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This document was prepared by Technical Committee ISO/TC 121, *Anaesthetic and respiratory equipment*, Subcommittee SC 2, *Airway devices and related equipment*.

This second edition cancels and replaces the first edition (ISO 18190:2016), which has been technically revised.

The main changes are as follows:

- Title altered from airways to airway devices.
- The introduction has been changed to clarify that this standard can be used in the absence of a device specific standard.
- Definitions for *clinical evaluation* and *clinical investigation* added.
- Risk management process and *clinical evaluation* now mandated.
- A new requirement recommending that manufacturers consider the environmental impact of their device and its packaging during its lifetime has been added.
- A requirement for the biological evaluation for devices with breathing gas pathways has been added.
- Information provided by the manufacturer, including marking, now refers to ISO 20417 for the common requirements and only lists those requirements specific to *airway devices and related equipment*.
- Devices that are safe, conditionally safe or unsafe to be used in an MR environment are now to be marked accordingly.
- The requirements for positioning of controls and protection against inadvertent adjustments have been deleted as they were deemed not applicable to airway devices.
- A new requirement for shelf life has been added.
- All requirements relating to sterility have been condensed into one clause.

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- A new requirement to disclose the transport and environmental conditions that the airway device can withstand has been added.

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This document provides the general requirements for basic safety and performance for the design, materials, packaging, marking and labelling that are generally applicable to all *airway devices and related equipment*.

This document is intended to consolidate the general requirements that are common among the set of standards within the category of *airway devices and related equipment* and serve as a reference for these common requirements, allowing each device-specific standard to focus on the unique safety and essential requirements more concisely for that device.

This document should be used in conjunction with device-specific *airway devices and related equipment* standards.

The requirements in a device-specific standard take priority over any conflicting requirements in this document.

If there is no airway device-specific standard, then this document can be referenced for all the applicable requirements.

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