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**Foreword**

The text of document 61/4102/CDV, future edition 2 of IEC 60335-2-81:2002/A2, prepared by IEC/TC 61 "Safety of household and similar electrical appliances" was submitted to the IEC-CENELEC parallel vote and approved by CENELEC as EN 60335-2-81:2003/A2:2012.

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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.

NOTE When an international publication has been modified by common modifications, indicated by (mod), the relevant EN/HD applies.

***Addition to Annex ZA of EN 60335-2-81:2003:***

<u>Publication</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>EN/HD</u>	<u>Year</u>
IEC 60320-1 + A1	2001 2007	Appliance couplers for household and similar general purposes - Part 1: General requirements	EN 60320-1 + A1	2001 2007

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This amendment supplements or modifies the corresponding clauses of EN 60335-2-81:2003.

There are no special national conditions causing a deviation from this amendment.

There are no national deviations from this amendment.

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**Endorsement notice**

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This part 2 has to be used in conjunction with EN 60335-1, Household and similar electrical appliances – Safety – Part 1: General requirements. It was established on the basis of the 2002 edition of that standard. Amendments and revisions of Part 1 have also to be taken into account and the dates when such changes become applicable will be stated in the relevant amendment or revision of Part 1.

This part 2 supplements or modifies the corresponding clauses of EN 60335-1, so as to convert it into the European Standard: Safety requirements for electric foot warmers and heating mats.

When a particular subclause of Part 1 is not mentioned in this part 2, that subclause applies as far as is reasonable. When this standard states "addition", "modification" or "replacement", the relevant text of Part 1 is to be adapted accordingly.

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- notes: in small roman type.

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There are no national deviations from this European Standard, other than those listed in Annex ZB to EN 60335-1.

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## Introduction

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An investigation by CENELEC TC 61 has shown that all risks from products within the scope of this standard are fully covered by the Low Voltage Directive, 73/23/EEC. For products having mechanical moving parts, a risk assessment in accordance with the Machinery Directive, 98/37/EC, has shown that the risks are mainly of electrical origin and consequently this directive is not applicable. However, the relevant essential safety requirements of the Machinery Directive are covered by this standard together with the principal objectives of the Low Voltage Directive.

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## Endorsement notice

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## Annex ZC (normative)

### Normative references to international publications with their corresponding European publications

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ISO 2439	– <sup>1)</sup>	Flexible cellular polymeric materials – Determination of hardness (indentation technique)	EN ISO 2439	2000 <sup>2)</sup>

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<sup>1)</sup> undated reference

<sup>2)</sup> valid edition at date of issue

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**HOUSEHOLD AND SIMILAR ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES –  
SAFETY –**

**Part 2-81: Particular requirements for foot warmers  
and heating mats**

**FOREWORD**

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The technical content is therefore identical to the base edition and its amendments and has been prepared for user convenience.

It bears the edition number 2.2.

A vertical line in the margin shows where the base publication has been modified by amendments 1 and 2.

The French version of this standard has not been voted upon.

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This part 2 is to be used in conjunction with the latest edition of IEC 60335-1 and its amendments. It was established on the basis of the fourth edition (2001) of that standard.

NOTE 1 When "Part 1" is mentioned in this standard, it refers to IEC 60335-1.

This part 2 supplements or modifies the corresponding clauses in IEC 60335-1, so as to convert that publication into the IEC standard: Safety requirements for electric foot warmers and heating mats.

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The following differences exist in the countries indicated below.

- 3.1.9: Normal operation is different (USA).
- 6.1: Class 0 appliances are allowed if their rated voltage does not exceed 150 V (Japan).
- 6.1: Class 0 and class I appliances are allowed (USA).
- 19.2: The test is different (USA).
- 21.101: The test is different (USA).
- 22.101: The tests are different (USA).

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- reconfirmed,
- withdrawn,
- replaced by a revised edition, or
- amended.

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It is the recommendation of the committee that the content of the amendment 2 be adopted for implementation nationally not earlier than 12 months or later than 36 months from the date of publication.

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## INTRODUCTION

It has been assumed in the drafting of this International Standard that the execution of its provisions is entrusted to appropriately qualified and experienced persons.

This standard recognizes the internationally accepted level of protection against hazards such as electrical, mechanical, thermal, fire and radiation of appliances when operated as in normal use taking into account the manufacturer's instructions. It also covers abnormal situations that can be expected in practice and takes into account the way in which electromagnetic phenomena can affect the safe operation of appliances.

This standard takes into account the requirements of IEC 60364 as far as possible so that there is compatibility with the wiring rules when the appliance is connected to the supply mains. However, national wiring rules may differ.

If an appliance within the scope of this standard also incorporates functions that are covered by another part 2 of IEC 60335, the relevant part 2 is applied to each function separately, as far as is reasonable. If applicable, the influence of one function on the other is taken into account.

When a part 2 standard does not include additional requirements to cover hazards dealt with in Part 1, Part 1 applies.

NOTE 1 This means that the technical committees responsible for the part 2 standards have determined that it is not necessary to specify particular requirements for the appliance in question over and above the general requirements.

This standard is a product family standard dealing with the safety of appliances and takes precedence over horizontal and generic standards covering the same subject.

NOTE 2 Horizontal and generic standards covering a hazard are not applicable since they have been taken into consideration when developing the general and particular requirements for the IEC 60335 series of standards. For example, in the case of temperature requirements for surfaces on many appliances, generic standards, such as ISO 13732-1 for hot surfaces, are not applicable in addition to Part 1 or part 2 standards.

An appliance that complies with the text of this standard will not necessarily be considered to comply with the safety principles of the standard if, when examined and tested, it is found to have other features that impair the level of safety covered by these requirements.

An appliance employing materials or having forms of construction differing from those detailed in the requirements of this standard may be examined and tested according to the intent of the requirements and, if found to be substantially equivalent, may be considered to comply with the standard.



## HOUSEHOLD AND SIMILAR ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES – SAFETY –

### Part 2-81: Particular requirements for foot warmers and heating mats

#### 1 Scope

This clause of Part 1 is replaced by the following.

This International Standard deals with the safety of electric **foot warmers** and **heating mats** for household and similar purposes, their **rated voltage** being not more than 250 V.

Appliances not intended for normal household use but which nevertheless may be a source of danger to the public, such as appliances intended to be used by laymen in shops, in light industry and on farms, are within the scope of this standard.

As far as is practicable, this standard deals with the common hazards presented by appliances that are encountered by all persons in and around the home. However, in general, it does not take into account

- persons (including children) whose
  - physical, sensory or mental capabilities; or
  - lack of experience and knowledge
 prevents them from using the appliance safely without supervision or instruction;
- children playing with the appliance.

NOTE 101 Attention is drawn to the fact that

- for appliances intended to be used in vehicles or on board ships or aircraft, additional requirements may be necessary;
- in many countries additional requirements are specified by the national health authorities, the national authorities responsible for the protection of labour, and similar authorities.

NOTE 102 This standard does not apply to

- appliances specifically intended for use under medical supervision;
- electric blankets and pads (IEC 60335-2-17);
- electrically heated carpets;
- electrical heating appliances for breeding and rearing animals (IEC 60335-2-71).

#### 2 Normative references

This clause of Part 1 is applicable except as follows.

*Addition:*

- 2 | IEC 60320-1:2001, *Appliance couplers for household and similar general purposes – Part 1: General requirements*  
Amendment 1 (2007)<sup>1</sup>

ISO 2439, *Polymeric materials, cellular flexible. Determination of hardness (indentation technique)*.

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