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Table ZA.1 — Correspondence between this International Standard and Directive 93/42/EEC, Medical devices

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WARNING: Other requirements and other EU Directives may be applicable to the product(s) falling within the scope of this standard.

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Introduction

A low-pressure regulator is used to reduce the pressure in a medical gas pipeline system to a lower pressure suitable for use with medical equipment or for delivery of gas directly to a patient.

These functions cover a range of inlet and outlet pressures and flows which require specific design characteristics. It is important that the operating characteristics of low-pressure regulators are appropriately specified for their intended use and then tested in a defined manner.

A low-pressure regulator may be coupled to a device that controls the flow, such as a flow control valve or a fixed orifice. The flow can be indicated by a flowmeter or by a flowgauge.

It is essential that regular inspection and maintenance are undertaken to ensure that low-pressure regulators continue to meet the requirements of this part of ISO 10524.

This part of ISO 10524 pays particular attention to:

- safety (mechanical strength, leakage, safe relief of excess pressure and resistance to ignition);
- suitability of materials;
- gas specificity;
- accuracy;
- cleanliness;
- testing;
- marking;
- information supplied by the manufacturer.

Annex B contains rationale statements for some of the requirements of this part of ISO 10524. The clauses and subclauses marked with an asterisk (*) after their number have corresponding rationale contained in Annex B, included to provide additional insight into the reasoning that led to the requirements and recommendations that have been incorporated in this document. It is considered that knowledge of the reasons for the requirements will not only facilitate the proper application of this part of ISO 10524, but will expedite any subsequent revisions.

Pressure regulators for use with medical gases —

Part 4: Low-pressure regulators

1 Scope

1.1 This part of ISO 10524 applies to the types of low-pressure regulators listed in 1.2 and intended to be used with the following medical gases in the treatment, management, diagnostic evaluation and care of patients:

- oxygen;
- nitrous oxide;
- medical air;
- helium;
- carbon dioxide;
- xenon;
- specified mixtures of the gases listed above;
- air for driving surgical tools;
- nitrogen for driving surgical tools;
- oxygen-enriched air.

1.2 The types of low-pressure regulators covered by this part of ISO 10524 are as follows:

- a) low-pressure regulators intended to be connected to terminal units of medical gas pipeline systems complying with ISO 7396-1;
- b) low-pressure regulators with integral flow-metering devices intended to be connected to terminal units of medical gas pipeline systems complying with ISO 7396-1;
- c) low-pressure regulators intended to be connected to terminal units attached to pressure regulators complying with ISO 10524-1 or ISO 10524-3;
- d) operator-adjustable low-pressure regulators for air or nitrogen for driving surgical tools that are an integral part of a medical gas pipeline system complying with ISO 7396-1.

1.3 This part of ISO 10524 does not apply to low-pressure regulators integrated within anaesthetic and respiratory equipment.

2 * Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application 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, *Low pressure hose assemblies for use with medical gases*

ISO 7396-1, *Medical gas pipeline systems — Part 1: Pipeline systems for compressed medical gases and vacuum*

ISO 9170-1, *Terminal units for medical gas pipeline systems — Part 1: Terminal units for use with compressed medical gases and vacuum*

ISO 10524-1, *Pressure regulators for use with medical gases — Part 1: Pressure regulators and pressure regulators with flow-metering devices*

ISO 10524-3, *Pressure regulators for use with medical gases — Part 3: Pressure regulators integrated with cylinder valves*

ISO 11114-3:1997, *Transportable gas cylinders — Compatibility of cylinder and valve materials with gas contents — Part 3: Autogenous ignition test in oxygen atmosphere*

ISO 14971:2007, *Medical devices — Application of risk management to medical devices*

ISO 15001:2003, *Anaesthetic and respiratory equipment — Compatibility with oxygen*

EN 837-1, *Pressure gauges — Part 1: Bourdon tube pressure gauges — Dimensions, metrology, requirements and testing*

EN 1089-3:2004, *Transportable gas cylinders — Gas cylinder identification (excluding LPG) — Part 3: Colour coding*

EN 13544-2, *Respiratory therapy equipment — Part 2: Tubing and connectors*

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply.

3.1

accuracy of flow

difference between the indicated value and the actual value of the flow expressed in percent

3.2

adjustable pressure regulator

pressure regulator that is provided with a means of operator adjustment of the outlet pressure

3.3

flow outlet

outlet intended to deliver a controlled flow of gas

3.4

flowgauge

device that measures pressure and that is calibrated in units of flow

NOTE The flowgauge does not measure flow. It indicates flow by measuring the pressure upstream of a fixed orifice.