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INTRODUCTION

This particular standard concerns the BASIC SAFETY and ESSENTIAL PERFORMANCE of MULTIFUNCTION PATIENT MONITORS. It amends and supplements IEC 60601-1:2005 and IEC 60601-1:2005/AMD1:2012, *Medical electrical equipment – Part 1: General requirements for basic safety and essential performance*, hereinafter referred to as the general standard.

The aim of this edition is to bring this particular standard up to date with reference to the edition 3.1 of the general standard and new versions of collateral standards and amendments thereto through technical changes.

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

A "Particular guidance and rationale" for the 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, this Annex AA does not form part of the requirements of this document.

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Part 2-49: Particular requirements for the basic safety and essential performance of multifunction patient monitors

201.1 Scope, object and related standards

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

201.1.1 * Scope

Replacement:

This part of the 80601 International Standard applies to BASIC SAFETY and ESSENTIAL PERFORMANCE requirements of MULTIFUNCTION PATIENT MONITORS as defined in 201.3.201, hereafter referred to as ME EQUIPMENT or MEDICAL ELECTRICAL SYSTEMS. This particular standard applies to MULTIFUNCTION PATIENT MONITORS intended for use in professional healthcare facilities as well as in the EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE ENVIRONMENT or the HOME HEALTHCARE ENVIRONMENT.

The scope of this document is restricted to ME EQUIPMENT or MEDICAL ELECTRICAL SYSTEMS intended for connection to a single PATIENT that has two or more PHYSIOLOGICAL MONITORING UNITS.

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NOTE For purposes of this document, a pregnant mother and her fetus(es) are considered a single PATIENT.

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This document does not specify requirements for individual PHYSIOLOGICAL MONITORING UNITS such as ECG, invasive pressure and pulse oximetry. The particular standards related to these PHYSIOLOGICAL MONITORING UNITS specify requirements from the perspective of stand-alone ME EQUIPMENT. This particular standard addresses the additional requirements related to MULTIFUNCTION PATIENT MONITORS. MULTIFUNCTION PATIENT MONITORS can be integrated into other ME EQUIPMENT or MEDICAL ELECTRICAL SYSTEMS. When this is the case, other relevant standards also apply.

EXAMPLE 1 MULTIFUNCTION PATIENT MONITOR incorporated into a critical care ventilator where ISO 80601-2-12 also applies.

EXAMPLE 2 MULTIFUNCTION PATIENT MONITOR incorporated into a homecare ventilator for dependent PATIENT where ISO 80601-2-72 also applies.

EXAMPLE 3 MULTIFUNCTION PATIENT MONITOR incorporated into anesthetic workstation where ISO 80601-2-13 also applies.

EXAMPLE 4 MULTIFUNCTION PATIENT MONITOR incorporated into haemodialysis equipment, IEC 60601-2-16 also applies.

This document does not apply to implantable parts of MULTIFUNCTION PATIENT MONITORS.

201.1.2 Object

Replacement:

The object of this particular standard is to establish BASIC SAFETY and ESSENTIAL PERFORMANCE requirements for MULTIFUNCTION PATIENT MONITORS as defined in 201.3.201.

¹ The general standard is IEC 60601-1:2005 and IEC 60601-1:2005/AMD1:2012, *Medical electrical equipment – Part 1: General requirements for basic safety and essential performance.*

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 60601-1-2:2014, IEC 60601-1-6:2010 and IEC 60601-1-6:2010/AMD1:2013, as well as IEC 60601-1-8:2006 and IEC 60601-1-8:2006/AMD1:2012 apply as modified in Clauses 202, 206 and 208 respectively. IEC 60601-1-3 and IEC 60601-1-9 do not apply. All other published collateral standards in the IEC 60601-1 series apply as published.

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 MULTIFUNCTION PATIENT MONITORS 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 60601-1:2005 and IEC 60601-1:2005/AMD1:2012 are 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 document 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, 208.6 in this particular standard addresses the content of Clause 6 of the IEC 60601-1-8 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 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 3.147, additional definitions in this document 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, 208 for IEC 60601-1-8, etc.

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

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201.2 Normative references

NOTE Informative references are listed in the bibliography beginning on page 38.

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

Replacement:

IEC 60601-1-2:2014, *Medical electrical equipment – Part 1-2: General requirements for basic safety and essential performance – Collateral Standard: Electromagnetic disturbances – Requirements and tests*

IEC 60601-1-6:2010, *Medical electrical equipment – Part 1-6: General requirements for basic safety and essential performance – Collateral standard: Usability*
IEC 60601-1-6:2010/AMD1:2013

IEC 60601-1-8:2006, *Medical electrical equipment – Part 1-8: General requirements for basic safety and essential performance – Collateral standard: General requirements, tests and guidance for alarm systems in medical electrical equipment and medical electrical systems*
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Addition:

IEC 60601-1:2005, *Medical electrical equipment – Part 1: General requirements for basic safety and essential performance*
IEC 60601-1:2005/AMD1:2012

IEC 60601-1-11:2015, *Medical electrical equipment – Part 1-11: General requirements for basic safety and essential performance – Collateral Standard: Requirements for medical electrical equipment and medical electrical systems used in the home healthcare environment*

IEC 60601-1-12:2014, *Medical electrical equipment – Part 1-12: General requirements for basic safety and essential performance – Collateral Standard: Requirements for medical electrical equipment and medical electrical systems intended for use in the emergency medical services environment*

IEC 60601-2-2:2017, *Medical electrical equipment – Part 2-2: Particular requirements for the basic safety and essential performance of high frequency surgical equipment and high frequency surgical accessories*

IEC 60601-2-27:2011, *Medical electrical equipment – Part 2-27, Particular requirements for the basic safety and essential performance of electrocardiographic monitoring equipment*

IEC 60601-2-34:2011, *Medical electrical equipment – Part 2-34, Particular requirements for the basic safety and essential performance of invasive blood pressure monitoring equipment*

201.3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in IEC 60601-1, IEC 60601-1-2, IEC 60601-1-6, IEC 60601-1-8, IEC 60601-2-2, IEC 60601-2-27, IEC 60601-2-34 and the following apply.

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NOTE An index of defined terms is found beginning on page 39.

Addition:

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* MULTIFUNCTION PATIENT MONITOR

modular or pre-configured ME EQUIPMENT or MEDICAL ELECTRICAL SYSTEMS whose primary intended function is monitoring of a single PATIENT, has more than one PHYSIOLOGICAL MONITORING UNIT, either displays those information or distributes the information for remote display, and either includes an ALARM SYSTEM or is a component of a DISTRIBUTED ALARM SYSTEM

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part of the MULTIFUNCTION PATIENT MONITOR whose purpose is to collect physiological signal(s) from a single sensor type and to process it for monitoring

EXAMPLE 1 The pulse oximetry signal can provide information about oxygen saturation, pulse rate, perfusion, etc.

EXAMPLE 2 The signals from ECG ELECTRODES can provide information about ECG and thoracic respiration rate.

Note 1 to entry: Examples of physiological signals include (a) electrocardiography, (b) non-invasive blood pressure, (c) invasive blood pressure, (d) pulse oximetry, (e) temperature, (f) electroencephalography, (g) transcutaneous gas analysis, and (h) respiratory gas analysis. Each of these is a single physiological signal within the meaning of this definition.

Note 2 to entry: It is recognized that more than one variable or parameter may be derived from a single physiological signal.

201.4 General requirements

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

201.4.3 ESSENTIAL PERFORMANCE

Additional subclause:

201.4.3.101 Additional ESSENTIAL PERFORMANCE requirements

Additional ESSENTIAL PERFORMANCE requirements for MULTIFUNCTION PATIENT MONITORS are found in subclauses listed in Table 201.101.

Table 201.101 – ESSENTIAL PERFORMANCE requirements

Requirement	Subclause
Displaying data according PRIMARY OPERATING FUNCTIONS	206.101 c)
Determination of ALARM CONDITIONS and assignment of priority	208.6.1.2
Indication of validity of measured values	208.6.3.2.101
or generating a TECHNICAL ALARM CONDITION or failure that is readily identifiable by the OPERATOR ^a	208.6.1.2
^a Examples of failures readily identifiable by the OPERATOR are a completely non-functional MULTIFUNCTION PATIENT MONITOR, a completely non-functional PHYSIOLOGICAL MONITORING UNIT, etc.	

201.4.5 * Alternative RISK CONTROL measures or test methods for ME EQUIPMENT or ME SYSTEMS

Addition before the first paragraph:

When several particular standards simultaneously apply to a MULTIFUNCTION PATIENT MONITOR, all relevant requirements from those standards shall be applied as applicable to BASIC SAFETY and ESSENTIAL PERFORMANCE. If requirements from particular standards are in conflict, the RISK MANAGEMENT PROCESS shall be used to identify which standard's requirement applies. While performing this PROCESS, MANUFACTURERS are strongly recommended to give the requirements of this particular standard additional weight whenever possible.

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201.5 General requirements for testing ME EQUIPMENT

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Clause 5 of the general standard applies, except as follows:

201.5.4 Other conditions

Addition:

If necessary for the purpose of conducting the test, the INTERNAL ELECTRICAL POWER SOURCE may be replaced by an external battery or a DC power supply to provide the necessary test voltage, for tests according to 201.11.8.101.

The values used in test circuits, unless otherwise specified, shall have at least an accuracy as given below:

- resistors: ±1 %;
- capacitors: ±10 %;
- inductors: ±10 %;
- test voltages: ±1 %.

201.6 Classification of ME EQUIPMENT and ME SYSTEMS

Clause 6 of the general standard applies, except as follows:

201.6.2 * Protection against electric shock

Replacement of the last paragraph:

APPLIED PARTS associated with MULTIFUNCTION PATIENT MONITOR shall be classified as TYPE BF or TYPE CF APPLIED PARTS (see 7.2.10 and 8.3 of the general standard). APPLIED PARTS shall be classified as DEFIBRILLATION-PROOF APPLIED PARTS (see 8.5.5 of the general standard), unless other applicable particular standards permit non-DEFIBRILLATION-PROOF APPLIED PARTS for the respective PHYSIOLOGICAL MONITORING UNIT or technical limitations prevent the design of DEFIBRILLATION-PROOF APPLIED PARTS.

201.6.6 Mode of operation

Replacement:

MULTIFUNCTION PATIENT MONITORS shall be classified for CONTINUOUS OPERATION (see 7.2.11).

201.7 ME EQUIPMENT identification, marking and documents

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

201.7.2 Marking on the outside of ME EQUIPMENT or ME EQUIPMENT parts

Additional subclause:

201.7.2.101 Connectors for APPLIED PARTS

Connectors on a MULTIFUNCTION PATIENT MONITOR intended to connect APPLIED PARTS shall be marked to identify the APPLIED PARTS that can be connected.

NOTE Examples of markings are MODEL OR TYPE REFERENCE of the APPLIED PART, function of the APPLIED PART (e.g. ECG, ECG/respiration, SpO₂, temperature, etc.) or color coding.

201.7.9.2.2 Warning and safety notices

Addition:

The instructions for use shall include a warning that defibrillator protection requires use of MANUFACTURER specified APPLIED PARTS, PATIENT CABLES, LEAD WIRES, TRANSDUCERS and ACCESSORIES.

201.7.9.2.9 Operating instructions

Additional subclause:

201.7.9.2.9.101 Additional instructions for use

The instructions for use shall include the following:

- a) that the use of the MULTIFUNCTION PATIENT MONITOR is restricted to one PATIENT at a time;
- b) precautions to take when using a defibrillator on a PATIENT, if APPLIED PARTS not being protected against the effects of defibrillation are being used; a description of how the discharge of a defibrillator affects the MULTIFUNCTION PATIENT MONITOR;
- c) information indicating whether the MULTIFUNCTION PATIENT MONITOR incorporates means to protect the PATIENT against burns when used with HIGH-FREQUENCY (HF) SURGICAL EQUIPMENT and advice regarding the location of ELECTRODES, TRANSDUCERS, etc. to reduce the HAZARDS of burns in the event of a defect in the NEUTRAL ELECTRODE connection of the HF SURGICAL EQUIPMENT;
- d) advice and PROCEDURES regarding testing of the MULTIFUNCTION PATIENT MONITOR and ACCESSORIES on a daily basis (by the clinical OPERATOR).
- e) identification of PHYSIOLOGICAL MONITORING UNIT(S) with which the MULTIFUNCTION PATIENT MONITOR is intended to be used;