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# Annex ZA

(normative)

# Normative references to international publications with their corresponding European publications

The following documents, in whole or in part, are normatively referenced in this document and are indispensable for its application. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

NOTE 1 When an International Publication has been modified by common modifications, indicated by (mod), the relevant EN/HD applies.

NOTE 2 Up-to-date information on the latest versions of the European Standards listed in this annex is available here: <u>www.cenelec.eu</u>.

### Annex ZA of EN 60601-1:2006 applies, except as follows:

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Addition to Annex	ZA of E	N 60601-1:2006:		
IEC 60601-1	2005	Medical electrical equipment -	EN 60601-1	2006
-	-	Part 1: General requirements for basic safety and essential performance	+ corrigendum Mar.	2010
+ A1	2012		+ A1	2013
-	-		+ A1/AC	2014
-	-	1	+ A12	2014
IEC 60601-2-1	2009	Medical electrical equipment - Part 2-1: Particular requirements for the basic safety and essential performance of electron accelerators in the range 1 MeV to 50 MeV	-	-
IEC 60601-2-8	2010	Medical electrical equipment - Part 2-8: Particular requirements for the basic safety and essential performance of therapeutic X-ray equipment operating in the range 10 kV to 1 MV	EN 60601-2-8	1)
IEC 60601-2-11	2013	Medical electrical equipment - Part 2-11: Particular requirements for the basic safety and essential performance of gamma beam therapy equipment	EN 60601-2-11	2015
IEC 61005 (mod)	2003	Radiation protection instrumentation - Neutron ambient dose equivalent (rate) meters	EN 61005	2004

<sup>1)</sup> To be published.

Publication	Year	<u>Title</u>	<u>EN/HD</u>	Year
IEC 62083	2009	Medical electrical equipment - Requirements for the safety of radiotherapy treatment planning systems	EN 62083	2009
IEC/TR 60788	2004	Medical electrical equipment - Glossary of defined terms	-	-
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## Annex ZZ

(informative)

## **Coverage of Essential Requirements of EU Directives**

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Compliance with this standard provides one means of conformity with the specified essential requirements of the Directive concerned.

WARNING: Other requirements and other EU Directives can be applied to the products falling within the scope of this standard.

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### INTRODUCTION

The delivery of RADIOTHERAPY over short distances is called BRACHYTHERAPY. BRACHYTHERAPY is delivered by positioning RADIATION SOURCES within or adjacent to the tissue to be treated. Historically, RADIOACTIVE SOURCES were handled manually, resulting in IRRADIATION of the OPERATOR'S hands. AFTERLOADING generally refers to the technique of placing an applicator into or adjacent to the tissue to be treated, and introducing one or more RADIATION SOURCE(S) only after the applicator position has been confirmed. This procedure minimizes the time during which the operator is exposed to the RADIATION SOURCE(S). Manual AFTERLOADING techniques were developed in the 1950s and are used routinely today for permanent implants, but less frequently for temporary implants.

Temporary implants require the use of higher dose rates, to ensure that the treatment can be completed in a length of time easily tolerated by the PATIENT. In the 1980s, automatic remote AFTERLOADING techniques were developed, that could move a RADIOACTIVE SOURCE or SOURCES through connecting tubes from a shielded safe to the applicators implanted in the patient. Because the SOURCE(S) could be moved remotely, the risk of exposure to personnel could be eliminated.

In 2007 an automatic remote afterloader was introduced that replaced the conventional RADIOACTIVE SOURCE(S) with an X-ray source. This device otherwise performed similarly to AFTERLOADERS containing RADIOACTIVE SOURCES. However, the X-ray source could be disabled when not in use, removing any risk of IRRADIATION. BRACHYTHERAPY devices that employ X-ray source(s) are subject to the requirements of IEC 60601-2-8, in addition to those of this standard.

The use of AFTERLOADING ME EQUIPMENT for BRACHYTHERAPY purposes may expose PATIENTS to danger if the ME EQUIPMENT fails to deliver the required dose to the PATIENT, or if the ME EQUIPMENT design does not satisfy standards of electrical and mechanical safety. The ME EQUIPMENT may also cause danger to persons in the vicinity if the ME EQUIPMENT itself fails to contain the RADIOACTIVE SOURCE(S) adequately within the STORAGE CONTAINER(S), if the X-RAY TUBE is energized inappropriately, or if there are inadequacies in the design of the TREATMENT ROOM.

This particular standard establishes requirements to be complied with by MANUFACTURERS in the design and construction of AFTERLOADING ME EQUIPMENT for use in temporary BRACHYTHERAPY procedures; it does not attempt to define their optimum performance requirements. Its purpose is to identify those features of design that are regarded, at the present time, as essential for the safe operation of such ME EQUIPMENT. It places limits on the degradation of ME EQUIPMENT performance beyond which it can be presumed that a fault condition exists and at which an INTERLOCK then operates to disable the X-RAY TUBE(S) or return the RADIOACTIVE SOURCE(S) to the STORAGE CONTAINER(S) and afterwards to prevent continued operation of the ME EQUIPMENT.

### MEDICAL ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT -

### Part 2-17: Particular requirements for the basic safety and essential performance of automatically-controlled brachytherapy afterloading equipment

### 201.1 Scope, object and related standards

Clause 1 of the general standard<sup>1</sup> applies, except as follows:

### 201.1.1 Scope

Replacement:

This International Standard applies to the BASIC SAFETY and ESSENTIAL PERFORMANCE of automatically-controlled BRACHYTHERAPY AFTERLOADING ME EQUIPMENT, hereafter referred to as ME EQUIPMENT.

If a clause or subclause is specifically intended to be applicable to ME EQUIPMENT only, or to ME SYSTEMS only, the title and content of that clause or subclause will say so. If that is not the case, the clause or subclause applies both to ME EQUIPMENT and to ME SYSTEMS, as relevant.

HAZARDS inherent in the intended physiological function of ME EQUIPMENT or ME SYSTEMS within the scope of this standard are not covered by specific requirements in this standard except in 7.2.13 and 8.4.1 of the general standard.

NOTE See also 4.2 of the general standard.

This standard applies to automatically-controlled BRACHYTHERAPY AFTERLOADING ME EQUIPMENT used for treatment or alleviation of disease.

This standard specifies requirements

- a) for automatically-controlled AFTERLOADING ME EQUIPMENT
  - 1) which contains and uses only beta, gamma, or NEUTRON-emitting SEALED RADIOACTIVE SOURCES, or BRACHYTHERAPY X-RAY SOURCES designed and constructed for use with automatically-controlled AFTERLOADING ME EQUIPMENT,
  - 2) which automatically drives the RADIATION SOURCE(S) from a STORAGE CONTAINER or, in the case of BRACHYTHERAPY X-RAY SOURCES, a reference location outside the PATIENT, to a treatment position inside the SOURCE APPLICATOR(S) and returns the RADIATION SOURCE(S) to the STORAGE CONTAINER or the BRACHYTHERAPY X-RAY SOURCE(S) to the reference location,
  - 3) which is designed for connection to a PATIENT, and
  - 4) with which movements of the RADIATION SOURCE(S) are carried out automatically by the ME EQUIPMENT according to a prescribed programme using a powered mechanism whose changes are controlled by the CONTROLLING TIMER(S) and TIMING DEVICES that are either PROGRAMMABLE ELECTRONIC SUB-SYSTEMS (PESS) (computer or microprocessors) or non-programmable systems and
- b) for ME EQUIPMENT intended to be

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The general standard is IEC 60601-1:2005+A1:2012, *Medical electrical equipment – Part 1: General requirements for basic safety and essential performance*