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## **Medical electrical equipment**

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Part 1-3: General requirements for basic safety and essential performance —  
Collateral Standard: Radiation protection in diagnostic X-ray equipment

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## National foreword

This British Standard is the UK implementation of EN 60601-1-3:2008+A2:2021, incorporating corrigenda March 2010 and May 2014. It is derived from IEC 60601-1-3:2008, incorporating amendments 1:2013 and 2:2021. It supersedes BS EN 60601-1-3:2008+A11:2016, which is withdrawn.

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The UK participation in its preparation was entrusted to Technical Committee CH/62/2, Diagnostic imaging equipment.

A list of organizations represented on this committee can be obtained on request to its committee manager.

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Date	Text affected
31 July 2010	Implementation of CENELEC corrigendum March 2010: date of withdrawal added to European foreword
31 July 2013	Implementation of IEC amendment 1:2013 with CENELEC endorsement A1:2013 and Annex ZA updated
30 June 2014	Implementation of CENELEC corrigendum May 2014: date of withdrawal updated in the European foreword and foreword to amendment A1
31 December 2016	Implementation of CENELEC amendment A11:2016: Annexes ZA and ZZ replaced
31 March 2021	Implementation of IEC amendment 2:2021 with CENELEC endorsement A2:2021 and Annex ZA updated

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Appareils électromédicaux - Partie 1-3: Exigences  
générales pour la sécurité de base et les performances  
essentielle - Norme collatérale: Radioprotection dans les  
appareils à rayonnement X de diagnostic  
(IEC 60601-1-3:2008)

Medizinische elektrische Geräte - Teil 1-3: Allgemeine  
Festlegungen für die Sicherheit einschließlich der  
wesentlichen Leistungsmerkmale - Ergänzungsnorm:  
Strahlenschutz von diagnostischen Röntgengeräten  
(IEC 60601-1-3:2008)

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Up-to-date lists and bibliographical references concerning such national standards may be obtained on application to the Central Secretariat or to any CENELEC member.

This European Standard exists in three official versions (English, French, German). A version in any other language made by translation under the responsibility of a CENELEC member into its own language and notified to the Central Secretariat has the same status as the official versions.

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## European foreword

The text of document 62B/673/FDIS, future edition 2 of IEC 60601-1-3, prepared by SC 62B, Diagnostic imaging equipment, of IEC TC 62, Electrical equipment in medical practice, was submitted to the IEC-CENELEC parallel vote and was approved by CENELEC as EN 60601-1-3 on 2008-03-01.

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at national level by publication of an identical  
national standard or by endorsement (dow) 2008-12-31

This European Standard supersedes EN 60601-1-3:1994. However, EN 60601-1-3:1994 remains valid until all the Parts 2 that are used in conjunction with it have been withdrawn. No date of withdrawal of conflicting national standards (dow) has therefore been fixed. However, when Part 1-3 is used for appliances not covered by a Part 2, EN 60601-1-3:1994 is not to be used after 2009-09-12.

This EN 60601-1-3 has been restructured and aligned to EN 60601-1:2006 and focussed on general requirements for RADIATION PROTECTION that apply to all diagnostic X-RAY EQUIPMENT. Requirements particular to specific equipment have been removed and will be covered in particular standards. For a description of the changes, see the mapping in Annex C.

This European Standard has been prepared under a mandate given to CENELEC by the European Commission and the European Free Trade Association and covers essential requirements of EC Directive 93/42/EEC. See Annex ZZ.

This European Standard constitutes a collateral standard to EN 60601-1:2006, hereafter referred to as the general standard.

In the 60601 series of publications, collateral standards specify general requirements for safety applicable to:

- a subgroup of MEDICAL ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT (e.g. RADIOLOGICAL equipment); or
- a specific characteristic of all MEDICAL ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT, not fully addressed in the general standard (e.g. alarm systems).

In this collateral standard, the following print types are used:

- requirements and definitions: in roman type;
- *test specifications: in italic type;*
- informative material appearing outside of tables, such as notes, examples and references: in smaller type. Normative text of tables is also in a smaller type;
- TERMS DEFINED IN CLAUSE 3 OF THE GENERAL STANDARD, IN THIS COLLATERAL STANDARD OR AS NOTED: IN SMALL CAPITALS.

In referring to the structure of this standard, the term

- “clause” means one of the thirteen numbered divisions within the table of contents, inclusive of all subdivisions (e.g. Clause 7 includes Subclauses 7.1, 7.2, etc.);
- “subclause” means a numbered subdivision of a clause (e.g. 7.1, 7.2 and 7.2.1 are all subclauses of Clause 7).

References to clauses within this standard are preceded by the term “Clause” followed by the clause number. References to subclauses within this standard are by number only.

In this standard, the conjunctive “or” is used as an “inclusive or” so a statement is true if any combination of the conditions is true.

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The verbal forms used in this standard conform to usage described in Annex H of the ISO/IEC Directives, Part 2. For the purposes of this standard, the auxiliary verb

- "shall" means that compliance with a requirement or a test is mandatory for compliance with this standard;
- "should" means that compliance with a requirement or a test is recommended but is not mandatory for compliance with this standard;
- "may" is used to describe a permissible way to achieve compliance with a requirement or test.

Clauses, subclauses and definitions for which a rationale is provided in informative Annex A are marked with an asterisk (\*).

Annexes ZA and ZZ have been added by CENELEC.

### Endorsement notice

The text of the International Standard IEC 60601-1-3:2008 was approved by CENELEC as a European Standard without any modification.

In the official version, for Bibliography, the following notes have to be added for the standards indicated:

IEC 60601-2-7	NOTE	Harmonized as EN 60601-2-7:1998 (not modified).
IEC 60601-2-28	NOTE	Harmonized as EN 60601-2-28:1993 (not modified).
IEC 60601-2-29	NOTE	Harmonized as EN 60601-2-29:1999 (not modified).
IEC 60601-2-32	NOTE	Harmonized as EN 60601-2-32:1994 (not modified).
IEC 60601-2-43	NOTE	Harmonized as EN 60601-2-43:2000 (not modified).
IEC 60601-2-44	NOTE	Harmonized as EN 60601-2-44:2001 (not modified).
IEC 60601-2-45	NOTE	Harmonized as EN 60601-2-45:2001 (not modified).
IEC 60580	NOTE	Harmonized as EN 60580:2000 (not modified).
IEC 60627	NOTE	Harmonized as EN 60627:2001 (not modified).
IEC 61262	NOTE	Harmonized in EN 61262 series (not modified).
IEC 62220	NOTE	Harmonized in EN 62220 series (not modified).
IEC 62220-1	NOTE	Harmonized as EN 62220-1:2003 (not modified).

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## Foreword to amendment A1

The text of document 62B/895/CDV, future amendment 1 to edition 2 of IEC 60601-1-3, prepared by SC 62B "Diagnostic imaging equipment" of IEC TC 62 "Electrical equipment in medical practice" was submitted to the IEC-CENELEC parallel vote and approved by CENELEC as EN 60601-1-3:2008/A1:2013.

The following dates are fixed:

- latest date by which the document has to be implemented at national level by publication of an identical national standard or by endorsement (dop) 2014-02-24
- latest date by which the national standards conflicting with the document have to be withdrawn (dow) 2018-12-31

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## Foreword to amendment A11

This document (EN 60601-1-3:2008/A11:2016) has been prepared by CLC/TC 62 "Electrical equipment in medical practice".

The following dates are fixed:

- latest date by which the document has to be implemented at national level by publication of an identical national standard or by endorsement (dop) 2017-11-01
- latest date by which the national standards conflicting with the document have to be withdrawn (dow) 2019-11-01

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For the relationship with EU Directive(s) see informative Annex ZZ, which is an integral part of this document.



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## Foreword to amendment A2

The text of document 62B/1176/CDV, future IEC 60601-1-3/A2, prepared by SC 62B "Diagnostic imaging equipment" of IEC/TC 62 "Electrical equipment in medical practice" was submitted to the IEC-CENELEC parallel vote and approved by CENELEC as EN 60601-1-3:2008/A2:2021.

The following dates are fixed:

- latest date by which the document has to be implemented at national level by publication of an identical national standard or by endorsement (dop) 2021-12-02
- latest date by which the national standards conflicting with the document have to be withdrawn (dow) 2024-03-02

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## Normative references to international publications with their corresponding European publications

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.

NOTE 1 Where an International Publication has been modified by common modifications, indicated by (mod), the relevant EN/HD applies.

NOTE 2 Up-to-date information on the latest versions of the European Standards listed in this annex is available here: [www.cenelec.eu](http://www.cenelec.eu).

<u>Publication</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>EN/HD</u>	<u>Year</u>
IEC 60336		Medical electrical equipment - X-ray tube assemblies for medical use - Characteristics of focal spots	EN 60336	2005
IEC 60522	1999	Determination of the permanent filtration of X-ray tube assemblies	EN 60522	1999
IEC 60601-1	2005	Medical electrical equipment - Part 1: General requirements for basic safety and essential performance	1:EN 60601-1	2006
-	-		+ corrigendum Mar.	2010
+ A1	2012		+ A1	2013
-	-		+ A12	2014
+ A2	2020		-	-
IEC 60788	2004	Medical electrical equipment - Glossary of defined terms		
ISO 497		Guide to the choice of series of preferred numbers and of series containing more rounded values of preferred numbers		