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## Foreword

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The procedures used to develop this document and those intended for its further maintenance are described in the ISO/IEC Directives, Part 1. In particular, the different approval criteria needed for the different types of ISO documents should be noted. This document was drafted in accordance with the editorial rules of the ISO/IEC Directives, Part 2 (see [www.iso.org/directives](http://www.iso.org/directives)).

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This third edition cancels and replaces the second edition (ISO 10535:2006), which has been technically revised.

The main changes are as follows:

- aspects on hoists with robotic features has been included;
- guidelines regarding compatibility of hoists/body-support units have been included;
- the informative annex on Inspection has been further developed;
- lowering of minimum capacity of a mobile hoist from 120 kg to 100 kg;
- requirement of emergency lowering device for mobile hoist and standing/raising hoists has been included.

Any feedback or questions on this document should be directed to the user's national standards body. A complete listing of these bodies can be found at [www.iso.org/members.html](http://www.iso.org/members.html).

This corrected version of ISO 10535:2021 incorporates the following correction:

- in [4.2.5.2](#), the sentence "Electrically operated hoists shall conform to IEC 60601-1:2005+AMD1:2012, Clause 14 regarding electrical safety unless requirements are covered by this document." has been added at the beginning of the first paragraph.

## Introduction

It appears from studies that the nursing and caring profession involves many physically burdening factors in the caring for and nursing of persons with disabilities. A hoist offers a safe means of supportive lifting and moving, either assisted or independently.

This document specifies requirements and test methods that are relevant to hoists for the transfer of persons with disabilities. This document addresses further needs in terms of providing safety for both the person with a disability and the attendant, while taking into account the potential new development within robotic technology on hoist solutions.

# Assistive products — Hoists for the transfer of persons — Requirements and test methods

## 1 Scope

This document specifies requirements and test methods for hoists and body-support units intended for the transfer of persons with disabilities. The document applies to the following products classified in ISO 9999:—<sup>1)</sup>.

- 12 36 03 Mobile hoists for transferring a person in sitting position with sling seats;
- 12 36 04 Mobile hoists for transferring a person in standing position;
- 12 36 06 Mobile hoists for transferring a person in sitting position with solid seats;
- 12 36 09 Mobile hoists for transferring a person in lying position;
- 12 36 12 Stationary hoists fixed to walls, floor or ceiling;
- 12 36 15 Stationary hoists fixed to, or mounted in or on, another product;
- 12 36 18 Stationary free-standing hoists;
- 12 36 21 Body-support units for hoists.

This document covers different types of mobile and stationary hoists. Some of the requirements and test methods are general and others are only valid for specific product types.

[Annexes A, B and C](#) provide general recommendations.

This document does not apply to devices that transport persons between two levels (floors) of a building.

It does not include methods for the determination of ageing or corrosion of such hoists and units.

It does not include methods to qualify individual units prior to use.

The requirements of this document are formulated with regard to the needs of both the persons being hoisted and the attendant using the hoist.

## 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 3746, *Acoustics — Determination of sound power levels and sound energy levels of noise sources using sound pressure — Survey method using an enveloping measurement surface over a reflecting plane*

ISO 3758, *Textiles — Care labelling code using symbols*

ISO 10993-1, *Biological evaluation of medical devices — Part 1: Evaluation and testing within a risk management process*

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

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ISO 15223-1:2021, *Medical devices — Symbols to be used with information to be supplied by the manufacturer — Part 1: General requirements*

ISO 20417, *Medical devices — Information to be supplied by the manufacturer*

IEC 60204-1, *Safety of machinery - Electrical equipment of machines - Part 1: General requirements*

IEC 60529, *Degrees of protection provided by enclosures (IP Code)*

IEC 60601-1:2005+AMD1:2012+AMD2:2020, *Medical electrical equipment — Part 1: General requirements for basic safety and essential performance*

IEC 60601-1-2:2014, *Medical electrical equipment — Part 1-2: General requirements for safety — Collateral standard: Electromagnetic compatibility — Requirements and tests*

IEC 60601-1-11, *Medical electrical equipment — Part 1-11: General requirements for basic safety and essential performance - Collateral Standard: Requirements for medical electrical equipment and medical electrical systems used in the home healthcare environment*

IEC 61672-1, *Electroacoustics — Sound level meters — Part 1: Specifications*

EN 853, *Rubber hoses and hose assemblies — Wire braid reinforced hydraulic type — Specification*

EN 854, *Rubber hoses and hose assemblies — Textile reinforced hydraulic type — Specification*

EN 1021-1, *Furniture — Assessment of the ignitability of upholstered furniture — Part 1: Ignition source smouldering cigarette*

EN 1021-2, *Furniture — Assessment of the ignitability of upholstered furniture — Part 2: Ignition source match flame equivalent*

EN 13480-3:2017, *Metallic industrial piping — Part 3: Design and calculation*

### 3 Terms and definitions

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

##### **adverse condition**

condition in which failure is most likely to occur

#### 3.2

##### **attendant**

person who operates the hoist if not the *person with disability* (3.36)

#### 3.3

##### **backrest**

part of the *body-support unit* (3.6) that provides support to the back of the person being lifted in a hoist

#### 3.4

##### **backwards**

180° to the *forwards* (3.20) direction of travel