
**Ophthalmic instruments —
Endoilluminators — Fundamental
requirements and test methods for optical
radiation safety**

*Instruments ophtalmiques — Sondes endolumineuses — Exigences
fondamentales et méthodes d'essai relatives à la sécurité vis-à-vis des
rayonnements optiques*



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Foreword

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Ophthalmic instruments — Endoilluminators — Fundamental requirements and test methods for optical radiation safety

1 Scope

This International Standard specifies optical radiation safety aspects of endoilluminators which are used to illuminate the interior of the eye during ocular surgery. This International Standard is not applicable to other active and non-active ophthalmic instruments and operating microscopes.

2 Normative reference

The following normative document contains provisions which, through reference in this text, constitute provisions of this International Standard. For dated references, subsequent amendments to, or revisions of, any of these publications do not apply. However, parties to agreements based on this International Standard are encouraged to investigate the possibility of applying the most recent edition of the normative document indicated below. For undated references, the latest edition of the normative document referred to applies. Members of ISO and IEC maintain registers of currently valid International Standards.

IEC 60601-1:1988, *Medical Electrical Equipment — Part 1: General requirements for safety*.

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this International Standard, the following terms and definitions apply:

3.1

aperture

opening, usually circular, through which light enters an optical system

3.1.1

effective aperture

portion of the aperture that limits the amount of light delivered to the retina

NOTE For an obscured or noncircular aperture, it is the equivalent nonobscured circular aperture.

3.1.2

numerical aperture

NA

fibre aperture given by the index of refraction (of the medium in which the illuminated object lies) times the sine of the half angle of the cone of illumination

$$NA = n' \sin u'$$

where

n' is the index of refraction (of the medium in which the illuminated object lies) and

u' is the half angle of the cone of illumination