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**Part 3:**  
**Suction equipment powered from**  
**a vacuum or positive pressure gas**  
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This fourth edition cancels and replaces the third edition (ISO 10079-3:2014), which has been technically revised.

The main changes are as follows:

- the general requirements have been removed from this document and replaced with references to ISO 10079-4:2021;
- the list of exemptions has been removed from the scope as it now appears in ISO 10079-4:2021.

A list of all parts in the ISO 10079 series can be found on the ISO website.

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# Medical suction equipment —

## Part 3:

# Suction equipment powered from a vacuum or positive pressure gas source

## 1 Scope

This document specifies basic safety and performance requirements for medical *suction* equipment powered from a vacuum or positive pressure gas source generating venturi *suction*. It applies to *suction* equipment connected to *medical gas pipeline systems* or cylinders and venturi attachments and can be standalone or part of an integrated system.

## 2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

ISO 5359:2014/Amd 1:2017, *Anaesthetic and respiratory equipment — Low-pressure hose assemblies for use with medical gases*

ISO 10079-4:2021, *Medical suction equipment – Part 4: General requirements*

## 3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in ISO 10079-4 and the following apply.

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

- ISO Online browsing platform: available at <https://www.iso.org/obp>
- IEC Electropedia: available at <https://www.electropedia.org/>

### 3.1

#### **medical gas pipeline system**

complete system which comprises a supply system, a monitoring and alarm system and a distribution system with terminal units at the points where medical gases or vacuum are required

[SOURCE: ISO 7396-1:2016, 3.36]

## 4 General requirements

The requirements of ISO 10079-4:2021, Clause 4, shall apply.

## 5 Materials

The requirements of ISO 10079-4:2021, Clause 5, shall apply.

## 6 Design requirements

### 6.1 General

The requirements of ISO 10079-4:2021, Clause 6, shall apply.

### 6.2 Supply connections

*Suction* equipment powered by gas or vacuum shall:

- a) if designed to be connected directly to the terminal unit of a *medical gas pipeline system* or the outlet of a pressure regulator, be fitted with a probe complying with the relevant national standard, or
- b) if designed to be connected remotely to the terminal unit of a *medical gas pipeline system* or the outlet of a pressure regulator, be fitted with a low-pressure hose assembly complying with ISO 5359.

Check conformance by inspection.

NOTE Requirements for *medical gas pipeline systems* are specified in ISO 7396-1<sup>[1]</sup>.

## 7 Performance requirements

The requirements of ISO 10079-4:2021, Clause 7, shall apply.

## 8 Additional/alternative requirements for *suction* equipment, *suction tubing* and *intermittent tubing* designed for *field use* or *transport use*

The requirements of ISO 10079-4:2021, Clause 8, shall apply.

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## 9 Information to be supplied by the manufacturer

The requirements of ISO 10079-4:2021, Clause 9, shall apply.

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