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## 61 **European foreword**

62 This document (prEN 50059:2016) has been prepared by CLC/TC 204 "Safety of electrostatic painting and  
63 finishing equipment".

64 This document is currently submitted to the Enquiry.

65 The following dates are proposed:

- latest date by which the existence of (doa) dor + 6 months  
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- latest date by which this document has to be (dop) dor + 12 months  
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endorsement
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be withdrawn modified when voting)

66 This document will supersede EN 50059:1990.

67 The significant changes with respect to EN 50059:1990 are as listed below:

- 68 — modification of the title of the standard;
- 69 — extension of introduction;
- 70 — extension of normative references;
- 71 — extension of terms and definitions;
- 72 — new arrangement, amendment and complement of the requirements for hand-held spraying equipment  
73 for non-ignitable liquid coating materials;
- 74 — definition of requirements for safety functions;
- 75 — new arrangement amendment and complement of tests for hand-held spraying equipment for non-  
76 ignitable liquid coating materials;
- 77 — new arrangement and extension of the information for use;
- 78 — definition of requirements for repeated tests;
- 79 — introduction of the normative Annex A "Test of a discharge with the peak current value  $I_{C(p)}$  and the  
80 pulse duration  $t_i$  (type test)";
- 81 — introduction of the informative Annex B "Example for discharge test";
- 82 — introduction of the informative Annex C "Ignitability of water-based paints";
- 83 — introduction of the informative Annex D "Quality assurance systems for electrostatic spraying  
84 equipment";
- 85 — introduction of the informative Annex ZZ "Coverage of Essential Requirements of EC directives.

## 86 **0 Introduction**

### 87 **0.1 Process**

88 During the electrostatic coating process the non-ignitable coating material is transported from a reservoir to  
89 an applicator where it is atomised by mechanical forces and by the influence of an electric field. The coating  
90 material is charged by high voltage of some 10 kV and a spray cloud is generated. The charged  
91 parts/droplets of the coating materials are attracted by and applied to the earthed workpiece.

92 Parts/droplets of the coating material, which are not applied to the workpiece (overspray) are removed by a  
93 suction device or by other means.

94 After the coating process the coated workpieces are introduced into a dryer or oven where a dry film of  
95 coating material is generated.

### 96 **0.2 Fire hazards**

97 **0.2.1** Fire hazards can be caused by deposits of coating materials inside the spray booth, exhaust air  
98 ducts, the recovery system for coating materials, and filters. During operation, malfunctions or electrical  
99 faults may cause ignition of these residues. This is especially true for spray booths where electrostatic  
100 coating takes place. The fast propagation of the fire leads to hazards also in adjacent areas.

101 **0.2.2** Particular attention should be paid to the prevention of electrostatic charges on different surfaces,  
102 which are in the vicinity of the spray cloud. This could apply to workpieces during the coating process or the  
103 reciprocating devices and the mounting parts of the spraying system, etc.

104 **0.2.3** When spraying non-ignitable coating material, the formation of an explosive atmosphere is not likely  
105 to occur. Electrostatic application equipment for ignitable coating materials are covered by EN 50050-1,  
106 EN 50050-2 and EN 50050-3.

### 107 **0.3 Electric hazards**

108 **0.3.1** Electric shock (by direct or indirect contact) can be generated, for instance, by contact with

- 109 – live parts, which are not insulated for operational reasons,
- 110 – conductive parts, which are not connected to dangerous voltage during normal operation, but only in  
111 case of failure,
- 112 – insulated live parts with insufficient or damaged insulation due to external impact.

113 **0.3.2** Inadequate earthing may occur, for instance, due to

- 114 – faulty connections to the protective earthing system,
- 115 – a too high resistance to earth (e.g. contamination by coating materials).

116 **0.3.3** Hazards could occur, for instance, if hazardous malfunctions (e.g. shortcut of electronic safety  
117 circuits) occur due to interferences of the electrostatic high voltage equipment and the components of the  
118 control and safety systems.

119 **0.3.4** Hazardous electrostatic discharges could be generated, for instance, by non-earthed conductive  
120 components or by large insulating surfaces, especially if they are backed with conductive material.

121 **0.3.5** Ventricular fibrillation is the primary risk of electric shock. The undercut of the current limit and the  
122 fibrillation limits are proven by current and time measurement. In this standard,  $I_{ef}$  is used as a measure for  
123 falling below the current limit and the fibrillation limits. It is comparable to the amount of current  $I_x t$  or the  
124 specific fibrillation energy  $I^2 x t$  in accordance with IEC/TS 60479-1 and IEC/TS 60479-2. A power limit as  
125 given in the standards EN 50176, EN 50177, EN 50223 and EN 50348 is not applicable in this standard due  
126 to the characteristics of the equipment and the resulting hazard of electric current.

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127 **0.3.6** Permanent flow through the body with direct current may lead to warming of body parts (reversible  
128 burns?). Beginning and interruption of current flow can be harmful and cause crampy muscle contractions.

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## 129 1 Scope

130 1.1 This European Standard specifies the requirements for hand-held or hand-operated electrostatic  
131 spraying equipment for non-ignitable liquid coating materials which

132 — do not generate an explosive atmosphere inside the spraying area;

133 — are used to process materials with a conductivity of less than 2000  $\mu\text{S}/\text{cm}$ ;

134 — operate with direct current having a sinusoidal ripple of not more than 10 % of the rms value.

135 This European Standard deals with all electrical hazards significant for the electrostatic spraying of non-  
136 ignitable liquid coating materials, which could also contain small quantities of added metal particles, if  
137 the work is carried out under conditions recommended by the manufacturer.

138 This European Standard specifies the design-related and test requirements for electrostatic spraying  
139 equipment of type A-NL according to Table 1 of EN 50348:2010.

140 1.2 With regard to all other significant hazards relevant for applicators (e.g. ejection of fluids, mechanical  
141 strength, electrical (apart from electrostatic) hazards, noise, contact with or inhalation of dangerous  
142 substances, ergonomics) the requirements of EN 1953 applies.

143 1.3 This European Standard also gives details regarding quality assurance systems for electrostatic  
144 spraying equipment, see Annex D.

145 1.4 For electrostatic spraying equipment used in food and pharmaceutical industry, additional  
146 requirements may apply.

147 1.5 This European Standard does not apply to

148 — electrostatic hand-held spraying equipment for non-ignitable coating materials which are placed on the  
149 market before the date of publication of this European Standard

150 — cleaning of spraying areas, see instruction manual of the spraying booth,

151 — fire prevention and protection [for instance fire hazards due to other sources; see EN 12215, EN 12981],

152 — requirements for machinery for the supply and recirculation of coating material under pressure  
153 [see EN 12621].

154 The requirements of EN 12621 apply for specific requirements for machinery for the supply and recirculation  
155 of coating materials under pressure.

## 156 2 Normative references

157 The following documents, in whole or in part, are normatively referenced in this document and are  
158 indispensable for its application. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references,  
159 the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

160 EN 1149-5, *Protective clothing – Electrostatic properties – Part 5: Material performance and design*  
161 *requirements*

162 EN 1953, *Atomising and spraying equipment for coating materials – Safety requirements*

163 EN 12215, *Coating plants – Spray booths for application of organic liquid coating materials – Safety*  
164 *requirements*

165 EN 50348:2010, *Stationary electrostatic application equipment for non-ignitable liquid coating material –*  
166 *Safety requirements*

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- 167 EN 60079-7:2007, *Explosive atmospheres – Part 7: Equipment protection by increased safety “e”* (IEC  
168 60079-7:2006)
- 169 EN 60204-1, *Safety of machinery – Electrical equipment of machines – Part 1: General requirements* (IEC  
170 60204-1)
- 171 EN 60529, *Degrees of protection provided by enclosures (IP code)* (IEC 60529)
- 172 EN 62061, *Safety of machinery – Functional safety of safety-related electrical, electronic and programmable  
173 electronic control systems* (IEC 62061)
- 174 EN ISO 12100, *Safety of machinery - General principles for design - Risk assessment and risk reduction  
175 (ISO 12100)*
- 176 EN ISO 13849-1, *Safety of machinery – Safety-related parts of control systems - Part 1: General principles  
177 for design* (ISO 13849-1)
- 178 EN ISO 20344, *Personal protective equipment – Test methods for footwear* (ISO 20344)

### 179 **3 Terms, definitions and symbols**

#### 180 **3.1 Terms and definitions**

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

##### 182 **3.1.1**

##### 183 **hand-held spraying equipment**

184 hand-held or hand-operated equipment for electrostatic coating using non-ignitable liquid coating materials,  
185 generally comprising the following parts:

- 186 — applicator;
- 187 — coating material supply system;
- 188 — control device;
- 189 — high voltage supply system;
- 190 — connecting cable

##### 191 **3.1.2**

##### 192 **connecting cable**

193 electric cable to the applicator or charging device for liquid coating material

##### 194 **3.1.3**

##### 195 **earthing device**

196 device for earthing the electrostatic hand-held spraying equipment permanently

##### 197 **3.1.4**

##### 198 **spraying device**

199 outlet opening for the coating materials

##### 200 **3.1.5**

##### 201 **high voltage electrode**

202 conductive part, which is at high voltage and serves to directly or indirectly charging of the coating material

203 **3.1.6**  
 204 **control device**  
 205 device generally having the following functions:

206 — control of, for instance, the coating material supply system and the control air

207 Note 1 to entry: A combination of the control device and the high voltage supply according to 3.1.8 is possible.

208 **3.1.7**  
 209 **applicator**  
 210 equipment for application of coating materials that comprises the following parts in general:

211 — if applicable, high voltage electrode;

212 — high voltage supply (as far as integrated into the applicator);

213 — housing;

214 — spraying device;

215 — exchangeable attachment parts (e.g. nozzles, extensions, angular pieces, etc.);

216 — if applicable, battery unit (integrated fixedly, or attached)

217 **3.1.8**  
 218 **high voltage supply for applicators**  
 219 high voltage supply comprising the following parts in general:

220 — low voltage section with devices for switching on and off the hand-held spraying equipment and for  
 221 adjustment, control, regulation, limitation and monitoring of current and voltage, as well as the required  
 222 connecting cables;

223 — high voltage generator

224 **3.1.9**  
 225 **spraying area**  
 226 area, closed or not, in which the coating material is applied to the workpiece by the hand-held spraying  
 227 equipment

228 **3.1.10**  
 229 **dangerous discharge**  
 230 discharge which generates a hazard of electric shock

231 **3.1.11**  
 232 **coating material supply system**  
 233 coating material supply system that comprises the following in general:

234 — reservoir for coating materials;

235 — dosing and mixing devices for coating materials;

236 — supply lines for coating materials;

237 — devices for drive, control and monitoring supply of coating materials;

238 — charging device for liquid coating material

239 **3.1.12**  
 240 **workpiece**  
 241 article to which the coating material is applied

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242 **3.1.13**243 **non-ignitable liquid coating materials (coating material)**

244 liquids and varnishes which cannot be ignited by an effective ignition source during spraying

245 Note 1 to entry: A formula for the estimation of ignitability on the basis of the composition of the liquid coating  
 246 material is given in Annex C.

247 **3.1.14**248 **antistatic footwear**

249 footwear that has a resistance to earth via its sole, which is low enough to prevent the build-up of  
 250 electrostatic charges capable to produce an dangerous discharge

251 Note 1 to entry: See EN ISO 20344.

252 Note 2 to entry: A required electric insulating resistance to prevent electric shocks is not contradictory to this  
 253 definition.

254 **3.1.15**255 **antistatic clothes**

256 clothes that have a resistance to earth, which is low enough to prevent the build-up of electrostatic charges  
 257 capable of an dangerous discharge

258 Note 1 to entry: See EN 1149–5.

259 Note 2 to entry: A required electric insulating resistance to prevent electric shocks is not contradictory to this  
 260 definition.

261 **3.1.16**262 **antistatic floor**

263 floor that has a resistance to earth, which is low enough to prevent the build-up of electrostatic charges  
 264 capable to produce an dangerous discharge

265 **3.1.17**266 **accessories**

267 accessories are all devices, components and other equipment, except for 3.1.7 of this standard

268 **3.1.18**269 **repeated test**

270 test of the hand-held spraying equipment, including all accessories, to be carried out at regular intervals

271 **3.2 Symbols**

$U_{\max}$  maximum outlet voltage of the high-voltage generator

$I_{\max}$  maximum outlet current of the high-voltage generator

$I_{B\ rms}$  body current (RMS) flowing from the hand to both feet's

$I_{C\ (p)}$  peak current value of a discharge caused by the hand-held spraying equipment

$t_i$  time period, in which the peak current value  $I_{C(p)}$  is dropped to 5% of its value, but not less than 500 mA

$T$  time constant of a discharge