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- requirements, compliance with which can be tested and definitions: roman type;
- explanations, advice, notes, general statements and exceptions: smaller type;
- test specifications: italic type;
- TERMS USED THROUGHOUT THIS PARTICULAR STANDARD WHICH HAVE BEEN DEFINED IN CLAUSE 2 AND IN IEC 60601-1: SMALL CAPITALS.

A bilingual version of this standard may be issued at a later date.
INTRODUCTION

The minimum safety requirements specified in this particular standard are considered to provide for a practical degree of safety in the operation of HAEMODIALYSIS, HAEMODIAFILTRATION and HAEMOFILTRATION EQUIPMENT.

This particular standard does not take into consideration the specific safety aspects of systems using regeneration of DIALYSING FLUID.


The requirements are followed by specifications for the relevant tests.

Following the decision taken by subcommittee 62D at the meeting in Washington in 1979, a "General guidance and rationale" section giving some explanatory notes, where appropriate, about the more important requirements is included in annex AA.

Clauses or subclauses for which there are explanatory notes in annex AA are marked with an asterisk (*).

It is considered that a 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, this annex does not form part of the requirements of this standard.
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SECTION 1: 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 the minimum safety requirements for single PATIENT HAEMODIALYSIS, HAEMODIAFILTRATION and HAEMOFILTRATION EQUIPMENT (as defined in 2.101). These devices are intended for use either by medical staff or under the supervision of medical expertise, including HAEMODIALYSIS, HAEMODIAFILTRATION and HAEMOFILTRATION EQUIPMENT operated by the PATIENT. These particular requirements do not apply to

- EXTRACORPOREAL CIRCUITS,
- DIALYSERS,
- DIALYSING FLUID CONCENTRATES,
- water purification EQUIPMENT,
- EQUIPMENT used to perform peritoneal dialysis (see IEC 60601-2-39).