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FOREWORD

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This fourth edition cancels and replaces the third edition of IEC 60601-2-34 published in 2011 and constitutes a technical revision.

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

a) revision to align with IEC 60601-1:2005, IEC 60601-1:2005/AMD1:2012 and IEC 60601-1:2005/AMD2:2020, as well as new versions of collateral standards and amendments thereto;
b) expansion of the scope to the emergency medical service environment;
c) changed essential performance in Table 201.101;
d) changed requirement for ingress protection;
e) added primary operating functions;
f) deleted Annex BB Alarm diagrams.

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

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Full information on the voting for its approval can be found in the report on voting indicated in the above table.

The language used for the development of this International Standard is English.

This document was drafted in accordance with ISO/IEC Directives, Part 2, and developed in accordance with ISO/IEC Directives, Part 1 and ISO/IEC Directives, IEC Supplement, available at www.iec.ch/members_experts/refdocs. The main document types developed by IEC are described in greater detail at www.iec.ch/publications.

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– TERMS DEFINED IN CLAUSE 3 OF IEC 60601-1:2005, IEC 60601-1:2005/AMD1:2012 AND IEC 60601-1:2005/AMD2:2020, IN THIS PARTICULAR STANDARD OR AS NOTED: SMALL CAPITALS.

In referring to the structure of this document, the term

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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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INTRODUCTION

This document concerns the BASIC SAFETY and ESSENTIAL PERFORMANCE of INVASIVE BLOOD PRESSURE MONITORING EQUIPMENT. It amends and supplements IEC 60601-1:2005, IEC 60601-1:2005/AMD1:2012 and IEC 60601-1:2005/AMD2:2020.

The aim of this fourth edition is to bring this document up to date with reference to IEC 60601-1:2005, IEC 60601-1:2005/AMD1:2012 and IEC 60601-1:2005/AMD2:2020 and new versions of collateral standards and amendments thereto through technical changes.

The requirements of this document take priority over those of IEC 60601-1:2005, IEC 60601-1:2005/AMD1:2012 and IEC 60601-1:2005/AMD2:2020 and collateral standards.

A "General guidance and rationale" for the more important requirements of this document is included in Annex AA. It is considered that knowledge of the reasons for these requirements will not only facilitate the proper application of the standard but will, in due course, expedite any revision necessitated by changes in clinical practice or as a result of developments in technology. However, Annex AA does not form part of the requirements of this document.

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201.1 Scope, object and related standards

Clause 1 of IEC 60601-1:2005, IEC 60601-1:2005/AMD1:2012 and IEC 60601-1:2005/AMD2:2020 applies, except as follows:

201.1.1 *Scope

Replacement:

This part of IEC 60601 applies to BASIC SAFETY and ESSENTIAL PERFORMANCE of INVASIVE BLOOD PRESSURE MONITORING EQUIPMENT as defined in 201.3.63, hereinafter also referred to as ME EQUIPMENT.

This document applies to INVASIVE BLOOD PRESSURE MONITORING EQUIPMENT intended for use in professional healthcare facilities and in the EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE ENVIRONMENT.

This document does not apply to catheter tubing, catheter needles, Luer locks, taps and tap tables that connect to the DOME.

This document does not apply to non-invasive blood pressure monitoring 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 follows:

The clause or subclause applies to ME EQUIPMENT, as default and, only if the corresponding safety measure or function is not completely integrated into the ME EQUIPMENT but implemented as part of an ME SYSTEM, the clause or subclause applies to the ME SYSTEM.

201.1.2 Object

Replacement:

The object of this particular standard is to establish BASIC SAFETY and ESSENTIAL PERFORMANCE requirements for INVASIVE BLOOD PRESSURE MONITORING EQUIPMENT, as defined in 201.3.63.

201.1.3 Collateral standards

Addition:

This particular standard refers to those applicable collateral standards that are listed in Clause 2 of IEC 60601-1:2005, IEC 60601-1:2005/AMD1:2012 and IEC 60601-1:2005/AMD2:2020 and Clause 201.2 of this particular standard.

IEC 60601-1-2:2014 and IEC 60601-1-2:2014/AMD1:2020, IEC 60601-1-6:2010, IEC 60601-1-6:2010/AMD1:2013 and IEC 60601-1-6:2010/AMD2:2020, IEC 60601-1-8:2006, IEC 60601-1-8:2006/AMD1:2012 and IEC 60601-1-8:2006/AMD1:2020 apply as modified in Clauses 202, 206 and 208 respectively. IEC 60601-1-3, IEC 60601-1-9 and IEC 60601-1-10 do not apply. All other published collateral standards in the IEC 60601-1 series apply as published.