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**Needle-based injection systems for  
medical use — Requirements and test  
methods —**

Part 4:  
**Needle-based injection systems  
containing electronics**

*Systèmes d'injection à aiguille pour usage médical — Exigences et  
méthodes d'essai —*

*Partie 4: Systèmes d'injection à aiguille contenant de l'électronique*



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## Foreword

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This second edition cancels and replaces the first edition (ISO 11608-4:2006), which has been technically revised.

The main changes are as follows:

- this document has been revised in its entirety to include requirements from the IEC 60601 series that pertain to hand-held medical injectors.

A list of all parts in the ISO 11608 series can be found on the ISO website.

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).

## Introduction

Needle-based injection systems, including on-body delivery systems (OBDSs), containing electronics with or without software, are primarily intended to administer medicinal products to humans. Performance requirements regarding essential electrotechnical aspects have been selected with the intention not to restrict the Electronic Needle-based Injection System (NIS-E) design unnecessarily when applying the document.

The first edition of this document was limited to pen-injectors with electromechanical drive. Pen-injectors only equipped with electronics were covered in ISO 11608-1.

Materials used for construction are not specified in this document, as their selection will depend on the design, the intended use and the process of manufacture used by individual manufacturers.

There are other international and national standards and guidance publications and, in some countries, national regulations that are applicable to medical devices and pharmaceuticals. This document is applicable to NIS-E and specifies relevant aspects of IEC 60601-1:2005+AMD1:2012+AMD2:2020, IEC 60601-1-2:2014+AMD1:2020 and IEC 60601-1-11:2015+AMD1:2020 for this particular device type.

This document does not specify non-electrotechnical requirements and test methods for NISs when specified by ISO 11608-1.

Developers and manufacturers of NIS-Es are encouraged to investigate and determine whether there are any other requirements relevant to the safety or marketability of their NIS-Es. For example, this document should be used in conjunction with IEC 60601-1, IEC 60601-1-2 and IEC 60601-1-11. A risk-based approach is expected to be applied during the design, development, and manufacture of the product. Given the specific medicinal product intended use and environment, this might result in product-specific requirements and test methods that differ from what is outlined in this document.

This document is intended to be used for type testing (testing of the development result) of NIS-E. It is not intended to be used for batch release testing.

This document introduces the notion of Type X NIS-E and Type Y NIS-E. Type X NIS-E is a device type without any physical cabled connection to other devices. Type Y NIS-E has such connections. The electrical requirements in this document for Type X NIS-E is a subset of the requirements for Type Y NIS-E.

# Needle-based injection systems for medical use — Requirements and test methods —

## Part 4:

## Needle-based injection systems containing electronics

### 1 Scope

This document specifies requirements and test methods for needle-based injection systems (NISs) containing electronics with or without software (NIS-Es).

The needle-based injection system containing electronics can be single use or reusable and can be operated with or without electrical/conductive connections to other devices. The system is intended to deliver medication to a patient by self-administration or by administration by one other operator (e.g. caregiver or health care provider).

This document applies to electronic accessories that are intended to be physically connected to a NIS or NIS-E according to the NIS/NIS-E intended use.

This document also applies to electronic accessories that are intended to have electrical/conductive connections to a NIS or NIS-E according to the NIS/NIS-E intended use.

This document does not specify requirements for software in programmable NIS-E.

NOTE IEC 60601-1:2005+AMD1:2012+AMD2:2020, Clause 14 addresses software life cycle processes.

This document does not specify requirements for cybersecurity.

### 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.

CISPR 11, *Industrial, scientific and medical equipment – Radio-frequency disturbance characteristics – Limits and methods of measurement*

CISPR 32, *Electromagnetic compatibility of multimedia equipment — Emission requirements*

ISO 11608-1:2022, *Needle-based injection systems for medical use — Requirements and test methods — Part 1: Needle-based injection systems*

ISO 7137, *Aircraft — Environmental conditions and test procedures for airborne equipment*

ISO 14971:2019, *Medical devices — Application of risk management to medical devices*

IEC 60086-4, *Primary batteries — Part 4: Safety of lithium batteries*

IEC 60068-2-64, *Environmental testing — Part 2-64: Tests — Test Fh: Vibration, broadband random and guidance*

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+AMD1:2020, *Medical electrical equipment — Part 1-2: General requirements for basic safety and essential performance — Collateral Standard: Electromagnetic disturbances — Requirements and tests*

IEC 60601-1-11:2015+AMD1:2020, *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 60721-3-7:1995+AMD1:1996, *Classification of environmental conditions — Part 3-7: Classification of groups of environmental parameters and their severities — Portable and non-stationary use*

IEC 62133-2, *Secondary cells and batteries containing alkaline or other non-acid electrolytes — Safety requirements for portable sealed secondary lithium cells, and for batteries made from them, for use in portable applications — Part 2: Lithium systems*

IEC 62304, *Medical device software — Software life cycle processes*

IEC 62366-1, *Medical devices — Part 1: Application of usability engineering to medical devices*

IEC 60695-11-10:2013, *Fire hazard testing — Part 11-10: Test flames — 50 W horizontal and vertical flame test methods*

IEC 60950-1:2005+AMD1:2009+AMD2:2013, *Information technology equipment — Safety — Part 1: General requirements*

IEC 60747-5-5, *Semiconductor devices — Part 5-5: Optoelectronic devices — Photocouplers*

IEC 61000-3-2, *Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) — Part 3-2: Limits — Limits for harmonic current emissions (equipment input current  $\leq 16$  A per phase)*

IEC 61000-3-3, *Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) - Part 3-3: Limits — Limitation of voltage changes, voltage fluctuations and flicker in public low-voltage supply systems, for equipment with rated current  $\leq 16$  A per phase and not subject to conditional connection*

IEC 61000-4-2:2008, *Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) — Part 4-2: Testing and measurement techniques - Electrostatic discharge immunity test*

IEC 61000-4-3, *Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) — Part 4-3: Testing and measurement techniques — Radiated, radio-frequency, electromagnetic field immunity test*

IEC 61000-4-4, *Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) — Part 4-4: Testing and measurement techniques - Electrical fast transient/burst immunity test*

IEC 61000-4-5, *Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) — Part 4-5: Testing and measurement techniques — Surge immunity test*

IEC 61000-4-6, *Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) — Part 4-6: Testing and measurement techniques — Immunity to conducted disturbances, induced by radio-frequency fields*

IEC 61000-4-8, *Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) — Part 4-8: Testing and measurement techniques — Power frequency magnetic field immunity test*

IEC 61000-4-11, *Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) — Part 4-11: Testing and measurement techniques — Voltage dips, short interruptions and voltage variations immunity tests for equipment with input current up to 16 A per phase*

IEC 61000-4-39, *Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) — Part 4-39: Testing and measurement techniques — Radiated fields in close proximity— Immunity test*

IEC 60085, *Electrical insulation — Thermal evaluation and designation*