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The main changes are as follows:

- in line with changes in ISO 8549-4, the remaining part of the limb is referred to using the preferred term “residual limb”, or residuum, as opposed to “stump”;
- the residual limb descriptors have been revised;
- the lists of measurements to be taken by all members of the interprofessional team (doctors, prosthetist, physical, and occupational therapists, nurses) and the additional measurements to be taken only by the prosthetist have been revised;
- the use of hyphens in anatomical terms, such as transradial, has been removed in line with other parts of the ISO 8549 series.

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This document provides all members of the interprofessional team (doctors, prosthetists, physical and occupational therapists, nurses) treating the person with a method for describing and measuring the residual limb after upper limb amputation.

A standardized method allows comparisons of the outcomes of amputation surgery and rehabilitation.

Such a method is also of value to epidemiologists, government health officials, and for those researching and reporting on prosthetic use.