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## European foreword

This document (EN 13976-2:2018) has been prepared by Technical Committee CEN/TC 239 “Rescue systems”, the secretariat of which is held by DIN.

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The following points represent the most important technical changes in the revision:

- a) clarified unclear issues about mass of the transport incubator system;
- b) a requirement for the infant restraint system was included.

EN 13976 consists of the following parts, under the general title *Rescue systems — Transportation of incubators*:

- *Part 1: Interface requirements*
- *Part 2: System requirements*

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## **Introduction**

This European Standard gives the requirements for a transport incubator system that will ensure its interchangeability as well as its safe and effective function in different vehicles or crafts. Such systems are essential in allowing the uninterrupted care of infants.

Interface requirements are given in part 1 (EN 13976-1).

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## 1 Scope

This European Standard specifies the requirements for a transport incubator system needed for care and treatment of infants, used in emergency or planned transport.

It specifies the particular requirements needed to ensure the proper function of equipment during transportation (e.g. monitors, respirators, infusion pumps, extra corporeal lung support- (ECLS-) systems, gas supply) and to provide safe transportation for infants and operators.

This European Standard also specifies that the equipment or systems shall not interfere with the functions of the road and air ambulance providing transportation.

This European Standard does not give requirements for the vehicles, crafts, devices or incubators as such, these requirements are found in other standards. However, transport incubators are normally combined with other equipment to form a “transport incubator system”.

## 2 Normative references

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.

EN 1789:2007+A2:2014, *Medical vehicles and their equipment — Road ambulances*

EN 1865-1:2010+A1:2015, *Patient handling equipment used in road ambulances — Part 1: General stretcher systems and patient handling equipment*

EN 1865-2:2010+A1:2015, *Patient handling equipment used in road ambulances — Part 2: Power assisted stretcher*

EN 13718-1:2014, *Medical vehicles and their equipment — Air ambulances — Part 1: Requirements for medical devices used in air ambulances*

EN 13718-2:2015, *Medical vehicles and their equipment — Air ambulances — Part 2: Operational and technical requirements for air ambulances*

EN 13976-1:2018, *Rescue systems — Transportation of incubators — Part 1: Interface requirements*

EN 60529:1991,<sup>1</sup> *Degrees of protection provided by enclosures (IP Code) (IEC 60529:1989 + A1:1999 + A2:2013)*

EN 60601-1:2006,<sup>2</sup> *Medical electrical equipment — Part 1: General requirements for basic safety and essential performance (IEC 60601-1:2005+Cor.:2006+Cor.:2007+A1:2012)*

EN 60601-1-2:2015, *Medical electrical equipment — Part 1-2: General requirements for basic safety and essential performance — Collateral Standard: Electromagnetic disturbances — Requirements and tests (IEC 60601-1-2:2014)*

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<sup>1</sup> As impacted by EN 60529:1991/corrigendum May 1993, EN 60529:1991/A1:2000, EN 60529:1991/A2:2013 and EN 60529:1991/AC:2016-2.

<sup>2</sup> As impacted by EN 60601-1:2006/corrigendum Mar. 2010, EN 60601-1:2006/A1:2013, EN 60601-1:2006/A1:2013/AC:2014 and EN 60601-1:2006/A12:2014

EN 60601-1-12:2015, *Medical electrical equipment — Part 1-12: General requirements for basic safety and essential performance — Collateral Standard: Requirements for medical electrical equipment and medical electrical systems intended for use in the emergency medical services environment (IEC 60601-1-12:2014)*

EN 60601-2-20:2009, *Medical electrical equipment — Part 2-20: Particular requirements for the basic safety and essential performance of infant transport incubators (IEC 60601-2-20:2009)*

European Aviation Safety Agency (EASA) Certification Specifications CS-23, *Normal, Utility, Aerobatic, and Commuter Category Aeroplanes*<sup>3</sup>

European Aviation Safety Agency (EASA) Certification Specifications CS-25, *Large Aeroplanes*<sup>3</sup>

European Aviation Safety Agency (EASA) Certification Specifications CS-27, *Small Rotorcraft*<sup>3</sup>

European Aviation Safety Agency (EASA) Certification Specifications CS-29, *Large Rotorcraft*<sup>3</sup>

RTCA DO 160G:2010, Radio Technical Commission for Aeronautics — Environmental conditions and test procedures for airborne equipment<sup>4</sup>

### 3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in EN 13976-1:2018 apply.

## 4 General requirements

### 4.1 System combination

Requirements for interfaces are found in EN 13976-1:2018 and basic requirements for transport incubators are described in EN 60601-2-20:2009.

Any medical device which is part of the transport incubator system shall be designed for use with neonates and infants and for use during transportation. The transport should be performed minimizing manual lifting, lowering or carrying by personnel. All of the equipment that is part of the system shall be tested according to the existing standards relevant to the type of vehicle in which it is to be used. Equipment that is part of the transport incubator system shall be specified by the manufacturer as having an intended use in transportation by road and air ambulances and labelled according to the standard.

NOTE Basic requirements for vehicles used as ambulances and medical devices in these vehicles are described in EN 1789:2007+A2:2014 for road ambulances, in EN 13718-1:2014 and EN 13718-2:2015 for air ambulances and in EN 1865 series for stretchers.

### 4.2 Suspension/noise/comfort (shock-absorption)

Ear defenders for the infants shall be used during all transports. Noise from additional equipment shall not exceed 60 dB(A) as specified in EN 60601-2-20:2009.

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<sup>3</sup> EASA constitutes the European governments transport aircraft airworthiness approval Regulations, and can be obtained from: European Aviation Safety Agency (EASA), Otto Platz 1, Postfach 101253, D-50452 Cologne, Germany, or at [www.easa.europa.eu](http://www.easa.europa.eu).

<sup>4</sup> Publication available at the RTCA Secretariat, Suite 500, 1425 K Street, N.W. Washington DC, 20005, USA <http://www.rtca.org/>