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**Table ZA.2 — Relevant Essential Requirements from Directive 2006/42/EC on machinery that are addressed by this Document (according to article 3 of amended Directive 93/42/EEC)**

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### Foreword

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## Introduction

The development of a standard for PEAK EXPIRATORY FLOWRATE (PEF) measurement is considered important for clinicians to use in diagnosing and monitoring lung and airway conditions by ensuring that all MEDICAL DEVICES for such purposes meet minimum levels for safety and performance. An agreed standard means that a PEAK EXPIRATORY FLOW METER (PEFM) can be tested to meet the same requirements with the latest accepted methods. Clinicians and patients can then be confident that a PEFM is fit for the purposes for which it is intended.

The American Thoracic Society has been foremost in proposing initial standards for testing a PEFM (see Reference [15]). They have proposed 26 waveforms suitable for testing PEF, which are deemed suitable for checking that a PEFM can correctly measure PEF.

The work of Miller et al. (see Reference [18]) first showed the problem of PEFM inaccuracy and they have subsequently defined the population characteristics of the PEF profile (see Reference [21]) and demonstrated limitations of pump systems for testing a PEFM (see Reference [20]). The European Respiratory Society has published a comprehensive statement on PEF (see Reference [21]).

This International Standard is based on the best currently available evidence concerning the methods and waveforms suited for testing a PEFM (see Reference [17]).

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

In this International Standard, the following print types are used:

- Requirements and definitions: roman type.
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# Anaesthetic and respiratory equipment — Peak expiratory flow meters for the assessment of pulmonary function in spontaneously breathing humans

## 1 Scope

This International Standard specifies requirements for a PEAK EXPIRATORY FLOW METER (PEFM) intended for the assessment of pulmonary function in spontaneously breathing humans.

This International Standard covers all MEDICAL DEVICES that measure PEAK EXPIRATORY FLOWRATE in spontaneously breathing humans either as part of an integrated lung function MEDICAL DEVICE or as a stand-alone MEDICAL DEVICE.

Planning and design of products applying to this International Standard are to consider the environmental impact from the product during its life cycle. Environmental aspects are addressed in [Annex E](#).

NOTE Additional aspects of environmental impact are addressed in ISO 14971.

## 2 Normative references

The following documents, in whole or in part, are normatively referenced in this document and are indispensable for 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 10993-1:2009, *Biological evaluation of medical devices — Part 1: Evaluation and testing within a risk management process*

ISO 14937:2009, *Sterilization of health care products — General requirements for characterization of a sterilizing agent and the development, validation and routine control of a sterilization process for medical devices*

ISO 15223-1:2012, *Medical devices — Symbols to be used with medical device labels, labelling and information to be supplied — Part 1: General requirements*

IEC 60601-1:2005+A1:2012, *Medical electrical equipment — Part 1: General requirements for basic safety and essential performance*

## 3 Terms and definitions

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

NOTE An alphabetized index of defined terms is found in [Annex G](#).

### 3.1

#### **BTPS**

body temperature (37 °C), at the measured pressure when saturated with water vapour

### 3.2

#### **DWELL TIME**

#### **DT**

time for which the expiratory flowrate is in excess of 90 % of the achieved PEF

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