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IEC 788	1984	Medical radiology - Terminology	HD 501 S1	1988
ISO 9000-3	1991	Quality management and quality assurance standards Part 3: Guidelines for the application of ISO 9001 to the development, supply and maintenance of software	EN 29000-3	1993
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## MEDICAL ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT –

## Part 1: General requirements for safety –

4. Collateral Standard:  
Programmable electrical medical systems

## FOREWORD

- 1) The IEC (International Electrotechnical Commission) is a worldwide organization for standardization comprising all national electrotechnical committees (IEC National Committees). The object of the IEC is to promote international co-operation on all questions concerning standardization in the electrical and electronic fields. To this end and in addition to other activities, the IEC publishes International Standards. Their preparation is entrusted to technical committees; any IEC National Committee interested in the subject dealt with may participate in this preparatory work. International, governmental and non-governmental organizations liaising with the IEC also participate in this preparation. The IEC collaborates closely with the International Organization for Standardization (ISO) in accordance with conditions determined by agreement between the two organizations.
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The text of this Collateral Standard is based on the following documents:

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Full information on the voting for the approval of this Collateral Standard can be found in the report on voting indicated in the above table.

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Subclauses and figures which are additional to those of the General Standard are numbered starting from 201; additional annexes are lettered AAA, BBB, etc., and additional items aaa), bbb), etc.

Annex AAA forms an integral part of this Collateral Standard.

Annexes BBB, CCC, DDD, EEE and FFF are for information only.

In this Collateral Standard, the following print types are used:

- requirements, compliance with which can be tested, and definitions: roman type;
- explanations, advice, general statements, exceptions and references: smaller type;
- *test specifications and headings of subclauses: italic type;*
- TERMS DEFINED IN CLAUSE 2 OF THE GENERAL STANDARD OR OF IEC 601-1-1 OR OF THIS COLLATERAL STANDARD OR IN IEC 788: SMALL CAPITALS.

The requirements are followed by specifications for the relevant tests.

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## INTRODUCTION

Computers are increasingly used in MEDICAL ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT, often in critical-safety roles. The use of computing technologies in MEDICAL ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT introduces a level of complexity which is exceeded only by the biological systems of the PATIENTS the MEDICAL ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT is intended to diagnose and/or treat. This complexity means that systematic failures can escape practical accepted limits of testing. Accordingly, this safety standard goes beyond traditional testing and assessment of the finished MEDICAL ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT and includes requirements for the processes by which the MEDICAL ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT is developed. Testing of the finished product is not, by itself, adequate to address the SAFETY of complex MEDICAL ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT.

This standard is a Collateral Standard to the General Standard. It requires that a process be followed and that a record of that process be produced to support the SAFETY of MEDICAL ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT incorporating PROGRAMMABLE ELECTRONIC SUBSYSTEMS. The concepts of RISK management and a DEVELOPMENT LIFE-CYCLE that are the basis of this standard can also be of value in the development of MEDICAL ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT that does not include a PROGRAMMABLE ELECTRONIC SUBSYSTEM.

The effective application of the standard will require, subject to the task in hand, competency in the following:

- application of the specific MEDICAL ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT with emphasis on SAFETY considerations;
- MEDICAL ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT development process;
- methods by which SAFETY INTEGRITY is assured;
- techniques of RISK analysis and RISK control.

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**MEDICAL ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT –**  
**Part 1: General requirements for safety –**  
**4. Collateral Standard:**  
**Programmable electrical medical systems**

SECTION 1: GENERAL

**1 Scope, object and relationship to other standards**

**1.201 Scope**

This Collateral Standard applies to the SAFETY of MEDICAL ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT and MEDICAL ELECTRICAL SYSTEMS incorporating PROGRAMMABLE ELECTRONIC SUBSYSTEMS (PESS), hereinafter referred to as PROGRAMMABLE ELECTRICAL MEDICAL SYSTEMS (PEMS).

NOTE - Some systems which incorporate software and are used for medical purposes fall outside the scope of this Collateral Standard, e.g. many medical informatics systems. The distinguishing factor/criterion is whether or not the system satisfies the definition of MEDICAL ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT in 2.2.15 of IEC 601-1 or the definition of MEDICAL ELECTRICAL SYSTEM in 2.203 of IEC 601-1-1.

**1.202 Object**

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This Collateral Standard specifies requirements for the process by which a PEMS is designed. This Collateral Standard also serves as the basis of requirements of Particular Standards, including serving as a guide to SAFETY requirements for the purpose of reducing and managing RISK. This Collateral Standard is addressed to:

- a) certification bodies;
- b) MANUFACTURERS;
- c) writers of Particular Standards.

This standard covers:

- d) requirement specification;
- e) architecture;
- f) detailed design and implementation including software development;
- g) modification;
- h) VERIFICATION and VALIDATION;
- j) marking and ACCOMPANYING DOCUMENTS.

Aspects not covered by this standard include:

- k) hardware manufacturing;
- l) software replication;
- m) installation and commissioning;
- n) operation and maintenance;
- o) decommissioning.

**1.203 Relationship to other standards**

**1.203.1 IEC 601-1**

For MEDICAL ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT, this Collateral Standard complements IEC 601-1 and its amendments.