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infusion bottles and injection vials - General  
requirements and test methods (ISO 8872:2022)

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This third edition cancels and replaces the second edition (ISO 8872:2003) and ISO 10985:2009, which have been technically revised.

The main changes are as follows:

- integration of ISO 10985;
- addition of new terms;
- addition of a new [Annex A](#), "Aluminium and aluminium plastic caps - Type drawings";
- addition of a new [Annex B](#), "Opening and tear-off forces".

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## Introduction

The primary materials from which containers, including their elastomeric closures, are made must be suitable for the storage of such products until the products are administered. However, in this document, aluminium caps and aluminium/plastic caps are not considered as primary packaging materials that will come into direct contact with pharmaceutical preparations. Aluminium and aluminium/plastic caps can be delivered to customers as non-sterile products or as sterile products.

# Aluminium caps and aluminium/plastic caps for infusion bottles and injection vials — General requirements and test methods

## 1 Scope

This document specifies general requirements and test methods for aluminium caps and aluminium/plastic caps intended for use on infusion bottles and/or injection vials.

## 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.

ISO 6892-1, *Metallic materials — Tensile testing — Part 1: Method of test at room temperature*

ISO 7500-1, *Metallic materials — Calibration and verification of static uniaxial testing machines — Part 1: Tension/compression testing machines — Calibration and verification of the force-measuring system*

ISO 8362-3, *Injection containers and accessories — Part 3: Aluminium caps for injection vials*

ISO 8362-6, *Injection containers and accessories — Part 6: Caps made of aluminium-plastics combinations for injection vials*

ISO 8362-7, *Injection containers and accessories — Part 7: Injection caps made of aluminium-plastics combinations without overlapping plastics part*

ISO 8536-3, *Infusion equipment for medical use — Part 3: Aluminium caps for infusion bottles*

ISO 8536-7, *Infusion equipment for medical use — Part 7: Caps made of aluminium-plastics combinations for infusion bottles*

## 3 Terms and definitions

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

ISO and IEC maintain terminology databases for use in standardization at the following addresses:

— ISO Online browsing platform: available at <https://www.iso.org/obp>

— IEC Electropedia: available at <https://www.electropedia.org/>

### 3.1

#### **coating**

surface lacquer or polymer layer on the aluminium part of the cap

Note 1 to entry: The coating allows for better processing and product differentiation.

### 3.2

#### **crimping**

act of fixating the aluminium or aluminium/plastic cap over the rubber stopper and under the neck of a bottle or vial, such that the stopper is held firmly in place, thereby securing the container/closure integrity of the bottle or vial system