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- The requirements regarding essential performance have been simplified;
- The allowed colours for indicators have been modified from those specified in the general standard;

- 116 • Requirements for terminal markings have been clarified;
- 117 • The required instructions for use regarding estimated service time for a fully charged battery have  
118 been modified;
- 119 • The test for saline exposure has been clarified as an additional test;
- 120 • The requirements related to immunity from ELECTROSTATIC DISCHARGE have been modified;
- 121 • Additional rationale for all changes.

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154 *equipment*, can be found on the IEC website.

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## INTRODUCTION

170 The minimum safety requirements specified in this particular standard are considered to provide for a  
171 practical degree of safety in the operation of EXTERNAL PACEMAKERS with an internal power source.

172 Basically, CARDIAC PACEMAKERS treat cardiac arrhythmias. Such arrhythmias reduce cardiac output  
173 and can lead to confusion, dizziness, loss of consciousness and death. The objective of pacing is to  
174 restore cardiac rhythm and output appropriate to the PATIENT's physiological needs.

175 There are two distinct families of CARDIAC PACEMAKERS, implantable PACEMAKERS and EXTERNAL  
176 PACEMAKERS. EXTERNAL PACEMAKERS are used to pace PATIENTS temporarily prior to implanting an  
177 implantable PACEMAKER as well as for temporary pacing related to other medical PROCEDURES, e.g.  
178 open heart surgery.

179 CARDIAC PACEMAKERS differ in the various ways in which they sense and maintain cardiac activity in  
180 different circumstances. The simplest model stimulates the atrium or ventricle independently of the  
181 cardiac activity; others detect atrial or ventricular activity and stimulate the atrium or ventricle as and  
182 when this is necessary; others, more complex, detect the spontaneous heart activity and stimulate  
183 appropriately the atrium and/or the ventricle. Certain PACEMAKERS work on pre-set frequency values,  
184 amplitudes and impulse duration. Others can have several values for parameters.

185 Standards for EXTERNAL PACEMAKERS require attention to information which will aid in developing and  
186 applying these devices. It is through these aspects of standardization that the central role of clinical  
187 experience should be, or has been, acknowledged. The ability to predict how a PACEMAKER will  
188 perform in a specific PATIENT based on testing of a device to a set of technical criteria is limited.

189 This particular standard does not take into consideration the specific safety aspects of EXTERNAL  
190 PACEMAKERS that are connected to a SUPPLY MAINS while simultaneously connected to the PATIENT.

191 This particular standard amends and supplements IEC 60601-1:2005 and  
192 IEC 60601-1:2005/AMD1:2012 and IEC 60601-1:2005/AMD2:2020, *Medical electrical equipment –*  
193 *Part 1: General requirements for basic safety and essential performance*, hereinafter referred to as the  
194 general standard.

195 The requirements are followed by specifications for the relevant tests.

196 Clauses or subclauses for which there are explanatory notes in Annex AA are marked with an asterisk  
197 (\*).

198 An inventory of the PATIENT's safety posed by EXTERNAL PACEMAKERS and a rationale for the safety  
199 requirements contained in this particular standard are given in Annex AA. It is considered that  
200 knowledge of the reasons for these requirements will not only facilitate the proper application of  
201 this particular standard but will, in due course, expedite any revision necessitated by changes in  
202 clinical practice or as a result of developments in technology. However, Annex AA does not form part  
203 of the requirements of this document.

204 In accordance with IEC directives concerning standards developed jointly with ISO, the numbering of  
205 this particular standard has been changed from IEC 60601 -2-31 to IEC 80601-2-31. This document  
206 constitutes the first edition of IEC 80601 -2-31.

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## MEDICAL ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT –

### Part 2-31: Particular requirements for the basic safety and essential performance of external cardiac pacemakers with internal power source

#### 201.1 Scope, object and related standards

Clause 1 of the general standard<sup>1</sup> applies, except as follows:

##### 201.1.1 \* Scope

*Replacement:*

This part of IEC 60601 applies to the BASIC SAFETY and ESSENTIAL PERFORMANCE of EXTERNAL PACEMAKERS powered by an INTERNAL ELECTRICAL POWER SOURCE, hereafter referred to as ME EQUIPMENT.

This document applies to PATIENT CABLES as defined in 201.3.209, but does not apply to LEADS as defined in 201.3.206.

HAZARDS inherent in the intended physiological function of ME EQUIPMENT within the scope of this document are not covered by specific requirements in this document except in 7.2.13 and 8.4.1 of the general standard.

NOTE See also 4.2 of the general standard.

This document does not apply to the implantable parts of ACTIVE IMPLANTABLE MEDICAL DEVICES covered by ISO 14708-1. This document does not apply to EXTERNAL PACEMAKERS which can be connected directly or indirectly to a SUPPLY MAINS.

This document does not apply to transthoracic and oesophageal pacing ME EQUIPMENT and antitachycardia ME EQUIPMENT.

##### 201.1.2 Object

*Replacement:*

The object of this particular standard is to establish particular BASIC SAFETY and ESSENTIAL PERFORMANCE requirements for EXTERNAL PACEMAKERS as defined in 201.3.205.

##### 201.1.3 Collateral standards

*Addition:*

This particular standard refers to those applicable collateral standards that are listed in Clause 2 of the general standard and Clause 201.2 of this particular standard.

IEC 60601-1-2:2014 + AMD1:2020 applies as modified in Clause 202. IEC 60601-1-3, IEC 60601-1-9, IEC 60601-1-10, IEC 60601-1-11, and IEC 60601-1-12 do not apply. All other published collateral standards in the IEC 60601-1 series apply as published.

##### 201.1.4 Particular standards

*Replacement:*

<sup>1</sup> The general standard is IEC 60601-1:2005, IEC 60601-1:2005/AMD1:2012 and IEC 60601-1:2005/AMD2:2020, *Medical electrical equipment – Part 1: General requirements for basic safety and essential performance*.

247 In the IEC 60601 series, particular standards may modify, replace or delete requirements contained in  
 248 the general standard and collateral standards as appropriate for the particular ME EQUIPMENT under  
 249 consideration, and may add other BASIC SAFETY and ESSENTIAL PERFORMANCE requirements.

250 A requirement of a particular standard takes priority over the general standard.

251 For brevity, IEC 60601-1:2005 and IEC 60601-1:2005/AMD1:2012 and IEC 60601-1:2005/AMD2:2020  
 252 are referred to in this particular standard as the general standard. Collateral standards are referred to  
 253 by their document number.

254 The numbering of clauses and subclauses of this particular standard corresponds to that of the  
 255 general standard with the prefix "201" (e.g. 201.1 in this document addresses the content of Clause 1  
 256 of the general standard) or applicable collateral standard with the prefix "20x" where x is the final  
 257 digit(s) of the collateral standard document number (e.g. 202.4 in this particular standard addresses  
 258 the content of Clause 4 of the IEC 60601-1-2 collateral standard, 203.4 in this particular standard  
 259 addresses the content of Clause 4 of the IEC 60601-1-3 collateral standard, etc.). The changes to the  
 260 text of the general standard and applicable collateral standards are specified by the use of the  
 261 following words:

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 263 standard is replaced completely by the text of this particular standard.

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 265 general standard or applicable collateral standard.

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 267 standard is amended as indicated by the text of this particular standard.

268 Subclauses, figures or tables which are additional to those of the general standard are numbered  
 269 starting from 201.101. However, due to the fact that definitions in the general standard are numbered  
 270 3.1 through 3.154, additional definitions in this document are numbered beginning from 201.3.201.  
 271 Additional annexes are lettered AA, BB, etc., and additional items aa), bb), etc.)

272 Subclauses, figures or tables which are additional to those of a collateral standard are numbered  
 273 starting from 20x, where "x" is the number of the collateral standard, e.g. 202 for IEC 60601-1-2, 203  
 274 for IEC 60601-1-3, etc.

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 276 standards and this particular standard taken together. 48b8-ad39-573c36948b69/osist-pren-iec-80601-2-31-2024

277 Where there is no corresponding clause or subclause in this particular standard, the clause or  
 278 subclause of the general standard or applicable collateral standard, although possibly not relevant,  
 279 applies without modification; where it is intended that any part of the general standard or applicable  
 280 collateral standard, although possibly relevant, is not to be applied, a statement to that effect is given  
 281 in this particular standard.

## 282 **201.2 Normative references**

283 NOTE Informative references are listed in the Bibliography.

284 Clause 2 of the general standard applies, except as follows:

285 *Replacement:*

286 IEC 60601-1-2:2014, *Medical electrical equipment – Part 1-2: General requirements for basic safety*  
 287 *and essential performance – Collateral Standard: Electromagnetic disturbances – Requirements and*  
 288 *tests*

289 IEC 60601-1-2:2014/AMD1:2020

290 *Addition:*

291 IEC 60601-1:2005, *Medical electrical equipment – Part 1: General requirements for basic safety and*  
 292 *essential performance*  
 293 IEC 60601-1:2005/AMD1:2012  
 294 IEC 60601-1:2005/AMD2:2020

295 ISO 14117:2019, *Active implantable medical devices – Electromagnetic compatibility – EMC test*  
 296 *protocols for implantable cardiac pacemakers, implantable cardioverter defibrillators and cardiac*  
 297 *resynchronization devices*

298 ISO 14708-2:2019, *Implants for surgery – Active implantable medical devices – Part 2: Cardiac*  
 299 *pacemakers*

### 300 **201.3 \* Terms and definitions**

301 For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions specified in IEC 60601-1:2005 and  
 302 IEC 60601-1:2005/AMD1:2012 and IEC 60601-1:2005/AMD2:2020, ISO 14117:2019, and ISO 14708-  
 303 2:2019 and the following apply.

304 ISO and IEC maintain terminological databases for use in standardization at the following addresses:

- 305 • IEC Electropedia: available at <http://www.electropedia.org/>
- 306 • ISO Online browsing platform: available at <http://www.iso.org/obp>

307 NOTE An Index of defined terms is found beginning on page 53.

308 *Addition:*

#### 309 **201.3.201**

##### 310 **ACTIVE IMPLANTABLE MEDICAL DEVICE**

311 active medical device which is intended to be totally or partially introduced, surgically or medically,  
 312 into the human body or by medical intervention into a natural orifice, and which is intended to remain  
 313 in place after the procedure

314 [SOURCE: ISO 14708-1:2014, 3.2, modified – The words "in place" have been added to the definition,  
 315 and the note to entry has been deleted.]

#### 316 **201.3.202**

##### 317 **BATTERY DEPLETION INDICATOR**

318 means of indicating when the battery should be replaced

#### 319 **201.3.203**

##### 320 **CARDIAC PACEMAKER**

321 ME EQUIPMENT intended to treat bradyarrhythmias

#### 322 **201.3.204**

##### 323 **DUAL CHAMBER**

324 relating to both atrium and ventricle

#### 325 **201.3.205**

##### 326 **EXTERNAL PACEMAKER**

327 CARDIAC PACEMAKER consisting of a NON-IMPLANTABLE PULSE GENERATOR and PATIENT CABLE(S) (if used)

#### 328 **201.3.206**

##### 329 **LEAD**

330 flexible tube enclosing one or more insulated electrical conductors, intended to transfer electrical  
 331 energy along its length between the EXTERNAL PACEMAKER and the PATIENT'S heart

332 [SOURCE: ISO 14708-1:2014, 3.13, modified – The words "between the EXTERNAL PACEMAKER and the  
 333 PATIENT'S heart" have been added to the definition, and the note to entry has been deleted.]

- 334 **201.3.207**  
 335 **MAXIMUM TRACKING RATE**  
 336 maximum PULSE RATE at which the multi-chamber NON-IMPLANTABLE PULSE GENERATOR will respond on a  
 337 1:1 basis to a sensed atrial signal
- 338 [SOURCE: ISO 14708-2:2019, 3.30, modified – The word " IMPLANTABLE " has been replaced by "multi-  
 339 chamber NON-IMPLANTABLE" and the word "triggering" by "sensed atrial".]
- 340 **201.3.208**  
 341 **NON-IMPLANTABLE PULSE GENERATOR**  
 342 ME EQUIPMENT with an INTERNAL ELECTRICAL POWER SOURCE which is intended for use outside the body  
 343 and which produces a periodic electrical PULSE intended to stimulate the heart through a LEAD (or  
 344 combination of a LEAD and PATIENT CABLE)
- 345 **201.3.209**  
 346 **PATIENT CABLE**  
 347 cable used to extend the distance between the NON-IMPLANTABLE PULSE GENERATOR and the pacing  
 348 LEAD
- 349 **201.3.210**  
 350 **POST-VENTRICULAR ATRIAL REFRACTORY PERIOD**  
 351 **PVARP**  
 352 refractory period in atrial channel after paced or sensed event in ventricular channel , used in DUAL  
 353 CHAMBER modes
- 354 Note 1 to entry: This note applies to the French language only.
- 355 **201.3.211**  
 356 **PRIMARY BATTERY**  
 357 one or more cells, which are not designed to be electrically recharged, that are fitted with devices  
 358 necessary for use, for example case, terminals, marking and protective devices
- 359 [SOURCE: IEC 60050-482:2004 + AMD1:2016 + AMD2:2020, 482-01-04, modified – The word  
 360 "primary" has been added to the term, and the words "which are not designed to be electrically  
 361 recharged" have been added to the definition.]
- 362 **201.3.212**  
 363 **SINGLE CHAMBER**  
 364 relating to either atrium or ventricle
- 365 **201.3.213**  
 366 **BASIC RATE**  
 367 PULSE RATE of a NON-IMPLANTABLE PULSE GENERATOR, either atrial or ventricular, unmodified by sensed  
 368 cardiac or other electrical influence
- 369 [SOURCE: ISO 14708-2:2019, 3.26, modified – The words "an implantable" have been replaced by "a  
 370 NON-IMPLANTABLE".]
- 371 **201.3.214**  
 372 **ESCAPE INTERVAL**  
 373 time elapsing between the sensing of a spontaneous BEAT and the succeeding non-triggered PULSE of  
 374 a NON-IMPLANTABLE PULSE GENERATOR
- 375 [SOURCE: ISO 14117:2019, 3.128, modified – The words "an implantable" have been replaced by "a  
 376 NON-IMPLANTABLE".]
- 377 **201.3.215**  
 378 **INTERFERENCE PULSE RATE**  
 379 PULSE RATE with which the NON-IMPLANTABLE PULSE GENERATOR responds when it senses electrical  
 380 activity that it recognizes as interference

381 [SOURCE: ISO 14117:2019, 3.129, modified – The words "an implantable" have been replaced by  
382 "NON-IMPLANTABLE".]

## 383 **201.4 General requirements**

384 Clause 4 of the general standard applies, except as follows:

### 385 **201.4.3 Essential performance**

386 *Additional subclause:*

#### 387 **201.4.3.101 Additional ESSENTIAL PERFORMANCE requirements**

388 Pacing is considered as ESSENTIAL PERFORMANCE. During intended use, pacing output shall not be  
389 interrupted for a period exceeding two pre-set pacing intervals.

#### 390 **201.4.10.1 Source of power for ME EQUIPMENT**

391 *Replacement:*

392 ME EQUIPMENT shall be powered by a PRIMARY BATTERY.

393 *Compliance is checked by inspection of the ACCOMPANYING DOCUMENTS.*

#### 394 **201.4.10.2 SUPPLY MAINS for ME EQUIPMENT and ME SYSTEMS**

395 This subclause of the general standard does not apply.

#### 396 **201.4.11 \* Power input**

397 This subclause of the general standard does not apply.

## 398 **201.5 General requirements for testing ME EQUIPMENT**

399 Clause 5 of the general standard applies.

## 400 **201.6 Classification of ME EQUIPMENT and ME SYSTEMS**

401 Clause 6 of the general standard applies, except as follows:

### 402 **201.6.2 \* Protection against electric shock**

403 *Replacement:*

404 ME EQUIPMENT shall be classified as INTERNALLY POWERED ME EQUIPMENT.

405 ME EQUIPMENT shall be recognized as INTERNALLY POWERED only if no external connections to an  
406 electrical power source are provided.

407 APPLIED PARTS shall be classified as TYPE CF APPLIED PARTS. APPLIED PARTS shall be classified as  
408 DEFIBRILLATION-PROOF APPLIED PARTS.

## 409 **201.7 ME EQUIPMENT identification, marking and documents**

410 Clause 7 of the general standard applies, except as follows:

### 411 **201.7.2 Marking on the outside of ME EQUIPMENT or ME EQUIPMENT parts**

412 *Additional subclauses:*

#### 413 **201.7.2.101 ME EQUIPMENT intended for SINGLE CHAMBER application**

414 If the ME EQUIPMENT is intended for SINGLE CHAMBER applications, the polarity of the connector  
415 terminals (if used) shall be conspicuously marked positive (+) and negative (–).