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Foreword

This document (EN 15908:2010) has been prepared by Technical Committee CEN/TC 215 “Respiratory and anaesthetic equipment”, the secretariat of which is held by BSI.

This European Standard shall be given the status of a national standard, either by publication of an identical text or by endorsement, at the latest by April 2011, and conflicting national standards shall be withdrawn at the latest by April 2011.

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Requirements for non-interchangeable screw-threaded (NIST) connectors are currently specified in EN ISO 5359:2008. The requirements for NIST connectors in EN 15908 are identical to those currently given in EN ISO 5359:2008 except for:

- the allocation of connector B11 (allocated to carbon dioxide instead to carbon dioxide/oxygen mixture [$\text{CO}_2 > 7\%$ (volume fraction)]);
- the allocation of connector C 19 (allocated to carbon dioxide/oxygen mixture [$\text{CO}_2 > 7\%$ (volume fraction)] instead to carbon dioxide);

It is intended that EN ISO 5359:2008 will be revised so as to delete the requirements for NIST connectors.

The requirements for NIST connectors in EN 15908 are identical to those given in EN 739:1998 (cancelled and replaced by EN ISO 5359:2008) except for:

- the allocations of connectors B11 (allocated to carbon dioxide only);
- the allocation of connector C19 (allocated to carbon dioxide/oxygen mixture [$\text{CO}_2 > 7\%$ (volume fraction)] only);
- the allocation of connector B12 to oxygen-enriched air;
- the allocation of connector B15 to helium/oxygen mixture [$\text{O}_2 < 20\%$ (volume fraction)] only;
- the allocation of connector C20 to helium only.

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Introduction

This European Standard has been prepared in response to the need for a safe method of connecting medical equipment intended to administer medical gases to patients. Medical gases are stored in cylinders or cryogenic vessels, or can be produced on site; several medical devices, e.g. pressure regulators, hose assemblies, flow-metering devices, lung ventilators, anaesthetic workstations can be fitted between the source of supply and the patient. At each interface gas-specific connectors are needed to ensure that the intended medical gas is administered to the patient.

While recognizing that no system is absolutely safe, this European Standard includes those requirements considered necessary to prevent foreseeable hazards arising from the use of connectors. Operators should be continually alert to the possibility of damage being caused by external factors, and therefore regular inspection should be undertaken to ensure that connectors continue to meet the requirements of this European Standard.

The choice of a single system of connectors to be used within the European Union will minimize the risks of cross connections and misconnections and ensure the free movement of medical devices intended to administer medical gases to patients.

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1 Scope

1.1 This European Standard specifies requirements for connectors intended for use with medical gases.

1.2 This European Standard specifies the dimensions and the allocation of non-interchangeable screw-threaded (NIST) connectors intended to be used at nominal operating pressures not greater than 1 400 kPa.

NOTE As stated in EN ISO 5359, gas-specific quick-connectors conforming to EN ISO 9170-1 are considered as an alternative to NIST connectors.

1.3 The information to be supplied by the manufacturer is excluded from the scope of this European Standard because information about the use of NIST connectors is supplied by the manufacturer of each medical device to which the connectors are permanently fitted.

2 Normative references

The following referenced document is 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.

EN ISO 14971, *Medical devices — Application of risk management to medical devices (ISO 14971:2007, Corrected version 2007-10-01)*

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3 Terms and definitions (standards.iteh.ai)

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply.

3.1

gas-specific

having characteristics which prevent interchangeability, thereby allowing assignment to only one gas service or vacuum service

3.2

medical gas

gas or mixture of gases intended to be administered to patients for therapeutic, diagnostic or prophylactic purposes, or for surgical tool applications

NOTE For the purposes of this European Standard, this term includes vacuum, air and nitrogen for driving surgical tools.

3.3

NIST connector

non-interchangeable screw-threaded connector

any of a range of male and female components intended to maintain gas-specificity by the allocation of a set of different diameters and a left-or right-hand screw thread to the mating components for each particular gas

4 General requirements

4.1 Safety

NIST connectors shall, when permanently fitted onto a medical device and operated in normal use and maintained according to the instructions of the manufacturer of the medical device, present no risks that are

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not reduced to an acceptable level by using risk management procedures in accordance with EN ISO 14971 and which are connected with their intended application, in normal condition and in single fault condition.

4.2 Materials

Materials in contact with the medical gases during normal use shall be resistant to corrosion and compatible with oxygen, the other medical gases and their mixtures.

NOTE 1 Corrosion resistance includes resistance against moisture and surrounding materials.

NOTE 2 Compatibility with oxygen involves both combustibility and ease of ignition. Materials which burn in air will burn violently in pure oxygen. Many materials which do not burn in air will do so in pure oxygen, particularly under pressure. Similarly, materials which can be ignited in air require lower ignition energies for ignition in oxygen. Many such materials can be ignited by adiabatic compression produced when oxygen is rapidly introduced into a system initially at low pressure.

NOTE 3 EN ISO 15001 contains information on selection of metallic and non-metallic materials and other aspects of compatibility of equipment with oxygen.

4.3 Design, dimensions and allocation of NIST connectors

Design and dimensions of NIST body, nipple and nut shall comply with Figures 1, 2 and 3 and Tables 2, 3 and 4.

Allocation of NIST connectors shall comply with Table 1.

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Table 1 — NIST connector allocation – Right-hand thread

Connector reference	Gas
A1	Medical air/oxygen mixture
A2	Oxygen/nitrous oxide mixture [O ₂ = 50 % (volume fraction)]
A3	Medical air
A4	Nitrous oxide
A5	Nitrous oxide/oxygen mixtures [N ₂ O < 80 % (volume fraction)]
A6	Air for driving surgical tools
A7	Not allocated
A8	Oxygen
A9	Not allocated
A10	Vacuum
B11	Carbon dioxide
B12	Oxygen-enriched air
B13	Oxygen/carbon dioxide mixture [CO ₂ < 7 % (volume fraction)]
B14	Helium/oxygen mixture [He ≤ 80 % (volume fraction)]
B15	Helium/oxygen mixture [O ₂ < 20 % (volume fraction)]
B16	Xenon
B17	Special gas mixture
B18	Nitrogen for driving surgical tools
C19	Carbon dioxide /oxygen mixture [CO ₂ > 7 % (volume fraction)]
C20	Helium
C21	Medical air/helium/carbon monoxide [CO < 1 % (volume fraction)]
C22	Not allocated
C23	Not allocated
C24	Not allocated
NOTE	Left-hand threads have not been allocated.

Table 2 — Indexing diameters for NIST body (see Figure 1)

Dimensions in millimetres

Connector reference	Dimension B	Dimension C	Dimension D
A1	8	12,5 $\begin{matrix} +0,043 \\ 0 \end{matrix}$	17
A2	8,5		16,5
A3	9 $\begin{matrix} +0,09 \\ 0 \end{matrix}$		16
A4	9,5		15,5
A5	10		15 $\begin{matrix} +0,11 \\ 0 \end{matrix}$
A6	10,5		14,5
A7	11 $\begin{matrix} +0,11 \\ 0 \end{matrix}$		14
A8	11,5		13,5
A9	12		13
A10	12,5 $\begin{matrix} +0,043 \\ 0 \end{matrix}$		12,5 $\begin{matrix} +0,043 \\ 0 \end{matrix}$
B11	7,5	11 $\begin{matrix} +0,043 \\ 0 \end{matrix}$	14,5
B12	8		14
B13	8,5 $\begin{matrix} +0,09 \\ 0 \end{matrix}$		13,5 $\begin{matrix} +0,11 \\ 0 \end{matrix}$
B14	9		13
B15	9,5		12,5
B16	10		12
B17	10,5 $\begin{matrix} +0,11 \\ 0 \end{matrix}$		11,5
B18	11 $\begin{matrix} +0,043 \\ 0 \end{matrix}$		11 $\begin{matrix} +0,043 \\ 0 \end{matrix}$
C19	7,5	10 $\begin{matrix} +0,043 \\ 0 \end{matrix}$	12,5
C20	8 $\begin{matrix} +0,09 \\ 0 \end{matrix}$		12 $\begin{matrix} +0,11 \\ 0 \end{matrix}$
C21	8,5		11,5
C22	9		11
C23	9,5		10,5
C24	10 $\begin{matrix} +0,043 \\ 0 \end{matrix}$		10 $\begin{matrix} +0,043 \\ 0 \end{matrix}$

Table 3 — Indexing diameters for NIST nipple (see Figure 2)

Dimensions in millimetres

Connector reference	Dimension E	Dimension F	Dimension G	Dimension H	Dimension I
A1	17		8		
A2	16,5		8,5 $\begin{matrix} -0,04 \\ -0,13 \end{matrix}$		
A3	16		9		
A4	15,5		9,5		
A5	15		10		
A6	14,5	12,5 $\begin{matrix} -0,05 \\ -0,16 \end{matrix}$	10,5	8,5 $\begin{matrix} 0 \\ -0,10 \end{matrix}$	3,3 $\begin{matrix} 0 \\ -0,20 \end{matrix}$
A7	14		11		
A8	13,5		11,5 $\begin{matrix} -0,05 \\ -0,16 \end{matrix}$		
A9	13		12		
A10	12,5		12,5		
B11	14,5 $\begin{matrix} -0,05 \\ -0,16 \end{matrix}$		7,5		
B12	14		8		
B13	13,5		8,5		
B14	13	11 $\begin{matrix} -0,05 \\ -0,16 \end{matrix}$	9	8,3 $\begin{matrix} 0 \\ -0,10 \end{matrix}$	
B15	12,5		9,5 $\begin{matrix} -0,04 \\ -0,13 \end{matrix}$		
B16	12		10		
B17	11,5		10,5		
B18	11		11 $\begin{matrix} -0,05 \\ -0,16 \end{matrix}$		2,5 $\begin{matrix} 0 \\ -0,20 \end{matrix}$
C19	12,5		7,5		
C20	12		8		
C21	11,5	10 $\begin{matrix} -0,04 \\ -0,13 \end{matrix}$	8,5 $\begin{matrix} -0,04 \\ -0,13 \end{matrix}$	7,3 $\begin{matrix} 0 \\ -0,10 \end{matrix}$	
C22	11		9		
C23	10,5		9,5		
C24	10		10		