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AUTOMATIC FLOOR TREATMENT MACHINES FOR COMMERCIAL USE – PARTICULAR REQUIREMENTS

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The text of this International Standard is based on the following documents:

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61J/734/CDV	61J/747A/RVC

Full information on the voting for its approval can be found in the report on voting indicated in the above table.

The language used for the development of this International Standard is English.

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NOTE 1 The following print types are used:

- requirements: in roman type;
- test specifications: in italic type;
- notes: in small roman type.

Words in **bold** in the text are defined in Clause 3. When a definition concerns an adjective, the adjective and the associated noun are also in bold.

NOTE 2 The 100 numbering is applied in certain clauses of this standard as these are additions to certain existing clauses of IEC 60335-1, IEC 60335-2-69, and IEC 60335-2-72.

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INTRODUCTION

It has been assumed in the drafting of this International Standard that the execution of its provisions is entrusted to appropriately qualified and experienced persons.

This standard recognizes the internationally accepted level of protection against hazards such as electrical, mechanical, thermal, fire and radiation of appliances when operated as in normal use taking into account the manufacturer's instructions. It also covers abnormal situations that can be expected in practice and takes into account the way in which electromagnetic phenomena can affect the safe operation of appliances.

This standard takes into account the requirements of IEC 60364 as far as possible so that there is compatibility with the wiring rules when the appliance is connected to the supply mains. However, national wiring rules may differ.

This standard is a product family standard dealing with the safety of appliances and takes precedence over horizontal and generic standards covering the same subject.

NOTE Horizontal and generic standards covering a hazard are not applicable since they have been taken into consideration when developing the general and particular requirements for the IEC 60335 series of standards. For example, in the case of temperature requirements for surfaces on many appliances, generic standards, such as ISO 13732-1 for hot surfaces, are not applicable in addition to Part 1 or part 2 standards.

An appliance that complies with the text of this standard will not necessarily be considered to comply with the safety principles of the standard if, when examined and tested, it is found to have other features that impair the level of safety covered by these requirements.

An appliance employing materials or having forms of construction differing from those detailed in the requirements of this standard may be examined and tested according to the intent of the requirements and, if found to be substantially equivalent, may be considered to comply with the standard.

AUTOMATIC FLOOR TREATMENT MACHINES FOR COMMERCIAL USE – PARTICULAR REQUIREMENTS

1 Scope

This International Standard deals with the safety of powered automatic floor treatment machines intended for commercial use indoors for the following applications:

- sweeping,
- scrubbing,
- wet or dry pick-up,
- polishing,
- application of wax, sealing products and powder-based detergents,
- shampooing

of floors.

The requirements given by this standard are applied in addition to the requirements for commercial floor treatment machines in IEC 60335-2-72, as far as applicable.

For **automatic floor treatment machines** solely designed for wet or dry pick-up, additional or modified requirements of IEC 60335-2-69 where stated are applicable.

Machines covered by this standard can operate in automatic or manual mode.

Modified requirements are given in Annex FF of this standard for **automatic floor treatment machines** not equipped with a **manual mode**.

The automatic floor treatment machines covered by this standard are designed to avoid hazardous contact with persons in the environment applied. It is recognized that automatic floor treatment machines for commercial use might require operation within close proximity to large groups of people, such as in shopping malls and schools.

Throughout this standard, the term "machine" is used to refer to an automatic floor treatment machine.

The following power systems are covered:

- rechargeable batteries that are recharged by built-in battery chargers or off-board battery chargers which may be incorporated within the circuitry of the machine, or mounted on the machine and incorporated within the enclosure of the automatic floor treatment machine; or powered by batteries that need to be removed to be recharged with a charger that is external to the machine,
- Other systems are under consideration.

This standard does not apply to

- vacuum cleaners and water-suction cleaning appliances and automatic battery-operated cleaners for household use (IEC 60335-2-2);
- floor treatment machines and wet scrubbing machines for household use (IEC 60335-2-10);
- battery chargers (IEC 60335-2-29);

- floor treatment machines for commercial use (IEC 60335-2-67);
- spray extraction machines for commercial use (IEC 60335-2-68);
- road sweepers;

NOTE 101 In Europe, the EN 17106 series covers road sweepers.

- machines designed for use on **slopes** with a gradient exceeding 20 %;
- machines equipped with a power take-off (PTO);
- machines designed for use in corrosive or explosive environments (dust, vapour or gas);
- machines designed for use in vehicles or on board of ships or aircraft.
- vacuum cleaners designed for pickup of combustible dust;
- appliances for medical purposes (IEC 60601-1);
- driverless industrial trucks and their systems (ISO 3691-4);
- robots and robotic devices: Safety requirements of personal care robots (ISO 13482)
- machines with parts that extend beyond the contact zone of the machine;

NOTE 102 Components of the machine that operate outside the contact zone can be evaluated differently.

machines designed for picking up liquids with a flash point below 55 °C.

NOTE 103 The flash point temperature limit can vary in different countries. National regulations will need to be taken into account.

NOTE 104 Attention is drawn to the fact that in many countries additional requirements on the safe use of the equipment covered can be specified by the national health authorities, the national authorities responsible for the protection of labour, the national water supply authorities and similar authorities.

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.

IEC 60335-1:2020, Household and similar electrical appliances – Safety – Part 1: General requirements

IEC 60335-2-69:2021, Household and similar electrical appliances – Safety – Part 2-69: Particular requirements for wet and dry vacuum cleaners, including power brush, for commercial use

IEC 60335-2-72:2021, Household and similar electrical appliances – Safety – Part 2-72: Particular requirements for floor treatment machines with or without traction drive, for commercial use

IEC 61032, Protection of persons and equipment by enclosures – Probes for verification

IEC 61058-1, Switches for appliances – Part 1: General requirements

IEC 61770:2008, Electric appliances connected to the water mains – Avoidance of backsiphonage and failure of hose-sets

IEC 62061, Safety of machinery – Functional safety of safety-related control systems

ISO 13849-1, Safety of machinery – Safety-related parts of control systems – Part 1: General principles for design

ISO 13857:2019, Safety of machinery – Safety distances to prevent hazard zones being reached by upper and lower limbs

ISO 18646-1:2016, Robotics – Performance criteria and related test methods for service robots – Part 1: Locomotion for wheeled robots

3 Terms and definitions

Clause 3 of IEC 60335-2-69:2021 and IEC 60335-2-72:2021 applies, except as follows:

NOTE The 200 numbering in Clause 3 of this standard is applied to avoid overlap with the numbering of Clause 3 of IEC 60335-2-69 and IEC 60335-2-72.

Addition:

3.201

automatic floor treatment machine

machine that operates automatically on a defined working area and that may also be able to be operated in a **manual mode**

Note 1 to entry: Definition of the work area and floor surface can be done by **operator** action, (temporary) physical limitations or by autonomous (initial) exploratory mode of the machine.

3.202

type 1 machine

automatic floor treatment machine having

- a maximum rated automatic speed not exceeding 3 km/h, and
- a height during normal operation not exceeding 50 cm above the ground, and
- a mass during normal operation not exceeding 20 kg

Note 1 to entry: If a GVW is available, the mass is replaced by this value.

3.203

type 2 machine

automatic floor treatment machine other than a type 1 machine

3.204

control system

set of logic control and power functions which allows to monitor and control the mechanical structure of the machine and to communicate with the environment (equipment and operators)

[SOURCE: ISO 8373:2012, 2.7 modified – "monitoring" has been changed to "to monitor", "robot" has been changed to "machine", "communication" has been changed to "communicate" and "users" has been changed to "operators"]

3.205

manual mode

operating mode in which the machine can be operated by, for example, pushbuttons or a joystick and that excludes operation in **automatic mode**

Note 1 to entry: It includes manual cleaning and transportation modes.

[SOURCE: ISO 8373:2012, 5.3.10.2, modified – "robot" has been changed to "machine", "operation" has been changed to "mode" and the note to entry has been added]