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### Evaluation and routine testing in medical imaging departments

#### Part 2.9:

#### Constancy tests—Equipment for indirect radioscopy and indirect radiography

### 1 Scope and object

#### 1.1 Scope

This part of IEC 61223 applies to those components of X-RAY EQUIPMENT which

- a) generate, influence the propagation of, and detect X-RADIATION, and
- b) process, present and store diagnostic X-ray images in RADIOLOGICAL INSTALLATIONS with diagnostic X-ray systems for INDIRECT RADIOSCOPY and INDIRECT RADIOGRAPHY which use X-RAY IMAGE INTENSIFIERS in conjunction with analogue and/or digital storage systems:
  - closed-circuit television display systems:
  - cut film cameras
  - cine cameras.

This standard is a part of a series of Particular Publications (international standards and technical reports) which define methods of testing the constancy of operation of various sub-systems of diagnostic X-RAY EQUIPMENT.

This standard gives methods of tests for the constancy of properties of diagnostic X-RAY EQUIPMENT as described in IEC 61223-1 (see clause 2).

This part of IEC 61223 is designed to be applicable to equipment for indirect radioscopy and indirect radiography without digital imaging devices.

#### 1.2 Object

This standard defines

- the essential parameters which describe or affect the performance of the above components of X-RAY EQUIPMENT, and
- methods of checking that variations in measured quantities related to those parameters are within acceptable limits, in order to maintain adequate standards of imaging whilst reducing unnecessary IRRADIATION of the PATIENT.

These methods are based upon assessment of radiological information using appropriate TEST DEVICES.

The purpose of the methods is

- to establish a reference level of performance when such equipment is accepted;
- to detect or verify any significant variation in functional parameters which may then require corrective actions.