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**Ophthalmic implants—Intraocular
lenses**

Part 8: Fundamental requirements

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PREFACE

This Standard was prepared by the Australian members of the Joint Standards Australia/Standards New Zealand Committee HE-012, Surgical Implants. After consultation with stakeholders in both countries, Standards Australia and Standards New Zealand decided to develop this Standard as an Australian, rather than an Australian/New Zealand Standard.

This Standard is identical with and has been reproduced from ISO 11979-8:1999, *Ophthalmic implants—Intraocular lenses—Part 8: Fundamental requirements*.

The objective of this Standard is to specify fundamental requirements for all types of intraocular lenses intended for surgical implantation into the anterior segment of the human eye, excluding corneal implants and transplants.

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11979-1 Part 1: Vocabulary	11979.1 Part 1: Vocabulary
11979-2 Part 2: Optical properties and test methods	11979.2 Part 2: Optical properties and test methods
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11979-4 Part 4: Labelling and information	11979.4 Part 4: Labelling and information
11979-5 Part 5: Biocompatibility	11979.5 Part 5: Biocompatibility
11979-6 Part 6: Shelf-life and transport stability	11979.6 Part 6: Shelf-life and transport stability
11979-7 Part 7: Clinical investigations	11979.7 Part 7: Clinical investigations

INTRODUCTION

This part of ISO 11979 provides fundamental requirements of a general nature for intraocular lenses. It refers to other standards applicable to intraocular lenses for specific methods and requirements.

It always was and still is the intention of Technical Committees ISO/TC 172/SC 7 and CEN/TC 170 to prepare identical ISO and CEN (European Committee for Standardization) standards on intraocular lenses. However, during the preparation of Part 7 of this series, problems were encountered with normative references to the existing ISO 14155 and EN 540 horizontal standards on clinical investigation of medical devices, which are similar but not identical.

ISO and CEN principles concerning normative references made it impossible to continue the preparation of identical International and European Standards on the clinical investigation of intraocular lenses. As a result, two different standards series have had to be prepared. It is the intention of ISO/TC 172/SC 7 and CEN/TC 170 to revise these standards with the goal to end up with identical ones as soon as identical ISO and CEN horizontal standards become available.

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1 Scope

This part of ISO 11979 specifies fundamental requirements for all types of intraocular lenses (IOLs) intended for surgical implantation into the anterior segment of the human eye, excluding corneal implants and transplants.

NOTE If a test method contained in an International Standard referenced by this part of ISO 11979 is not suitable for a certain design or for a certain application, the manufacturer may devise an alternative test method if validation and rationale for that method are documented.

2 Normative references

The following normative documents contain provisions which, through reference in this text, constitute provisions of this part of ISO 11979. For dated references, subsequent amendments to, or revisions of, any of these publications do not apply. However, parties to agreements based on this part of ISO 11979 are encouraged to investigate the possibility of applying the most recent editions of the normative documents indicated below. For undated references, the latest edition of the normative document referred to applies. Members of ISO and IEC maintain registers of currently valid International Standards.

ISO 10993-7:1995, *Biological evaluation of medical devices — Part 7: Ethylene oxide sterilization residuals*.

ISO 11979-1:—¹⁾, *Ophthalmic implants — Intraocular lenses — Part 1: Terminology*.

ISO 11979-2:—¹⁾, *Ophthalmic implants — Intraocular lenses — Part 2: Optical properties and test methods*.

ISO 11979-3:—¹⁾, *Ophthalmic implants — Intraocular lenses — Part 3: Mechanical properties and test methods*.

ISO 11979-4:—¹⁾, *Ophthalmic implants — Intraocular lenses — Part 4: Labelling and information*.

ISO 11979-5:—¹⁾, *Ophthalmic implants — Intraocular lenses — Part 5: Biocompatibility*.

ISO 11979-6:—¹⁾, *Ophthalmic implants — Intraocular lenses — Part 6: Shelf-life and transport stability*.

ISO 11979-7:—¹⁾, *Ophthalmic implants — Intraocular lenses — Part 7: Clinical investigations*.

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this part of ISO 11979, the terms and definitions given in ISO 11979-1 apply.

¹⁾ To be published.