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Performance Requirements for Water Heaters for Emergency Equipment

Section I

1.0 General

1.1 Application

This standard is for water heaters with precise setpoint controls under varying flow conditions.

1.2 Scope

This standard is for water heaters supplying tepid water to emergency equipment, including eyewash, eye/face wash, emergency showers, and combination units. These water heaters heat the cold water supply to an acceptable tepid temperature within the intended range listed in ISEA Z358.1.

1.2.1 Description

The water heaters shall consist of a cold water inlet connection, a means of heating the water and controlling the discharge temperature, and an outlet connection to supply tepid water to the emergency equipment. The water heater shall also have a means to limit the maximum outlet temperature under normal operating conditions. Provisions shall be made so that the temperature setting of the water heater cannot be inadvertently adjusted.

1.2.2 Maximum Working Pressure

The water heater shall be designed to function at an upper limit working pressure of 100.0 psi (690 kPa) at minimum.

1.2.3 Inlet Temperature Range

The water heater shall be designed for a cold water inlet temperature range that includes 40.0 °F to 70.0 °F (4.4 °C to 21.1 °C).

1.2.4 Outlet Temperature Range

The water heater shall be capable of supplying the emergency equipment with a supply of water within the temperature range of $65.0~^{\circ}F$ to $95.0~^{\circ}F$ ($18.3~^{\circ}C$ to $35.0~^{\circ}C$) under normal operating conditions as defined by sections $1.2.2~^{\circ}A$ and 1.2.3.

1.2.5 Minimum Flow

Note per ISEA Z358.1: Water heaters covered by this standard for eyewashes shall operate at a minimum flow rate of 1.5 GPM (5.7 L/min). Water heaters covered by this standard for eye/face washes or combination units shall operate at a minimum flow rate of 3 GPM (11.4 L/min). Water heaters covered by this standard serving only emergency showers shall operate at a minimum flow rate of 20 GPM (75.7 L/min).