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This second edition cancels and replaces the first edition of IEC 62353 published in 2007.

This edition constitutes a technical revision. The principle revisions are:

a) clarification in 5.3.4.1 that measurements of leakage currents based on test configurations derived from IEC 60601-1 are an allowable alternative method and the inclusion of informative explanation in Annex A;
b) revision of the PROTECTIVE EARTH RESISTANCE requirements for MEDICAL ELECTRICAL SYSTEMS using multiple socket outlets to take account of IEC 60601-1:2005/AMD1:2012 on the safe allowed values of protective earth resistance of plugged-in equipment;
c) the inclusion of expected minimum insulation resistance values in Table 2; and
d) a reordering of the sequence of testing in Annex B.

The text of this standard is based on the following documents:

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| 62A/942/FDIS | 62A/953/RVD |

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This publication has been drafted in accordance with the ISO/IEC Directives, Part 2.

In this standard, the following print types are used:

– requirements and definitions: roman type;

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– “shall” means that compliance with a requirement or a test is mandatory for compliance with this standard;

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– “may” is used to describe a permissible way to achieve compliance with a requirement or test.

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# MEDICAL ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT – RECURRENT TEST AND TEST AFTER REPAIR OF MEDICAL ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT



## 1 Scope

This International Standard applies to testing of MEDICAL ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT and MEDICAL ELECTRICAL SYSTEMS, hereafter referred to as ME EQUIPMENT and ME SYSTEMS, or parts of such equipment or systems, which comply with IEC 60601-1:1988 (second edition) and its amendments and IEC 60601-1: 2005 (third edition) and its amendments, before PUTTING INTO SERVICE, during MAINTENANCE, INSPECTION, SERVICING and after REPAIR or on occasion of RECURRENT TESTS to assess the safety of such ME EQUIPMENT or ME SYSTEMS or parts thereof. For equipment not built to IEC 60601-1 these requirements may be used taking into account the safety standards for the design and information in the instructions for use of that equipment.

This standard contains tables with allowable values relating to different editions of IEC 60601-1. For the purpose of this standard, the application of measuring methods is independent of the edition according to which the ME EQUIPMENT or ME SYSTEM is designed.

This standard contains:

– "general requirements", which contain clauses of general concern, and

– "particular requirements", further clauses handling special types of ME EQUIPMENT or ME SYSTEMS and applying in connection with the "General requirements".

NOTE At this stage, there are no particular requirements.

This standard is not suitable to assess whether ME EQUIPMENT or ME SYSTEMS or any other equipment comply with the relevant standards for their design.

This standard is not applicable to the assembly of ME SYSTEMS. For assembling ME SYSTEMS see Clause 16 of IEC 60601-1:2005 + IEC 60601-1:2005/AMD1:2012[1].

This standard does not define requirements for REPAIR, exchange of components and MODIFICATION of ME EQUIPMENT or ME SYSTEMS.

All MAINTENANCE, INSPECTION, SERVICING, and REPAIR done in accordance with MANUFACTURER's instructions maintain the conformity to the standard used for the design of the equipment. Otherwise conformity to applicable requirements should be assessed and verified, before the tests of this standard are performed.

This standard is also applicable to tests after REPAIR.

IEC 60601-1:2005 + IEC 60601-1:2005/AMD1:2012 requires that, as part of the RISK MANAGEMENT PROCESS, the MANUFACTURER considers how the safety of ME EQUIPMENT or an ME SYSTEM can be ensured during product lifetime. As part of the risk management process the MANUFACTURER may have identified MAINTENANCE procedures. This includes defining the respective tests for ME EQUIPMENT or for ME SYSTEM.

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[1] This citation refers to IEC 60601-1:2005 as amended by Amendment 1 published in 2012.

The MANUFACTURER may have defined necessary measurement settings and methods including performance assurance tests in the instructions for use or other ACCOMPANYING DOCUMENTS. This standard provides consistent test procedures.

This standard is not intended to define time intervals for RECURRENT TESTS. If such intervals are not defined by the MANUFACTURER, Annex F can be used to help establish such intervals.

Testing of the electrical installation, including the SUPPLY MAINS and associated wiring, in medical locations is excluded from this standard. Such tests are covered by IEC 60364-7-710 or national equivalents,

## 2 Normative references

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IEC 60601-1:1988, *Medical electrical equipment – Part 1: General requirements for safety*
IEC 60601-1:1988/AMD1:1991
IEC 60601-1:1988/AMD 2:1995

IEC 60601-1:2005, *Medical electrical equipment – Part 1: General requirements for basic safety and essential performance* [2]
IEC 60601-1:2005/AMD1:2012

IEC 60417, *Graphical symbols for use on equipment.* Available from: <http://www.graphical-symbols.info/equipment>

IEC 61010-1, *Safety requirements for electrical equipment for measurement, control and laboratory use – Part 1: General requirements*

IEC 61010-031, *Safety requirements for electrical equipment for measurement, control and laboratory use – Part 031: Safety requirements for hand-held probe assemblies for electrical measurement and test*

IEC 61140, *Protection against electric shock – Common aspects for installation and equipment*

IEC 61557-1, *Electrical safety in low voltage distribution systems up to 1 000 V a.c. and 1 500 V d.c. – Equipment for testing, measuring or monitoring of protective measures – Part 1: General requirements*

## 3 Terms and definitions

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

NOTE Some of the definitions are necessarily different from those in IEC 60601-1, as different measuring methods are used.



2 There exists a consolidated edition 3.1 including IEC 60601-1:2005 and its Amendment 1 (2012).