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Foreword

This document (EN ISO 8836:2014) has been prepared by Technical Committee ISO/TC 121 "Anaesthetic and respiratory equipment" in collaboration with Technical Committee CEN/TC 215 "Respiratory and anaesthetic equipment" the secretariat of which is held by BSI.

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Relationship between this European Standard and the Essential Requirements of EU Directive 93/42/EEC

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NOTE When an Essential Requirement does not appear in Table ZA.1, it means that it is not addressed by this standard.

Table ZA.1 — Correspondence between this European Standard and Directive 93/42/EEC

Clause(s)/subclause (s) of this EN	Essential Requirements (ERs) of Directive 93/42/EEC amended by 2007/47/EC	Qualifying remarks/notes
4, 6	7.1 (second, and third indents)	In the EU, competent authorities always require applicable ERs
6.1, 9.1, 9.2	7.2	6.1 mandates that these devices shall satisfy the biological safety testing indicated in ISO 10993-1. 9.1 and 9.2 covers the integrity of the packaging only for devices supplied sterile
4.1.1, 4.1.2, 6	7.3 first sentence	4.1.1, 4.1.2, and 6 mandates a risk assessment be carried out which does not exclude risks associated with materials and the substances with which they may come into contact.
6.8, 10.3.2 i)	7.5	Partly addressed by 6.8 and 10.3.2 i) calls specifically for a warning if phthalates are incorporated
9.1, 9.2, 10.3.2 f) 10.4.2 g)	8.1	9.1 and 10.3.2 f) and 10.4.2 g) mandate that sterile devices are clearly marked according to EN 556–1 mandates the requirements of ISO 11607-1 to ensure that the packaging is suitable to prevent contamination during transportation and use.
9.2	8.3	Partly addressed by 9.2 which mandates the requirements of ISO 11607-1 that the packaging is suitable to prevent contamination during transportation and use.
9.1	8.4	9.1 mandates that sterile devices satisfy 4.1 of EN 556–1

9.1	8.5	9.1 mandates that sterile devices satisfy 4.1 of EN 556–1
10.3.2 f) 10.4.2 g)	8.7	Partly covered. Marked sterile if appropriate
7.3 7.4.1 7.4.2 7.4.6 8.1 8.4 8.5	9.1	Generally covered by mandating construction and testing of interface connectors, and leakage and resistance when attached to breathing systems.
5.1 5.2 7.1 7.2 7.4.1 7.4.3 7.4.4 7.4.5 8.1 8.2 8.3 8.6	9.2 (first three requirements)	Partly covered to address only the risk of injury in connection with their physical features by specifying sizing and marking conventions for the ID/OD and length of the catheter, design and construction of the tip, additional protections if provided by components of a closed suction catheter, security of construction, performance of the catheter shaft and vacuum control device, and radiopacity.
10.1.3 10.1.4 10.1.5 10.1.6	10.1 (first sentence)	Partly covered to address indication of tip angle, length measurement and marking in cm and colour codes for length marks, if provided. Limits of accuracy are specified in the standard and not disclosed by the manufacturer.
10.1.3 10.1.4 10.1.5 10.1.6	10.2	Tip direction and length mark positions are mandated to provide ergonomic visibility during intubation.
10.1.4 10.1.5	10.3	Length marking is mandated using SI units (mm). Additional use of (cm) is permitted.
7.4.2.1 7.4.2.2 7.4.5	12.7.4	Suction catheter gas connectors are mandated to comply with ISO 5356-1 for 15 mm and 22 mm connectors. Suction catheter flushing system connectors are mandated to comply with ISO 594-1 or ISO 594-2 for Luers.

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10 Annex A, Clause 4	13.1	Covered by mandating marking and labelling and instructions on the suction catheter, connector, unit label, shelf/multi-unit label and instructions for use. Annex A, Clause 4 draws attention to consideration of disclosure of specific labelling and instructions for intended use that may deviate from the currently accepted medical practice.
10.2	13.2	Symbols are mandated in 10.2 to conform to EN 1041, ISO 7000 or ISO 15223-1 and ISO 15223-2
10.3.2 c) 10.4.2 c)	13.3 a)	Manufacturer identification mandated on the device and on individual pack or any insert. Authorized representative mandated on the individual pack or any insert.
10.3.2 10.4.2	13.3 b)	
10.3.2 f) 10.4.2 g)	13.3 c)	
10.4.2 d)	13.3 d)	Batch code preceded by the word "LOT" mandated for EU countries.
10.4.2 e)	13.3 e)	'Use by date' is partly addressed 'where appropriate' as 'an indication of the date by which the catheter should be used'. The EU regulation makes it mandatory.
10.4.2 g) 10.4.2 i)	13.3 f)	
Annex A, Clause 4	13.3 j)	Annex A, Clause 4 draws attention to consideration of disclosure of specific labelling and instructions for intended use that may deviate from the currently accepted medical practice.
10.3.2 f) 10.4.2 g)	13.3 m)	
10.3 10.4 f)	13.6, a), b), c)	Instructions are limited to the mandated information on labelling of individual packs, and preparation for use instructions on the shelf/multi-pack label only.
10.4.2 h)	13.6 h)	Limited to mandated instructions for cleaning, disinfection, and resterilization on the shelf/multi-pack label only. Risks associated with the reuse of devices marked for single use are covered partly by the risk management file and use of the informative Annex F Hazard identification for risk assessment
10.4.2 f)	13.6 i)	Limited to mandated instructions for preparation for use on the shelf/multi-pack label only.

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This fourth edition of ISO 8836 cancels and replaces the third edition (ISO 8836:2007), of which it constitutes a technical revision.

Introduction

This International Standard specifies dimensions and requirements for **suction catheters** for use in the respiratory tract. It is concerned with the basic requirements and method of size designation of both **open** and **closed suction catheters** made of flexible materials.

The method of describing tube dimensions and configuration has been devised in order to assist clinicians in the selection of the most suitable **suction catheter** for a particular patient. Size is designated by outside diameter which is important when selecting a catheter because of its relationship to the ease with which the catheter can be passed through a **tracheal** or **tracheostomy tube**.^{[2][3][4]}

Revisions in this fourth edition are intended to harmonize this International Standard with recent amendments in the European Medical Device Directive.

Major technical revisions in this edition include requirements for **closed suction catheters**, new requirements to harmonize this International Standard with requirements for critical care **ventilators**, and **risk management**.

Terms defined in [Clause 3](#) of this International Standard or in ISO 4135^[1] appear in **bold** type.

Throughout this International Standard, text for which a rationale is provided in [Annex A](#) is indicated by an asterisk (*).

Suction catheters for use in the respiratory tract

1 Scope

This International Standard specifies requirements for **suction catheters**, including **closed suction catheters**, made of flexible materials and intended for use in suctioning of the respiratory tract.

Angled-**tip suction catheters** (e.g. Coudé catheters) and **suction catheters** with aspirator collectors are not considered to be specialized and are therefore included in the scope of this International Standard.

Suction catheters intended for use with flammable anaesthetic gases or agents, lasers or electrosurgical equipment are not covered by this International Standard.

NOTE See ISO/TR 11991 for guidance on airway management during laser surgery of the upper airway.^[6]

2 Normative references

The following documents, in whole or in part, are normatively referenced in this document and are indispensable to its application. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

*ISO 594-1, *Conical fittings with a 6 % (Luer) taper for syringes, needles and certain other medical equipment — Part 1: General requirements*

*ISO 594-2, *Conical fittings with a 6 % (Luer) taper for syringes, needles and certain other medical equipment — Part 2: Lock fittings*

ISO 5356-1, *Anaesthetic and respiratory equipment — Conical connectors — Part 1: Cones and sockets*

ISO 5367:—¹⁾, *Anaesthetic and respiratory equipment — Breathing sets and connectors*

ISO 7000, *Graphical symbols for use on equipment — Registered symbols*²⁾

ISO 10079-1, *Medical suction equipment — Part 1: Electrically powered suction equipment*

ISO 10079-2, *Medical suction equipment — Part 2: Manually powered suction equipment*

ISO 10079-3, *Medical suction equipment — Part 3: Suction equipment powered from a vacuum or positive pressure gas source*

ISO 10993-1, *Biological evaluation of medical devices — Part 1: Evaluation and testing within a risk management process*

ISO 11135, *Sterilization of health-care products — Ethylene oxide — Requirements for the development, validation and routine control of a sterilization process for medical devices*

ISO 11137-1, *Sterilization of health care products — Radiation — Part 1: Requirements for development, validation and routine control of a sterilization process for medical devices*

ISO 11607-1, *Packaging for terminally sterilized medical devices — Part 1: Requirements for materials, sterile barrier systems and packaging systems*

1) To be published. (Revision of ISO 5367:2000)

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