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## BIOTECHNOLOGY - PERFORMANCE CRITERIA FOR PUMPS

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## **Foreword**

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## Introduction

The mechanical safety of pumps, which are widely used in biotechnological processes, is covered by EN 292-1 and EN 292-2. However, it is important to consider the performance of pumps used in these processes with regard to the potential hazard posed by the microorganism in use. For some microorganisms additional technology is needed to prevent their release to the environment. Consideration should be given to workers, the environment and the public in general.

Use of this standard can facilitate the specification with regard to biosafety performance of pumps by the manufacturer in a form which can be easily understood and readily utilized by the end user.

## 1 Scope

This European Standard specifies performance criteria for pumps used in biotechnological processes, in which the release of microorganisms should be limited or prevented for reasons of safety.

This standard applies if the intended use of the pump includes hazardous or potentially hazardous microorganisms.

This standard applies to pumps with no auxiliary equipment, bordered by the connections on the unit of equipment. It also applies to pump systems equipped with all necessary auxiliary equipment necessary for operation of pumps and to accomplish cleaning and sterilization.

NOTE : Additional criteria for individual components of equipment such as pipes and couplings are given in "Performance criteria for piping and instrumentation - Part 1 : General performance criteria" (see annex A [9]) and "Performance criteria for piping and instrumentation - Part 2 : Couplings" (see annex A [7]). These two European Standards are being prepared.

## 2 Normative references

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EN 285	Sterilization - Steam sterilizers - Large sterilizers
EN 292-1	Safety of machinery - Basic concepts, general principles for design - Part 1 : Basic terminology, methodology
EN 292-2	Safety of machinery - Basic concepts, general principles for design - Part 2 : Technical principles and specifications
EN 1672-2	Food processing machinery - Basic concepts - Part 2: Hygiene requirements
EN 12296	Biotechnology - Equipment - Guidance on testing procedures for cleanability

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