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Preface

This Standard was prepared by the Joint Standards Australia/Standards New Zealand Committee HE-003, Medical Electrical Equipment.

The objective of this document is to specify requirements for the basic safety and essential performance of dental units, dental patient chairs, dental handpieces and dental operating lights, hereafter referred to as dental equipment.

Hazards inherent in the intended physiological function of ME equipment or ME systems within the scope of this document are not covered by specific requirements in this document except in Clauses 7.2.13 and 8.4.1 of the general Standard.

NOTE See also Clause 4.2 of the general Standard.

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MEDICAL ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT –

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and essential performance of dental equipment**

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This second edition cancels and replaces the first edition published in 2012. This edition constitutes a technical revision.

This edition includes the following significant technical changes with respect to the previous edition:

- a) alignment with IEC 60601-1:2005 and IEC 60601-1:2005/AMD1:2012.

The text of this International Standard is based on the following documents:

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62D/1683/FDIS	62D/1691/RVD

Full information on the voting for the approval of this International Standard can be found in the report on voting indicated in the above table.

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References to clauses within this document are preceded by the term “Clause” followed by the clause number. References to subclauses within this particular standard are by number only.

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- withdrawn,
- replaced by a revised edition, or
- amended.

MEDICAL ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT –

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201.1 Scope, object and related standards

Clause 1 of the general standard¹ applies, except as follows:

201.1.1 Scope

Replacement:

This part of IEC 80601 applies to the BASIC SAFETY and ESSENTIAL PERFORMANCE OF DENTAL UNITS, DENTAL PATIENT CHAIRS, DENTAL HANDPIECES AND DENTAL OPERATING LIGHTS, hereafter referred to as DENTAL 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 document are not covered by specific requirements in this document except in 7.2.13 and 8.4.1 of the general standard.

NOTE See also 4.2 of the general standard.

201.1.2 Object

Replacement:

The object of this particular standard is to establish BASIC SAFETY and ESSENTIAL PERFORMANCE requirements for DENTAL EQUIPMENT (as defined in 201.3.202.)

201.1.3 Collateral standards

Addition:

This particular standard refers to those applicable collateral standards that are listed in Clause 2 of the general standard and Clause 201.2 of this particular standard.

IEC 60601-1-3 and IEC 60601-1-10 do not apply. All other published collateral standards in the IEC 60601-1 series apply as published.

¹ The general standard is IEC 60601-1:2005 and IEC 60601-1:2005/AMD1:2012, *Medical electrical equipment – Part 1: General requirements for basic safety and essential performance.*

201.1.4 Particular standards

Replacement:

In the IEC 60601 series, particular standards may modify, replace or delete requirements contained in the general standard and collateral standards as appropriate for the particular ME EQUIPMENT under consideration, and may add other BASIC SAFETY and ESSENTIAL PERFORMANCE requirements.

A requirement of a particular standard takes priority over the general standard.

For brevity, IEC 60601-1:2005 and IEC 60601-1:2005/AMD1:2012 are referred to in this particular standard as the general standard. Collateral standards are referred to by their document number.

The numbering of clauses and subclauses of this particular standard corresponds to that of the general standard with the prefix “201” (e.g. 201.1 in this document addresses the content of Clause 1 of the general standard) or applicable collateral standard with the prefix “20x” where x is the final digit(s) of the collateral standard document number (e.g. 202.4 in this particular standard addresses the content of Clause 4 of the IEC 60601-1-2 collateral standard, 203.4 in this particular standard addresses the content of Clause 4 of the IEC 60601-1-3 collateral standard, etc.). The changes to the text of the general standard are specified by the use of the following words:

"Replacement" means that the clause or subclause of the general standard or applicable collateral standard is replaced completely by the text of this particular standard.

"Addition" means that the text of this particular standard is additional to the requirements of the general standard or applicable collateral standard.

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Subclauses, figures or tables which are additional to those of the general standard are numbered starting from 201.101. However, due to the fact that definitions in the general standard are numbered 3.1 through 3.147, additional definitions in this document are numbered beginning from 201.3.201. Additional annexes are lettered AA, BB, etc., and additional items aa), bb), etc.

Subclauses, figures or tables which are additional to those of a collateral standard are numbered starting from 20x, where “x” is the number of the collateral standard, e.g. 202 for IEC 60601-1-2, 203 for IEC 60601-1-3, etc.

The term “this document” is used to make reference to the general standard, any applicable collateral standards and this particular standard taken together.

Where there is no corresponding clause or subclause in this particular standard, the clause or subclause of the general standard or applicable collateral standard, although possibly not relevant, applies without modification; where it is intended that any part of the general standard or applicable collateral standard, although possibly relevant, is not to be applied, a statement to that effect is given in this particular standard.

201.2 Normative references

NOTE Informative references are listed in the Bibliography.

Clause 2 of the general standard applies, except as follows:

Replacement:

IEC 60825-1:2014, *Safety of laser products – Part 1: Equipment classification and requirements*

Addition:

IEC 60601-1:2005, *Medical electrical equipment – Part 1: General requirements for basic safety and essential performance*
IEC 60601-1:2005/AMD1:2012

IEC 60601-2-2:2017, *Medical electrical equipment – Part 2-2: Particular requirements for the basic safety and essential performance of high frequency surgical equipment and high frequency surgical accessories*

IEC 60601-2-22:2007, *Medical electrical equipment – Part 2-22: Particular requirements for basic safety and essential performance of surgical, cosmetic, therapeutic and diagnostic laser equipment*
IEC 60601-2-22:2007/AMD1:2012

IEC 60601-2-57:2011, *Medical electrical equipment – Part 2-57: Particular requirements for the basic safety and essential performance of non-laser light source equipment intended for therapeutic, diagnostic, monitoring and cosmetic/aesthetic use*

IEC 60664-1:2007, *Insulation coordination for equipment within low-voltage systems – Part 1: Principles, requirements and tests*

IEC 60664-4:2005, *Insulation coordination for equipment within low-voltage systems – Part 4: Consideration of high-frequency voltage stress*

IEC 61180:2016, *High-voltage test techniques for low-voltage equipment – Definitions, test and procedure requirements, test equipment*

IEC 61810-1:2015, *Electromechanical elementary relays – Part 1: General and safety requirements*

ISO 1942:2009, *Dentistry – Vocabulary*

ISO 14457: 2017, *Dentistry – Handpieces and motors*

201.3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in IEC 60601-1:2005 and IEC 60601-1:2005/AMD1:2012, IEC 60601-2-2:2017 and ISO 1942 and the following apply.

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

- IEC Electropedia: available at <http://www.electropedia.org/>
- ISO Online browsing platform: available at <http://www.iso.org/obp>

NOTE An index of defined terms is found beginning on page 40.

Addition:

201.3.201

DENTAL ELECTRICAL MOTOR

HAND-HELD part of the DENTAL HANDPIECE electrically powered by the DENTAL UNIT

201.3.202

DENTAL EQUIPMENT

ME EQUIPMENT with any combination of DENTAL HANDPIECES, DENTAL UNITS, DENTAL PATIENT CHAIRS and DENTAL OPERATING LIGHTS

201.3.203

DENTAL HANDPIECE

HAND-HELD instrument used in dentistry for use in PATIENT treatment and connected to the DENTAL UNIT

201.3.204

DENTAL OPERATING LIGHT

device designed for use by an OPERATOR for illuminating the oral cavity, consisting of a luminaire and one or more lamps

201.3.205

DENTAL PATIENT CHAIR

device designed to support and position the PATIENT for treatment and therefore provided with a range of movements

201.3.206

DENTAL UNIT

assembly of devices designed to provide utilities and amenities for dental treatment, such as compressed air, water or other liquids, suction, electricity, hand- or foot-activated controllers, work surface(s), tray support(s), cuspidor or gasses

Note 1 to entry: This device is usually fitted with conveniently oriented instrument holders and controls, and consists of interconnected sub-units of DENTAL EQUIPMENT and instruments providing a functional unit for dental use.

201.3.207

OPERATOR SIDE OF DENTAL HANDPIECE

part of DENTAL HANDPIECE which is designed to be handheld by the OPERATOR in NORMAL USE

201.3.208

PATIENT SIDE OF DENTAL HANDPIECE

part of DENTAL HANDPIECE which is designed to be introduced into the oral cavity where all parts of the DENTAL HANDPIECE within 80 mm of the tip shall be considered as an APPLIED PART

201.3.209

CORD-CONNECTED MOBILE PARTS OF DENTAL EQUIPMENT

DENTAL EQUIPMENT which is permanently connected to FIXED parts of DENTAL EQUIPMENT and is equipped with castor or wheels for positioning by the OPERATOR and which is intended for the use on an even, obstacle free, floor

201.4 General requirements

Clause 4 of the general standard applies, except as follows:

201.4.3 ESSENTIAL PERFORMANCE

Replacement:

DENTAL EQUIPMENT does not have ESSENTIAL PERFORMANCE unless specified by the manufacturer.

201.5 General requirements for testing of ME EQUIPMENT

Clause 5 of the general standard applies, except as follows:

201.5.3 Ambient temperature, humidity, atmospheric pressure

Amendment of item a):

After the ME EQUIPMENT to be tested has been set up for NORMAL USE (according to 5.7 of general standard), tests are performed within the range of environmental conditions indicated in the technical description (see 7.9.3.1 of general standard) but at least at one temperature within an ambient temperature range +10 °C to 35 °C.

201.6 Classification of ME EQUIPMENT and ME SYSTEMS

Clause 6 of the general standard applies, except as follows:

201.6.2 Protection against electric shock

Replacement:

ME EQUIPMENT energized from an external electrical power source shall be classified as CLASS I ME EQUIPMENT or CLASS II ME EQUIPMENT (see 7.2.6 of IEC 60601-1:2005 and IEC 60601-1:2005/AMD1:2012). Other ME EQUIPMENT shall be classified as INTERNALLY POWERED ME EQUIPMENT.

INTERNALLY POWERED ME EQUIPMENT having a means of connection to a SUPPLY MAINS shall comply with the requirements for CLASS I ME EQUIPMENT or CLASS II ME EQUIPMENT while so connected, and with the requirements for INTERNALLY POWERED ME EQUIPMENT while not so connected.

APPLIED PARTS of DENTAL EQUIPMENT which are connected through water lines shall be considered as TYPE B APPLIED PARTS.

201.7 ME EQUIPMENT identification, marking and documents

Clause 7 of the general standard applies, except as follows:

201.7.2.10 APPLIED PARTS*Addition:*

If a DENTAL EQUIPMENT has only one APPLIED PART or APPLIED PARTS of different degree of protection against electric shock, it is sufficient to place the appropriate symbol of the lowest degree of protection against electrical shock once on the ENCLOSURE of the DENTAL EQUIPMENT. APPLIED PARTS with higher degree of protection shall be marked individually.

201.7.2.11 * Mode of operation*Addition:*

For DENTAL HANDPIECES, no marking is necessary.

For DENTAL ELECTRICAL MOTORS, no marking is necessary.

201.7.9 ACCOMPANYING DOCUMENTS**201.7.9.2 Instructions for use***Additional subclause:***201.7.9.2.101 * Additional instructions for use**

For DENTAL HANDPIECES intended for non-CONTINUOUS OPERATION, the duty cycle shall be provided.

For DENTAL ELECTRICAL MOTORS no explanation of the duty cycle is necessary.

201.8 Protection against electrical HAZARDS from ME EQUIPMENT

Clause 8 of the general standard applies, except as follows:

*Additional subclause:***201.8.4.101 * NEUTRAL ELECTRODE monitoring circuit**

The requirements specified in 201.8.4.101 of IEC 60601-2-2:2017 do not apply for HIGH FREQUENCY SURGICAL EQUIPMENT having a RATED OUTPUT POWER not exceeding 50W.

201.8.5.2 Separation of PATIENT CONNECTIONS*Additional subclause:***201.8.5.2.101 * APPLIED PARTS that form one single APPLIED PART**

In a DENTAL EQUIPMENT the DENTAL HANDPIECES may be considered as multiple functions of one APPLIED PART or PATIENT CONNECTIONS of one APPLIED PART.

The combination of several APPLIED PARTS to form one single APPLIED PART is only permitted if no HAZARDOUS SITUATION occurs when applying several APPLIED PARTS concurrently.