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IEC/TR 61340-1	-	Electrostatics - Part 1: Electrostatic phenomena - Principles and measurements	-	-
IEC 61340-2-1	-	Electrostatics - Part 2-1: Measurement methods - Ability of materials and products to dissipate static electric charge	EN 61340-2-1	-
IEC 61340-2-3	-	Electrostatics - Part 2-3: Methods of test for determining the resistance and resistivity of solid materials used to avoid electrostatic charge accumulation	EN 61340-2-3	-
IEC 61340-4-1	-	Electrostatics - Part 4-1: Standard test methods for specific applications - Electrical resistance of floor coverings and installed floors	EN 61340-4-1	-
IEC/TS 61340-4-2	2013	Electrostatics - Part 4-2: Standard test methods for specific applications - Electrostatic properties of garments	-	-
IEC 61340-4-3	-	Electrostatics - Part 4-3: Standard test methods for specific applications - Footwear	EN IEC 61340-4-3	-
IEC 61340-4-5	-	Electrostatics - Part 4-5: Standard test methods for specific applications - Methods for characterizing the electrostatic protection of footwear and flooring in combination with a person	EN IEC 61340-4-5	-
IEC 61340-5-1	-	Electrostatics - Part 5-1: Protection of electronic devices from electrostatic phenomena - General requirements	EN 61340-5-1	-

- ISO 18080-2 - Textiles - Test methods for evaluating the electrostatic propensity of fabrics - Part 2: Test method using rotary mechanical friction -
- ISO 18080-3 - Textiles - Test methods for evaluating the electrostatic propensity of fabrics - Part 3: Test method using manual friction -
- ISO 18080-4 - Textiles - Test methods for evaluating the electrostatic propensity of fabrics - Part 4: Test method using horizontal mechanical friction -
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## INTRODUCTION

Static electricity can be the source of several hazards to patients, staff and equipment in healthcare facilities. Such hazards include:

- electromagnetic disturbance or electrostatic discharge (ESD) disruption or damage to medical instrumentation and data processing equipment;
- damage to ESD susceptible electronic components and assemblies during service and maintenance;
- electrostatic attraction (ESA) and contamination;
- ignition of flammable gases, liquids and other materials, and
- electrostatic shocks to people.

Adequate electrostatic control can eliminate these hazards, or at least reduce residual risk to tolerable levels.

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