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The main changes compared to the previous edition are as follows:

- use of “endodontic” rather than “root canal” for the terminology;
- inclusion of points having a non-uniform taper;
- inclusion of thermoplastic materials not in the form of a point;
- standardization to the use of  $D$ ,  $d_3$  and  $d_{16}$  for measurements of endodontic points at the projection of the tip, 3 mm or 16 mm from the tip of a point;
- harmonization of  $D$ ,  $d_3$  and  $d_{16}$  with the ISO 3630 series;
- reconsidering tests methods;
- addition of ISO 13116 for test method for determining radiopacity of material as a normative reference;
- augmenting the packaging requirements for providing information;
- addition of an annex for measuring the melt-flow rate of thermoplastic materials that are not supplied in point form.

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