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IEC 61951-1	-	Secondary cells and batteries containing alkaline or other non-acid electrolytes - Secondary sealed cells and batteries for portable applications - Part 1: Nickel-Cadmium	EN 61951-1	- ¹⁾
IEC 61951-2	-	Secondary cells and batteries containing alkaline or other non-acid electrolytes - Secondary sealed cells and batteries for portable applications - Part 2: Nickel-metal hydride	EN 61951-2	- ¹⁾
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Part 1: Nickel systems

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- inclusion of button cell requirements.

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Part 1: Nickel systems

1 Scope

This part of IEC 62133 specifies requirements and tests for the safe operation of portable sealed secondary nickel cells and batteries containing alkaline electrolyte, under intended use and reasonably foreseeable misuse.

2 Normative references

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IEC 60050-482:2004, *International Electrotechnical Vocabulary – Part 482: Primary and secondary cells and batteries* (available at <http://www.electropedia.org>)

IEC 61951-1, *Secondary cells and batteries containing alkaline or other non-acid electrolytes – Portable sealed rechargeable single cells – Part 1: Nickel-cadmium*

IEC 61951-2, *Secondary cells and batteries containing alkaline or other non-acid electrolytes – Portable sealed rechargeable single cells – Part 2: Nickel-metal hydride*

ISO/IEC Guide 51, *Safety aspects – Guidelines for their inclusion in standards*

3 Terms and definitions

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3.1 safety

freedom from unacceptable risk

3.2 risk

combination of the probability of occurrence of harm and the severity of that harm