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This third edition cancels and replaces the second edition (ISO 22675:2016), which has been technically revised.

The main changes are as follows:

— test Ranges (R) have been introduced;

— test loading levels P7 and P8 have been introduced in Table 5, 8, 9, 10, 11 and A.1 and the clauses pointing at these tables have been updated;

— Former Annex C has been deleted and integrated in main text;

— Subclause 15.2 has been updated;

— Subclause 16.5 has been added.

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Introduction

This document offers alternatives to the structural tests on ankle-foot devices and foot units specified in ISO 10328:2016, 17.2, which still suffer from several “weaknesses”, such as:

a) the inconsistency of the lines of application of the heel and forefoot test forces with those of the test forces of test loading conditions I and II for the principal structural tests specified in 16.2 (static tests) and 16.3 (cyclic test) of ISO 10328:2016;

b) the unrealistic course and magnitude of loading in the phase between the instants of maximum heel and forefoot loading during the cyclic test;

c) the effect of periodical “stepping in a hollow” during the cyclic test, resulting from simultaneous heel and forefoot loading at different angles.

In this relation, it is important to note that the complexity of the test equipment required for the testing of ankle-foot devices and foot units specified in this document is low, comparable to that of the test equipment required for the corresponding separate structural tests specified in ISO 10328:2016. Apparently, basic components of both types of test equipment are similar and can be re-used in a modified design.

Finally, the potential of the general concept applied to the test procedures specified in this document allows other applications directed to the assessment of specific performance characteristics of ankle-foot devices and foot units that can be of relevance in the future.

NOTE Further guidance on the specification of the test loading conditions and test loading levels and on the design of appropriate test equipment is given in ISO/TR 22676.

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WARNING — This document is not suitable to serve as a guide for the selection of a specific ankle-foot device or foot unit in the prescription of an individual lower limb prosthesis! Any disregard of this warning can result in a safety risk for amputees.

1 Scope

This document primarily specifies a cyclic test procedure for ankle-foot devices and foot units of external lower limb prostheses, these differ in the potential to realistically simulate those loading conditions of the complete stance phase of walking from heel strike to toe-off which is relevant to the verification of performance requirements such as strength, durability and service life.

This potential is of particular importance for the assessment of the performance of a variety of recent designs of ankle-foot devices and foot units with specific characteristics that will only develop under realistic conditions of loading.

In addition, this document specifies a static test procedure for prosthetic ankle-foot devices and foot units, consisting of a static proof test and a static ultimate strength test, distinguished, besides other features (see NOTE), by the potential to generate heel and forefoot forces at lines of action conforming to those occurring at the instants of maximum heel and forefoot loading during the cyclic test.

These loading conditions are characterized by a loading profile determined by the resultant vector of the vertical and horizontal (A-P) ground reaction forces and by a locomotion profile determined by the tibia angle.

The test loading conditions specified in this document are characterized by standardized formats of these loading and locomotion profiles, applied by the cyclic and static test procedures to each sample of ankle-foot device or foot unit submitted for test.

This document specifies Test Ranges (R) by specifying locomotion profiles for the cyclic test in relation to the intended use. According to the concept of the tests of this document, each sample of ankle-foot device or foot unit submitted for test is, nevertheless, free to develop its individual performance under load.

This document is suitable for the assessment and testing of prosthetic ankle-foot devices and foot units with the strength requirements specified in 4.4 of ISO 22523:2006 (see NOTE). Prosthetic ankle-foot devices and foot units on the market, which have demonstrated their compliance with the strength requirements specified in 4.4 of ISO 22523:2006 through submission to the relevant tests of ISO 10328:2016, need not be retested to this document.

NOTE The lines of action of the heel and forefoot forces generated by the static test procedure for Test Range 4 (R4) specified in this document approach those determining the sagittal plane loading of the test loading conditions I and II for the principal structural tests referring to ISO 10328:2016, without changing the values of the angles of the heel and forefoot platform(s) for the structural tests on ankle-foot devices and foot units specified in ISO 10328:2016.

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 7000, *Graphical symbols for use on equipment — Registered symbols*

ISO 8549-1, *Prosthetics and orthotics — Vocabulary — Part 1: General terms for external limb prostheses and external orthoses*

ISO 10328:2016, *Prosthetics — Structural testing of lower-limb prostheses — Requirements and test methods*

ISO 22523:2006, *External limb prostheses and external orthoses — Requirements and test methods*

IEC 60417, *Graphical symbols for use on equipment*

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in ISO 8549-1 and the following 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
proof strength
static load representing an occasional severe event, which can be sustained by the ankle-foot device or foot unit and still allow it to function as intended

3.2
ultimate strength
static load representing a gross single event, which can be sustained by the ankle-foot device or foot unit but which could render it thereafter unusable

3.3
fatigue strength
cyclic load that can be sustained by the ankle-foot device or foot unit for a given number of cycles

3.4
batch
set of test samples of an ankle-foot device or foot unit submitted together to a test laboratory/facility to undertake tests to demonstrate conformity with requirements

3.5
shock absorption capacity
capacity of a specimen to absorb energy by deflection without a proportional increase of force

3.6
test force
force applied to a sample under test

Note 1 to entry: Test equipment, build to test to previous versions of this document (using compression force with a positive sign) do not need to be reprogrammed.

3.7
accuracy of equipment
accuracy to which the test equipment and any jig and measuring device measures linear and angular dimensions, test forces and the frequency of cyclic tests

3.8
accuracy of procedure
tolerances with which linear and angular dimensions are set and finally adjusted, test forces and tilting angles are applied and the frequency of cyclic tests is controlled