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This fourth edition cancels and replaces the third edition (ISO 9873:2017), of which it constitutes a minor revision. The main changes compared to the previous edition are as follows:

- recommendation for maximum length of intra-oral mirror has been reduced from 178 mm to 173 mm in [4.1.1](#);
- requirement for distortion has been added in [4.3.4](#);
- requirement for handle has been clarified in [4.5](#);
- resistance to reprocessing requirement has been clarified in [4.6](#);
- requirement for UDI code has been added in [Clause 6](#).

## Introduction

This document specifies requirements for intra-oral viewing and retracting instruments which are in common use in dentistry.

However, it is well known that there are also other types of intra-oral mirrors in use which have different designs and/or are made of different materials. Amongst these other types are mirrors with a polished metal reflecting surface (as opposed to a coated glass surface).

Standardization of these other types can form the subject of future work.

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