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electrical thermometers (non-predictive  
and predictive), with maximum device**

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## PREFACE

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This Standard is identical with and has been reproduced from EN 12470-3:2000, *Clinical thermometers—Part 3: Performance of compact electrical thermometers (non-predictive and predictive) with maximum device*.

The objective of this Standard is to specify the performance requirements for compact clinical electrical thermometers with maximum device (non-predictive and predictive).

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**1 Scope**

This Part of EN 12470 specifies the performance requirements for compact clinical electrical thermometers with maximum device (non-predictive and predictive).

This European Standard applies to devices that, when taking temperatures, are powered by an internal power supply and that provide a digital indication of temperature.

This European Standard does not apply to clinical electrical thermometers for continuous measurement and thermometers intended to measure skin temperature.

**2 Normative references**

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EN 980	<i>Graphical symbols for use in the labelling of medical devices</i>
EN 1041	<i>Information supplied by the manufacturer with medical devices</i>
prEN 12470-1: 1998	<i>Clinical thermometers - Part 1: Metallic round-in-glass thermometers with maximum device</i>
EN 60601-1	<i>Medical electrical equipment - Part 1: General requirements for safety</i>
EN 60601-1-2	<i>Medical electrical equipment - Part 1: General requirements for safety - 2: Collateral Standard - Electromagnetic compatibility - Requirements and tests</i>
ISO 2859-2: 1983	<i>Sampling procedures for inspection by attributes - Part 2: Sampling plans indexed by limiting quality (LQ) for isolated lot inspection</i>

**Definitions**

For the purposes of this Part of EN 12470 the following definitions apply:

**3.1 compact electrical thermometer:** Contact thermometer that consists of a temperature probe and an indicating unit permanently connected together.

**3.2 compact predictive thermometer:** Device which calculates the maximum temperature of a probe in contact with a body cavity, without waiting for thermal equilibrium to occur, by heat transfer data and a mathematical algorithm and maintains the calculated maximum temperature value for a specified time or until reset by its user.