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## Foreword

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## Introduction

This document specifies general requirements that are relevant to assistive products for tissue integrity (APT<sub>I</sub>) in the lying position in different application environments such as hospitals, home care, and institutions. Some of the devices can be used/reused in more than one application environment. This means that different requirements and test methods can apply to the same Assistive Products for Tissue Integrity (APT<sub>I</sub>), depending on the application environment. For an APT<sub>I</sub> to conform with this document, all relevant clauses need to be fulfilled, depending on the type of APT<sub>I</sub>. For example, some APT<sub>I</sub> do not include electrical components; therefore, the clauses related to electrical components might not be relevant.

APT<sub>I</sub> play a very important role in the prevention and treatment of pressure injuries. Another important role in the prevention and treatment of pressure injury is the clinical practice and the clinical evaluation. Guidance can be found in the NPUAP/EPUAP/PPPIA Guidelines, "Prevention and Treatment of Pressure Ulcers: Clinical Practice Guideline," from 2014.

Surfaces applied on operating theatre tables can also impact in the process of patient management and may need to be taken into consideration. It should be recognized however, patient stability and specialist equipment used during an operation often create conflicting priorities to those of an APT<sub>I</sub>.

Using this document, clinicians and manufacturers should consider the impact of other items (including additional APT<sub>I</sub>) used in conjunction with an APT<sub>I</sub> on tissue integrity and safety.

This document only covers general requirements to ensure safety of *users*. However, the intention is to develop a series of standards to cover the broad range of issues related to the APT<sub>I</sub>.

# Assistive products for tissue integrity when lying down —

## Part 1: General requirements

### 1 Scope

This document specifies general requirements and related test methods that are relevant to assistive products for tissue integrity (APTI) in the lying position in different application environments such as hospitals, home care and institutions. This document applies to the safety of APTI, which are intended to remain in situ during periods of lying, and to prevent and/or treat pressure injuries.

This document covers a range of different lying support surfaces intended to be used in combination with the appropriate support platform or as a whole integrated system.

This document also covers assistive products primarily intended for tissue integrity for changing a lying position and assistive products for maintaining a lying position.

This document does not apply to lying support surfaces used in combination with incubators.

This document addresses the combination of a full body support surface and an adjustable mattress support platform. It also covers safety and performance test methods to ensure protection against injuries to the user.

This document specifies requirements and test methods for APTI within the following classifications of ISO 9999:2016:

04 33 06 Assistive products for tissue integrity when lying down such as but not limited to:

- Mattresses and mattress overlays for pressure injury prevention;
- Mattress coverings for pressure injury prevention mattresses.

12 31 03 Assistive products for sliding and turning such as but not limited to:

Devices for changing position or direction of a person using sliding or turning techniques. The only products included are those intended to be used in a lying position and remain in situ as part of the lying support surface. They are the following:

- sliding products that glide one way and lock the other way;
- sheets and underlays in flexible materials with low friction;
- fabric sold by the metre, cut as required for repositioning use;
- powered turning product;

This excludes sliding boards unless the product is intended to be left in situ.

09 07 06 Positioning pillows, positioning cushions and positioning systems such as but not limited to:

- leg positioners,
- arm positioners, and
- multipurpose body positioners.

18 12 15 Bedding such as but not limited to:

— draw sheets.

## 2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements 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.

ISO 554, *Standard atmospheres for conditioning and/or testing — Specifications*

ISO 9614-1, *Acoustics — Determination of sound power levels of noise sources using sound intensity — Part 1: Measurement at discrete points*

ISO 10993-1, *Biological evaluation of medical devices — Part 1: Evaluation and testing within a risk management process*

ISO 13732-1, *Ergonomics of the thermal environment — Methods for the assessment of human responses to contact with surfaces — Part 1: Hot surfaces*

ISO 14155, *Clinical investigation of medical devices for human subjects — Good clinical practice*

ISO 15223-1, *Medical devices — Symbols to be used with medical device labels, labelling and information to be supplied — Part 1: General requirements*

ISO 22442-1, *Medical devices utilizing animal tissues and their derivatives — Part 1: Application of risk management*

IEC 60601-1:2006, *Medical electrical equipment — Part 1: General requirements for basic safety and essential performance*

IEC 60601-1-2, *Medical electrical equipment — Part 1-2: General requirements for basic safety and essential performance — Collateral standard: Electromagnetic compatibility — Requirements and tests*

IEC 60601-1-6, *Medical electrical equipment — Part 1-6: General requirements for basic safety and essential performance — Collateral standard: Usability*

IEC 60601-1-8, *Medical electrical equipment — Part 1-8: General requirements for basic safety and essential performance — Collateral standard: General requirements, tests and guidance for alarm systems in medical electrical equipment and medical electrical systems*

IEC 60601-1-11, *Medical electrical equipment — Part 1-11: General requirements for basic safety and essential performance — Collateral standard: Requirements for medical electrical equipment and medical electrical systems used in the home healthcare environment*

IEC 60529, *Degrees of protection provided by enclosures (IP Code)*

IEC 60695-11-10, *Fire hazard testing — Part 11-10: Test flames — 50 W horizontal and vertical flame test methods*

IEC 61000-3-2, *Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) — Part 3-2: Limits — Limits for harmonic current emissions (equipment input current  $\leq 16$  A per phase)*

IEC 61000-3-3, *Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) — Part 3-3: Limits — Limitation of voltage changes, voltage fluctuations and flicker in public low-voltage supply systems, for equipment with rated current  $\leq 16$  A per phase and not subject to conditional connection*

IEC 61000-4-3, *Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) — Part 4-3: Testing and measurement techniques — Radiated, radio-frequency, electromagnetic field immunity test*