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*Appareils électromédicaux*

*Partie 2-13:  
Règles particulières de sécurité et  
performance essentielle pour les systèmes d'anesthésie*

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and essential performance of anaesthetic systems**

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It is published as double language standard.

This third edition cancels and replaces the second edition published in 1998. This edition constitutes a technical revision.

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

FDIS	Report on voting
62D/475/FDIS	62D/476/RVD

For information on the voting for the approval of this Particular Standard can be found in the report on voting indicated in the above table. In ISO, the standard has been approved by 13 P-members out of 13 having cast a vote.

This publication has been drafted in accordance with the ISO/IEC Directives, Part 2.

In this Particular Standard, the following print types are used:

- requirements, compliance with which can be tested and definitions: roman type;
- explanations, advice, notes, general statements, exceptions and references: smaller type;

- *test specifications: italic type;*
- TERMS DEFINED IN CLAUSE 2 OF THE GENERAL STANDARD OR OF THIS PARTICULAR STANDARD: SMALL CAPITALS.

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- replaced by a revised edition, or
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## INTRODUCTION

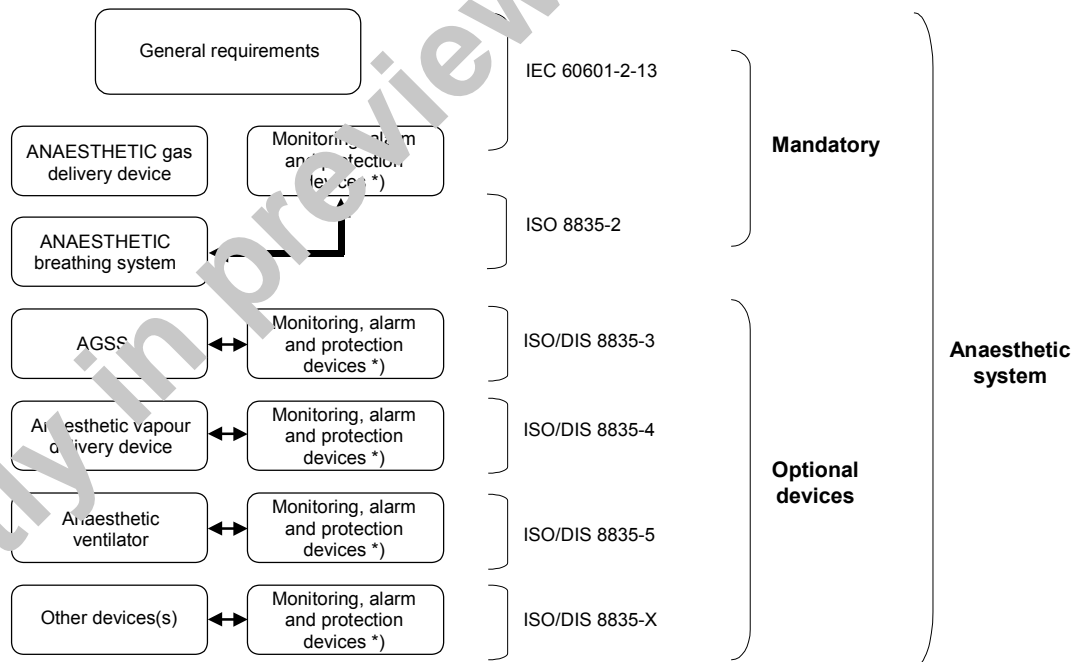
In response to requests for harmonization between the current European and International standards for anaesthetic workstations this standard has been developed by the IEC/ISO Joint Working Group to specify requirements for ANAESTHETIC SYSTEMS supplied complete, as well as requirements for individual devices which are intended to be part of an ANAESTHETIC SYSTEM. It applies in conjunction with IEC 60601-1:1988 (Including all amendments) hereafter referred to as the General Standard. As stated in 1.3 of IEC 60601-1-1988, the requirements in this standard take priority over those of the General Standard.

This standard has been structured to allow USERS to configure an ANAESTHETIC SYSTEM in conformance with professional guidelines and to meet the needs of their clinical practice. In order to achieve this aim, the standard identifies particular requirements pertinent to specific devices, and to their associated MONITORING DEVICE(S), ALARM SYSTEM(S) and PROTECTION DEVICE(S), and defines the interfaces. This standard also specifies requirements for optional devices, together with their respective MONITORING DEVICE(S), ALARM SYSTEM(S) and PROTECTION DEVICE(S).

The indicated requirements are followed by specifications for the relevant tests. An asterisk (\*) denotes clauses for which there is a rationale comment in Annex A. It is considered that knowledge of the reasons for these requirements will facilitate the proper application of the standard and be of use in any revision that may be necessitated by changes in clinical practice or as a result of developments in technology.

NOTE The decimal separator for all numeric values is "," (comma).

The following graphic representation of the structure of this standard is being provided for informational purposes only.



## MEDICAL ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT–

### Part 2-13: Particular requirements for the safety and essential performance of anaesthetic systems

#### SECTION ONE – GENERAL

The clauses and subclauses of this section of the General Standard apply except as follows:

#### 1 Scope and object

This clause of the General Standard applies except as follows:

##### 1.1 Scope

###### *Addition*

This Particular Standard specifies safety and essential performance requirements for an ANAESTHETIC SYSTEM (as defined in 2.101.7) as well as individual devices designed for use in an ANAESTHETIC SYSTEM.

This Particular Standard does not apply to:

- ANAESTHETIC SYSTEM(S) intended for use with flammable anaesthetic agents, as determined by Annex DD,
- portable ANAESTHETIC SYSTEM(S) for use in remote sites, open fields for rescue operations or in disaster areas,
- dental analgesia apparatus.

##### 1.2 Object

###### *Replacement:*

The object of this Particular Standard is to specify particular safety and essential performance requirements for individual devices designed for use in an ANAESTHETIC SYSTEM as well as specific requirements for the ANAESTHETIC GAS DELIVERY SYSTEM. This standard specifies requirements and defines interfaces for:

- individual devices designed for use in an ANAESTHETIC SYSTEM(S), and
- integrated ANAESTHETIC SYSTEMS.

##### 1.3 Particular Standards

This Particular Standard amends and supplements a set of IEC publications consisting of IEC 60601-1:1988, *Medical electrical equipment – Part 1: General requirements for safety*, its amendment 1 (1991) and amendment 2 (1995), hereinafter referred to as the “General Standard”.

The General Standard takes into account IEC 60601-1-1:2000, *Medical electrical equipment – Part 1-1: General requirements for safety – Collateral standard: Safety requirements for medical electrical systems* and IEC 60601-1-2:2001, *Medical electrical equipment – Part 1-2: General requirements for safety – Collateral standard: Electromagnetic compatibility – Requirements and tests*.

The numbering of sections, clauses and subclauses of this Particular Standard corresponds with that of the General Standard. 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 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.

“Amendment” means that the clause or subclause of the General Standard is amended as indicated by the text of this Particular Standard.

Subclauses or figures which are additional to those of the General Standard are numbered starting from 101, additional annexes are lettered AA, BB, etc., and additional items (a), (bb), etc.

The term “this standard” covers this Particular Standard, used together with the General Standard and the Collateral Standards.

Where there is no corresponding section, clause or subclause in this Particular Standard, the section, clause or subclause of the General Standard, although possibly not relevant, applies without modification.

Where it is intended that any part of the General Standard, although possibly relevant, is not to be applied, a statement to that effect is given in this Particular Standard.

The requirements of this Particular Standard replacing or modifying requirements of the General Standard or a Collateral Standard take precedence over the corresponding general requirement(s).

### **1.3.101 Related International Standards**

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

IEC 60079-4:1975, *Electrical apparatus for explosive gas atmospheres – Part 4: Method of test for ignition temperature*

IEC 60079-11:1999, *Electrical apparatus for explosive gas atmospheres – Part 11: Intrinsic safety*

ISO 32:1977, *Gas cylinders for medical use – Marking for identification of content*

ISO 107:1991, *Small medical gas cylinders – Pin-index yoke-type valve connections*

ISO 3746:1995, *Acoustics – Determination of sound power levels of noise sources using sound pressure – Survey method using an enveloping measurement surface over a reflecting plane*

ISO 4135:2001, *Anaesthetic and respiratory equipment – Vocabulary*

ISO 5145:1990, *Cylinder valve outlets for gases and gas mixtures – Selection and dimensioning*

ISO 5356-1:1996, *Anaesthetic and respiratory equipment – Conical connectors – Part 1: Cones and sockets*

ISO 5356-2:1987, *Anaesthetic and respiratory equipment – Conical connectors – Part 2: Screw-threaded, weight-bearing connectors*

ISO 5359:2000, *Low-pressure hose assemblies for use with medical gases*

ISO 5362:2000, *Anaesthetic reservoir bags*

ISO 7396-1:2002, *Medical gas pipeline systems – Part 1: Pipelines for compressed medical gases and vacuum*

ISO 7767:1997, *Oxygen monitors for monitoring patient breathing mixtures – Safety requirements*

ISO 8835-2:1999, *Inhalational anaesthesia systems – Part 2: Anaesthetic breathing systems for adults*

ISO 8835-3:1997, *Inhalational anaesthesia systems – Part 3: Anaesthetic gas scavenging systems – Transfer and receiving systems*

ISO 8835-4, *Inhalational anaesthesia systems – Part 4: Anaesthetic vapour delivery devices* <sup>1)</sup>

ISO 8835-5, *Inhalational anaesthesia systems – Part 5: Requirements for anaesthetic ventilators* <sup>2)</sup>

ISO 9170-1:1999, *Terminal units for medical gas pipeline systems – Part 1: Terminal units for use with compressed medical gases and vacuum*

ISO 9703-1:1992, *Anaesthesia and respiratory care alarm signals – Part 1: Visual alarm signals*

ISO 9703-2:1994, *Anaesthesia and respiratory care alarm signals – Part 2: Auditory alarm signals*

ISO 9703-3, *Anaesthesia and respiratory care alarm signals – Part 3: Guidance on application of alarms*

ISO 9918:1993, *Capnometers for use with humans – Requirements*

ISO 10324:1995, *Pressure regulators and pressure regulators with flow-metering devices for medical gas systems*

ISO 11196:1996, *Anaesthetic gas monitors*

ISO 15223:2000, *Medical devices – Symbols to be used with medical device labels, labelling and information to be supplied*

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