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This amendment A2 modifies the European Standard EN 552:1994; it was approved by CEN on 27 October 2000.

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Foreword

This Amendment EN 552:1994/A2:2000 to the EN 552:1994 has been prepared by Technical Committee CEN/TC 204 "Sterilization of medical devices", the secretariat of which is held by BSI.

This Amendment to the European Standard EN 552:1994 has been prepared under a mandate given to CEN by the European Commission and the European Free Trade Association, and supports essential requirements of EU Directive(s).

This European Standard shall be given the status of a national standard, either by publication of an identical text or by endorsement, at the latest by May 2001, and conflicting national standards shall be withdrawn at the latest by May 2001.

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Explanatory note.

This amendment to EN 552: 1994 has been prepared to resolve differences in interpretation in the technical requirements for establishing the sterilizing dose. This amendment has been prepared in accordance with Resolution 2/1998 of CEN TC 204.

The intention of this amendment is to confirm that the form of radiation to be used for routine processing has to be used in establishing the sterilizing dose.

Delete subclause 4.2.1 b) and substitute the following text.

b) Access to a source of radiation capable of precisely and accurately delivering a dose less than the *sterilizing dose* or a series of doses ranging from 1 kGy upwards. If a gamma irradiator is to be employed for routine processing, a ^{60}Co or ^{137}Cs radiation source shall be used. If an electron irradiator is to be employed for routine processing, an electron irradiator using the same operating conditions as those to be employed routinely shall be used.

The tolerances within which the delivered dose may fall can vary according to the magnitude of the target dose; the rationale for the choice of these tolerances shall be documented and their values shall be specified.

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