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The procedures used to develop this document and those intended for its further maintenance are described in the ISO/IEC Directives, Part 1. In particular the different approval criteria needed for the different types of ISO documents should be noted. This document was drafted in accordance with the editorial rules of the ISO/IEC Directives, Part 2 (see [www.iso.org/directives](http://www.iso.org/directives)).

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The committee responsible for this document is ISO/TC 121, *Anaesthetic and respiratory equipment*, Subcommittee SC 3, *Lung ventilators and related equipment*, and Technical Committee IEC/TC 62, *Electrical equipment in medical practice*, Subcommittee SC D, *Electrical equipment*.

This first edition of ISO 80601-2-72 cancels and replaces the second edition of ISO 10651-2:2004. This edition of ISO 80601-2-72 constitutes a major technical revision of ISO 10651-2:2004 and includes an alignment with the third edition of IEC 60601-1 and the second edition of IEC 60601-1-11.

The most significant changes are the following modifications:

- extending the scope to include the VENTILATOR and its ACCESSORIES, where the characteristics of those ACCESSORIES can affect the BASIC SAFETY and ESSENTIAL PERFORMANCE of the VENTILATOR, and thus, not only the VENTILATOR itself;
- identification of ESSENTIAL PERFORMANCE for a VENTILATOR and its ACCESSORIES;
- modification of the obstruction of the expiratory limb (continuing AIRWAY PRESSURE) ALARM CONDITION requirement;

and the following additions:

- tests for ventilation performance;
- tests for mechanical strength (via IEC 60601-1-11);
- new symbols;

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- tests for ENCLOSURE integrity (water ingress via IEC 60601-1-11);
- tests for cleaning and disinfection PROCEDURES (via IEC 60601-1-11);
- consideration of contamination of the breathing gas delivered to the PATIENT from the gas pathways.

ISO 80601 consists of the following parts, under the general title *Medical electrical equipment*:

- *Part 2-12: Particular requirements for basic safety and essential performance of critical care ventilators*
- *Part 2-13: Particular requirements for basic safety and essential performance of an anaesthetic workstation*
- *Part 2-55: Particular requirements for the basic safety and essential performance of respiratory gas monitors*
- *Part 2-56: Particular requirements for basic safety and essential performance of clinical thermometers for body temperature measurement*
- *Part 2-61: Particular requirements for basic safety and essential performance of pulse oximeter equipment for medical use*
- *Part 2-67: Particular requirements for basic safety and essential performance of oxygen-conserving equipment*
- *Part 2-69: Particular requirements for basic safety and essential performance of oxygen concentrator equipment*
- *Part 2-70: Particular requirements for basic safety and essential performance of sleep apnoea breathing therapy equipment*
- *Part 2-72: Particular requirements for basic safety and essential performance of home healthcare environment ventilators for ventilator-dependent patients*

IEC 80601 consists of the following parts, under the general title *Medical electrical equipment*:

- *Part 2-30: Particular requirements for the basic safety and essential performance of automated non-invasive sphygmomanometers*
- *Part 2-35: Particular requirements for the basic safety and essential performance of heating devices using blankets, pads and mattresses and intended for heating in medical use*
- *Part 2-58: Particular requirements for the basic safety and essential performance of lens removal devices and vitrectomy devices for ophthalmic surgery*
- *Part 2-59: Particular requirements for the basic safety and essential performance of screening thermographs for human febrile temperature screening*
- *Part 2-60: Particular requirements for basic safety and essential performance of dental equipment*

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This part of ISO 80601 specifies requirements for lung ventilators that are intended for use in the HOME HEALTHCARE ENVIRONMENT for PATIENTS who are dependent for ventilation for their life support. These VENTILATORS are frequently used in locations where the power driving the VENTILATOR is not reliable. These VENTILATORS are often supervised by non-healthcare personnel (LAY OPERATORS) with varying levels of training. Lung ventilators complying with this standard can be used elsewhere (i.e. in healthcare facilities).

In referring to the structure of this part of ISO 80601,

- “clause” means one of the 17 numbered divisions within the table of contents, inclusive of all subdivisions (e.g. Clause 7 includes 7.1, 7.2, etc.), and
- “subclause” means a numbered subdivision of a clause (e.g. 201.7.1, 201.7.2 and 201.7.2.1 are all subclauses of Clause 201.7).

References to clauses within this part of ISO 80601 are preceded by the term “Clause” followed by the clause number. References to subclauses within this particular part of ISO 80601 are by number only.

In this part of ISO 80601, the conjunctive “or” is used as an “inclusive or” so a statement is true if any combination of the conditions is true.

The verbal forms used in this part of ISO 80601 conform to usage described in Annex H of the ISO/IEC Directives, Part 2. For the purposes of this part of ISO 80601, the auxiliary verb

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