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Foreword

This document (EN 15154-4:2009) has been prepared by Technical Committee CEN/TC 332 “Laboratory equipment”, the secretariat of which is held by DIN.

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- Part 1: Plumbed-in body showers for laboratories
- Part 2: Plumbed-in eye wash units
- Part 3: Non plumbed-in body showers
- Part 4: Non plumbed-in eyewash units
- Part 5: Plumbed-in body showers for production facilities (in planning)

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Introduction

The first seconds after an accident in which the eyes have been exposed to harmful substances are critical to keep the eye injury to a minimum. Non plumbed-in emergency safety eyewash units are designed and intended to be kept in the immediate proximity of persons working in a potentially hazardous area. The main purpose of these devices is to supply immediate primary flushing.

Non plumbed-in emergency safety eyewash units can also allow continued flushing on the way to medical care.

1 Scope

This European Standard is a product specification, giving minimum performance requirements for non plumbed-in emergency safety eyewash units.

It is applicable to non plumbed-in emergency safety eyewash units filled with a rinsing fluid by the manufacturer for first aid use when the eyes have been exposed to harmful substances.

Requirements are also given concerning labelling, marking and information to be supplied by the manufacturer.

Throughout this standard, the term "non plumbed-in emergency safety eyewash unit" is referred to as "eyewash unit".

2 Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

EN 556-1, *Sterilization of medical devices – Requirements for medical devices to be designated "STERILE" – Part 1: Requirements for terminally sterilized medical devices*

EN 556-2, *Sterilization of medical devices – Requirements for medical devices to be designated "STERILE" – Part 2: Requirements for aseptically processed medical devices*

EN 980, *Symbols for use in the labelling of medical devices*

EN 1041, *Information supplied by the manufacturer of medical devices*

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply.

3.1

non plumbed-in eyewash unit

self contained device specially designed and intended to deliver a flushing fluid to irrigate and flush the eye(s) when exposed to harmful substances

3.2

transportable eyewash unit

non plumbed-in eyewash unit that is a movable device

3.3

portable eyewash unit

non plumbed-in eyewash unit that is designed to be carried by a single person unaided and kept or mounted in immediate proximity of the user to supply immediate flushing

3.4

personal eyewash unit

non plumbed-in eyewash unit that is designed to be carried by and on the user, in a pocket or a holster

3.5

single use eyewash unit

non plumbed-in eyewash unit designed to deliver a single application of rinsing fluid

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