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Foreword

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The following change has been done:

In [4.1](#), paragraph 3

“All symbols and written information shall be legible under an illumination of 215 lx with visual acuity of 20/30 (Visus 0,67).”

has been replaced with

“All symbols and written information shall be a minimum of 0,7 mm in height and be legible at a reading distance of 30 cm under the illumination of 215 lx, except for Trademarks and any manufacturing part numbers.”

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Introduction

This document attempts to harmonize requirements, whenever possible, for labelling of contact lenses and contact lens care products with national laws, regulations, or guidelines that might exist in countries throughout the world. Where national laws and labelling requirements exist in countries for medical devices, they are often developed by legislative bodies or regulatory authorities independently from the development process for International Standards. Therefore, labelling requirements established by an individual country cannot always be readily integrated into International Standards.

The information given in this document provides a suitable framework for developing labelling for contact lenses and contact lens care products. Conformance to the elements herein is intended to be sufficient for developing appropriate labelling for countries without existing laws or regulations for medical device labelling. However, conformance with the elements of this document might not be sufficient for full compliance with additional labelling requirements mandated by an individual country. Where national laws or regulations mandate additional labelling requirements or conflict with elements of this document, the national law or regulation is intended to be followed and is intended to take precedence over the elements of this voluntary document.

The manufacturer should provide more information to the contact lens professional upon request.