and to ME SYSTEMS, as relevant.

NOTE 1 See also 4.2 of the general standard.

The scope of this document is limited to CT SCANNERS intended to be used for both head and body characterised by an ENCLOSURE of the X-ray source(s) and imaging detector(s) in a common protective cover in the shape of a toroid. It includes safety requirements for the X-RAY GENERATORS used in CT SCANNERS, including those where HIGH-VOLTAGE GENERATORS are integrated with an X-RAY TUBE ASSEMBLY.

NOTE 2 Requirements for X-RAY GENERATORS and for ASSOCIATED EQUIPMENT, which were previously specified in IEC 60601-2-7 and IEC 60601-2-32, have been included in either IEC 60601-1:2005 (Ed3) or this edition of IEC 60601-2-44. Therefore IEC 60601-2-7 and IEC 60601-2-32 are not part of the 3<sup>rd</sup> edition scheme for COMPUTED TOMOGRAPHY.

##### 201.1.2 Object

*Replacement:*

The object of this particular standard is to establish particular BASIC SAFETY and ESSENTIAL PERFORMANCE requirements for CT SCANNERS as defined in 201.3.201, to ensure safety, and to specify methods for demonstrating compliance with those requirements, for CT SCANNERS.

NOTE 1 Requirements for reproducibility, linearity, constancy and accuracy are given because of their relationship to the quality and quantity of the IONIZING RADIATION produced and are confined to those considered necessary for safety.

NOTE 2 Both the levels for compliance and the tests prescribed to determine compliance reflect the fact that the safety of HIGH-VOLTAGE GENERATORS is not sensitive to small differences in levels of performance. The combinations of LOADING FACTORS specified for the tests are therefore limited in number but chosen from experience as being appropriate in most cases. It is considered important to standardize the choice of combinations of LOADING FACTORS so that comparison can be made between tests performed in different places on different occasions. However, combinations other than those specified could be of equal technical validity.

NOTE 3 The safety philosophy on which this standard is based is described in the introduction to the general standard and in IEC TR 60513.

<sup>1)</sup> IEC 60601-1:2005, *Medical electrical equipment – Part 1: General requirements for basic safety and essential performance*.

NOTE 4 Concerning RADIOLOGICAL PROTECTION, it is assumed that MANUFACTURERS and RESPONSIBLE ORGANIZATIONS accept the general principles of justification, optimisation, and application of dose limits of the International Commission on Radiological Protection as stated in ICRP 103, 2007, paragraph 203, [12]<sup>2)</sup> namely:

(a) "The principle of justification: Any decision that alters the RADIATION exposure situation should do more good than harm."

(b) "The principle of optimisation of protection: The likelihood of incurring exposures, the number of people exposed, and the magnitude of their individual doses should all be kept as low as reasonably achievable, taking into account economic and societal factors."

(c) "The principle of application of dose limits: The total dose to any individual from regulated sources in planned exposure situations other than medical exposure of PATIENTS should not exceed the appropriate limits recommended by the Commission."

(d) "Application of dose limits for the PATIENT dose might be to the PATIENT'S detriment. Therefore dose limits should not be applied to medical exposures. However, considerations should be given to the use of dose constraints or investigation levels for some common diagnostic procedures. This concept, now renamed as diagnostic reference levels, has been introduced in a large number of countries."

NOTE 5 It is recognized that many of the judgements necessary to follow the ICRP general principles have to be made by the RESPONSIBLE ORGANIZATIONS and not by the MANUFACTURER of the ME EQUIPMENT.

### 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 60601-1-3 applies as modified in Clause 203. IEC 60601-1-8, IEC 60601-1-9 and IEC 60601-1-10<sup>3)</sup> do not apply. All other published collateral standards in the IEC 60601-1 series apply as published.

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### 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 numbers.

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 60601-1-2 collateral standard, 203.4 in this particular standard addresses the content of Clause 4 of the 60601-1-3 collateral standard, etc.). The changes to the text of the general standard are specified by the use of the following words:

<sup>2)</sup> Figures in square brackets refer to the Bibliography.

<sup>3)</sup> IEC 60601-1-10, *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*

"Replacement" means that the clause or subclause of the general standard or applicable collateral standard is replaced completely by the text of this particular standard.

"Addition" means that the text of this particular standard is additional to the requirements of the general standard or applicable collateral standard.

"Amendment" means that the clause or subclause of the general standard or applicable collateral standard is amended as indicated by the text of this particular standard.

Subclauses, figures or tables which are additional to those of the general standard are numbered starting from 201.101. However, due to the fact that definitions in the general standard are numbered 3.1 through 3.139, additional definitions in this standard are numbered beginning from 201.3.201. Additional annexes are lettered AA, BB, etc., and additional items aa), bb), etc.

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.

The term "this standard" is used to make reference to the general standard, any applicable collateral standards and this particular standard taken together.

Where there is no corresponding section, clause or subclause in this particular standard, the section, clause or subclause of the general standard or applicable collateral standard, although possibly not relevant, applies without modification; where it is intended that any parts of the general standard or applicable collateral standard, although possibly relevant, is not to be applied, a statement to that effect is given in this particular standard.

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## 201.2 Normative references

NOTE Informative references are listed in the bibliography beginning on page 41.

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

### *Replacement:*

IEC 60601-1-3:2008, *Medical electrical equipment – Part 1-3: General requirements for basic safety and essential performance – Collateral Standard: Radiation protection in diagnostic X-ray equipment*

### *Addition:*

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

IEC 61223-3-5, *Evaluation and routine testing in medical imaging departments – Part 3-5: Acceptance tests – Imaging performance of computed tomography X-ray equipment*

ISO 12052, *Health informatics – Digital imaging and communication in medicine (DICOM) including workflow and data management*

## 201.3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in IEC 60601-1:2005, IEC 60601-1-3:2008 and IEC 60788:2004 apply, except as follows: