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IEC 60601-1	2005	Medical electrical equipment - Part 1: General requirements for basic safety and essential performance	EN 60601-1	2006
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IEC 61672-1	2013	Electroacoustics - Sound level meters - Part 1: Specifications	EN 61672-1	2013
IEC 62366-1	2015	Medical devices - Part 1: Application of usability engineering to medical devices	EN 62366-1	2015
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ISO 3744	2010	Acoustics - Determination of sound power levels and sound energy levels of noise sources using sound pressure - Engineering methods for an essentially free field over a reflecting plane	EN ISO 3744	2010
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INTRODUCTION TO AMENDMENT 2

The second edition of IEC 60601-1-8 was published in 2006 and amended in 2012. Since the publication of IEC 60601-1-8:2006+A1:2012, the IEC Subcommittee (SC) 62A Secretariat has been collecting issues from a variety of sources including comments from National Committees. At the November 2015 meeting of IEC/SC 62A in Kobe, Japan, the subcommittee initiated a process to identify high-priority issues that need to be considered in an amendment and should not wait until the third edition of IEC 60601-1-8, which is presently targeted for publication sometime after 2024.

Those issues selected for inclusion on the final "short list" to be addressed in Amendment 2 were those approved by a 2/3 majority of the National Committees present and voting at the Frankfurt meeting of SC 62A. At the meeting held on 10 October 2016, 20 items were presented to the National Committees present. All 20 items received the required 2/3 majority of the National Committees present and voting and have been included in the "short list" for consideration in preparing Amendment 2. All remaining issues have been placed on a "long list" for consideration in the third edition of IEC 60601-1-8.

The "short list" of issues was documented in the design specification for Amendment 2. As IEC 60601-1-8 was jointly developed with ISO/TC 121/SC 3, the work was assigned to IEC/SC 62A-ISO/TC 121/SC 3 Joint Working Group (JWG) 2. JWG 2 was directed to consider each issue described in Clause 6 of the design specification and develop an appropriate solution for the identified problem. That final solution in this amendment can encompass any technical solution proposed by the author of the issue or it can involve a different solution developed by the expert group. The expert group can also have recommended that no change to the standard was justified by the problem statement.

Because this is an amendment to IEC 60601-1-8:2006, the style in force at the time of publication of IEC 60601-1-8 has been applied to this amendment. The style specified in ISO/IEC Directives Part 2:2018 has only been applied when implementing the new style guidance would not result in additional editorial changes. For example, notes to definitions are designated as "NOTE" rather than "Note to entry" in Clause 3.

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INTRODUCTION

Replace, in the second sentence of the existing second paragraph, "source" with "origin".

1.3.1 IEC 60601-1

Replace the first two existing dashes with the following new dashes:

- "the general standard" designates IEC 60601-1 alone, including any amendments;
- "this collateral standard" designates IEC 60601-1-8 alone, including any amendments;

2 Normative references

Replace the existing references to IEC 60601-1, IEC 61672-1 and IEC 62366-1 by the following new references:

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

Amendment 1:2012

Amendment 2:2020

IEC 61672-1:2013, *Electroacoustics – Sound level meters – Part 1: Specifications*

IEC 62366-1:2015, *Medical devices – Part 1: Application of usability engineering to medical devices*

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Replace the existing first paragraph with the following new paragraph:

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in IEC 60601-1:2005+A1:2012+A2:2020, IEC 62366-1:2015+A1:2020, and the following definitions apply.

3.17

* DISTRIBUTED ALARM SYSTEM

Replace the existing term and definition with the following new entry:

3.17

* DISTRIBUTED ALARM SYSTEM

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ALARM SYSTEM that involves more than one item of equipment in a ME SYSTEM intended for delivery of ALARM CONDITIONS with technical confirmation

NOTE 1 The parts of a DISTRIBUTED ALARM SYSTEM can be widely separated in distance.

NOTE 2 A DISTRIBUTED ALARM SYSTEM is intended to notify OPERATORS of the existence of an ALARM CONDITION.

NOTE 3 For the purposes of this document, technical confirmation means that each element of a DISTRIBUTED ALARM SYSTEM confirms or guarantees the successful delivery of the ALARM CONDITION to the next element or appropriate TECHNICAL ALARM CONDITIONS are created as described in 6.11.2.2.1.

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FALSE NEGATIVE ALARM CONDITION

Replace, in the existing note, "the equipment itself" with "the ALARM SYSTEM itself".

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3.22 HIGH PRIORITY

Replace the existing note with the following new notes:

NOTE 1 The priority is assigned through RISK ANALYSIS. See 6.1.2 for the assignment of priority.

NOTE 2 Immediate implies the interruption of current workflow is expected [59], [60].

3.23 *INFORMAL SIGNAL

Add, after the existing Example 3, the following new note:

NOTE An ADVISORY is a type of INFORMATION SIGNAL.

3.25 INTERBURST INTERVAL

Replace, in the existing parenthetical, "Figure 1" with "Figure 1 and Figure G.1".

Add the following new note:

NOTE For the purposes of this document, when an AUDITORY ICON is used, the INTERBURST INTERVAL begins at the end of the AUDITORY ICON.

3.27 LOW PRIORITY

Replace the existing term, definition and note with the following new entry:

3.27 LOW PRIORITY

indicating that OPERATOR awareness is required and future action might be needed

NOTE 1 The priority is assigned through RISK ANALYSIS. See 6.1.2 for the assignment of priority.

NOTE 2 Awareness implies the planning of future workflow is expected [59], [60].

3.28 MEDIUM PRIORITY

Replace the existing note with the following new notes:

NOTE 1 The priority is assigned through RISK ANALYSIS. See 6.1.2 for the assignment of priority.

NOTE 2 Prompt implies the re-planning of current workflow is expected [59], [60].

3.37 * ACKNOWLEDGED

Replace the existing term, definition and notes, added by Amendment 1, with the following new entry:

3.37 * ACKNOWLEDGED

state of an ALARM SYSTEM initiated by OPERATOR action, where the auditory ALARM SIGNAL associated with a currently active ALARM CONDITION is inactivated until the ALARM CONDITION no longer exists or until a predetermined time interval has elapsed

NOTE ACKNOWLEDGED only affects ALARM SIGNALS that are active at the time of the OPERATOR action.

Add, after 3.37, the following new terms and definitions:

3.38*** ADVISORY**

ADVISORY SIGNAL

INFORMATION SIGNAL notifying the OPERATOR of a condition of the PATIENT or ME EQUIPMENT providing contextual awareness that is intended to improve the clinical workflow or understanding of the PATIENT condition, the awareness not being intended as a means of RISK CONTROL

NOTE 1 A notification that a lab result is available, where the lab result requires immediate clinical action is not an ADVISORY. It is an ALARM CONDITION.

NOTE 2 A signal associated with an ADVISORY, which is an INFORMATION SIGNAL, is required by this document to be designed so that an OPERATOR does not confuse it with an ALARM SIGNAL. See 6.3.2.2.2 and 6.3.3.2.

EXAMPLE 1 A notification that it is time to draw the next blood sample.

EXAMPLE 2 A battery status notification that replacement will be needed in a day.

EXAMPLE 3 A notification that it is time to bathe the PATIENT.

EXAMPLE 4 A notification that a lab result is available, where the lab results are normal.

3.39*** ALARM FATIGUE**

situation wherein the presence of frequent ALARM SIGNALS desensitizes an OPERATOR to an ALARM SIGNAL

NOTE 1 A desensitized OPERATOR can fail to perceive, recognize or act on an ALARM SIGNAL.

NOTE 2 The response of a desensitized OPERATOR can be inadequate, delayed or non-existent.

NOTE 3 ALARM FLOOD can cause ALARM FATIGUE.

3.40**ALARM FLOOD**

situation wherein OPERATORS receive more ALARM SIGNALS in a time period than they can manage appropriately

NOTE See [56], [57].

3.41*** ALERT**

synonym for the combination of PHYSIOLOGICAL ALARM CONDITIONS, TECHNICAL ALARM CONDITIONS and ADVISORIES

[SOURCE: ISO/IEEE 11073-10201:2020 [76], 3.3, modified – Replaced "alarms" with "ALARM CONDITIONS", "equipment-user advisory signals" with "ADVISORIES" and deleted "patient related".]

3.42**AUDITORY ICON**

sound that creates a strong semantic link to the category it represents

NOTE 1 An AUDITORY ICON is typically a real-world sound or mimics a real-world sound.

NOTE 2 An AUDITORY ICON can aid in locating the COMMUNICATOR and the SOURCE type.

3.43**AUDITORY POINTER**

sound that attracts attention, denotes the priority and aids in localization of the COMMUNICATOR

3.44*** CLINICALLY ACTIONABLE**

type of ALARM CONDITION for which a panel of experts would agree that OPERATOR action is necessary to prevent HARM within the timeframe implied by the priority communicated by the ALARM SYSTEM

NOTE 1 An OPERATOR action can include assessment of a PATIENT or the changing of ALARM LIMITS when they are inappropriately set for the state of the PATIENT.

NOTE 2 A LOW PRIORITY ALARM CONDITION, which requires action within the timeframe of a MEDIUM PRIORITY or HIGH PRIORITY timeframe, is considered CLINICALLY ACTIONABLE. A HIGH PRIORITY ALARM CONDITION, which requires action within the timeframe of a LOW PRIORITY or MEDIUM PRIORITY timeframe, is considered CLINICALLY NONACTIONABLE. In both cases, the ALARM CONDITION priority was improperly assigned.

NOTE 3 A FALSE POSITIVE ALARM CONDITION is never considered CLINICALLY ACTIONABLE even though an unrelated OPERATOR action might be required to prevent a future FALSE POSITIVE ALARM CONDITION.

NOTE 4 A CLINICALLY ACTIONABLE ALARM CONDITION is generally considered useful by the OPERATOR.

3.45*** CLINICALLY NONACTIONABLE**

type of ALARM CONDITION for which a panel of experts would agree that OPERATOR action is not expected within a timeframe equal to or shorter than the timeframe implied by its priority

NOTE 1 A LOW PRIORITY ALARM CONDITION, which requires action within the timeframe of a MEDIUM PRIORITY or HIGH PRIORITY timeframe, is considered CLINICALLY ACTIONABLE. A HIGH PRIORITY ALARM CONDITION, which requires action within the timeframe of a LOW PRIORITY or MEDIUM PRIORITY timeframe, is considered CLINICALLY NONACTIONABLE. In both cases, the ALARM CONDITION priority was improperly assigned.

NOTE 2 CLINICALLY NONACTIONABLE ALARM CONDITIONS are considered detrimental to OPERATOR performance and PATIENT safety.

NOTE 3 ALARM SIGNALS for an ALARM CONDITION of which the OPERATOR is already aware are considered CLINICALLY NONACTIONABLE.

3.46**COMMUNICATOR
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ANNUNCIATOR

function of the ALARM SYSTEM that generates ALARM SIGNALS to notify an OPERATOR (e.g. to the presence of an ALARM CONDITION)

NOTE 1 A COMMUNICATOR can receive an OPERATOR response.

NOTE 2 An OPERATOR response is not limited to direct OPERATOR action.

NOTE 3 See Figure 2.

3.47**DISTRIBUTED ALARM SYSTEM WITH OPERATOR CONFIRMATION****CDAS**

DISTRIBUTED ALARM SYSTEM that includes the capability to receive an OPERATOR response

3.48*** DISTRIBUTED INFORMATION SYSTEM ABOUT ALARM CONDITIONS****DIS**

system that involves more than one item of equipment in a ME SYSTEM intended to provide information about ALARM CONDITIONS but does not guarantee delivery of that information

NOTE 1 A DISTRIBUTED INFORMATION SYSTEM ABOUT ALARM CONDITIONS is not intended to notify OPERATORS of the existence of an ALARM CONDITION as a RISK CONTROL measure. A DISTRIBUTED INFORMATION SYSTEM ABOUT ALARM CONDITIONS is intended to provide information about an ALARM CONDITION while the OPERATOR is aware of the existence of the ALARM CONDITION by an ALARM SYSTEM.

NOTE 2 A DISTRIBUTED INFORMATION SYSTEM ABOUT ALARM CONDITIONS is not intended for confirmed delivery of ALARM CONDITIONS.

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3.49**INTEGRATOR****INT**

ALARM MANAGER

function of the ALARM SYSTEM that distributes ALARM CONDITIONS, combines ALARM CONDITIONS from SOURCES or handles the communication between those SOURCES and COMMUNICATORS

NOTE 1 An INTEGRATOR can direct or redirect an ALARM CONDITION to another COMMUNICATOR and hence OPERATOR.

NOTE 2 An INTEGRATOR can send the acceptance of responsibility from a COMMUNICATOR to a SOURCE.

NOTE 3 See Figure 2.

3.50*** NUISANCE ALARM SIGNAL**

ALARM SIGNAL for which a panel of experts would agree that the HARM associated with the ALARM SIGNAL is greater than the benefit associated with action resulting from the ALARM SIGNAL

NOTE 1 A NUISANCE ALARM SIGNAL contributes to ALARM FATIGUE.

NOTE 2 A NUISANCE ALARM SIGNAL can arise from a FALSE POSITIVE ALARM CONDITION.

NOTE 3 A NUISANCE ALARM SIGNAL can arise from a CLINICALLY NONACTIONABLE ALARM CONDITION.

NOTE 4 A NUISANCE ALARM SIGNAL can cause an inappropriate OPERATOR action.

EXAMPLE Causing the OPERATOR to set ALARM LIMITS to inappropriate settings.

NOTE 5 An ALARM SIGNAL that unnecessarily irritates or startles the PATIENT or OPERATOR can be a NUISANCE ALARM SIGNAL.

3.51**REDIRECTION**

means by which an INTEGRATOR provides a response hierarchy for directing an ALARM CONDITION to a COMMUNICATOR or transfers an ALARM CONDITION to another COMMUNICATOR

NOTE See Figure 2.

3.52**RESPONSIBILITY ACCEPTED**

state created by an OPERATOR response accepting ownership for addressing an ALARM CONDITION

NOTE 1 A RESPONSIBILITY ACCEPTED can be used to initiate an ALARM SIGNAL inactivation state.

NOTE 2 See Figure 2.

3.53**RESPONSIBILITY REJECTED**

state created by an OPERATOR response rejecting ownership for addressing an ALARM CONDITION

NOTE 1 A RESPONSIBILITY REJECTED can be used to initiate an ESCALATION or REDIRECTION.

NOTE 2 See Figure 2.

3.54**RESPONSIBILITY UNDEFINED**

state, automatically initiated when neither a RESPONSIBILITY ACCEPTED nor RESPONSIBILITY REJECTED is received within a specified period, which indicates that an OPERATOR is not responding

NOTE 1 RESPONSIBILITY UNDEFINED is not used as an indication that the COMMUNICATOR and INTEGRATOR cannot communicate.

NOTE 2 See Figure 2.

3.55**SOURCE****SRC**

function that has the capability to initiate an ALARM CONDITION

NOTE 1 The SOURCE transfers the ALARM CONDITION to the INTEGRATOR.

NOTE 2 See Figure 2.

3.56**TRUE NEGATIVE ALARM CONDITION**

absence of an ALARM CONDITION when no valid triggering event has occurred in the PATIENT, the equipment or the ALARM SYSTEM

3.57**TRUE POSITIVE ALARM CONDITION**

presence of an ALARM CONDITION when a valid triggering event has occurred in the PATIENT, the equipment or the ALARM SYSTEM

6.2 * Disclosures for INTELLIGENT ALARM SYSTEM

Replace the existing list item e) with the following new item:

- e) changes the characteristics of the generated ALARM SIGNALS (for example, volume, pitch, tempo, urgency, AUDITORY ICON category).

6.3.1 General

Replace, in the first sentence of the existing first paragraph, "ALARM SIGNALS" with "ALARM SIGNALS by a COMMUNICATOR".

6.3.2.2.2 1 m (OPERATOR'S POSITION) visual ALARM SIGNALS and INFORMATION SIGNALS

Replace, in the existing Note 3, modified by Amendment 1, "IEC 62366" with "IEC 62366-1".

Replace the existing Note 5, added by Amendment 1, with the following new note:

NOTE 5 It is recognized that visual INFORMATION SIGNALS and visual ALARM SIGNALS can sometimes contain identical or similar information. When they are intended to convey different meanings, care needs to be taken to ensure that visual ALARM SIGNALS cannot be confused with visual INFORMATION SIGNALS.

6.3.3.1 * Characteristics of auditory ALARM SIGNALS

Replace, in the existing first paragraph, modified by Amendment 1, the first sentence with:

If a COMMUNICATOR of an ALARM SYSTEM is provided with auditory ALARM SIGNALS:

Replace the existing list item b) to d), modified by Amendment 1, with:

- b) of HIGH PRIORITY, the HIGH PRIORITY auditory ALARM SIGNALS of that COMMUNICATOR shall convey a higher level of urgency than the MEDIUM or LOW PRIORITY auditory ALARM SIGNALS of that ALARM SIGNAL set as well as a higher level of urgency than any auditory INFORMATION SIGNAL;
- c) of MEDIUM PRIORITY, the MEDIUM PRIORITY auditory ALARM SIGNALS of that COMMUNICATOR shall convey a higher level of urgency than the LOW PRIORITY auditory ALARM SIGNALS of that ALARM SIGNAL set as well as a higher level of urgency than any auditory INFORMATION SIGNAL;
- d) the COMMUNICATOR shall have at least one set of ALARM SIGNALS that:
 - 1) complies with Annex G; or