



# Food Waste Disposers

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## PREFACE

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This standard contains:

Test procedures that may be applied to any brand or model of household food waste disposer for measuring performance. Results of tests in accordance with this standard may be publicly stated.

With regard to safety, AHAM recommends that all appliance products - both major and portable appliances - manufactured or marketed in the United States or Canada be submitted to an appropriate independent Nationally Recognized Testing Laboratory for inspection and listing in conformance with the safety standards and procedures followed by such laboratories. The relevant standard for food waste disposers in US is ANSI/UL 430, latest edition, "Standard for Waste Disposers" and relevant standard in Canada is CAN/CSA-C22.2 No. 60335-2-16, latest edition, Household and similar electrical appliances - Safety - Part 2-16: Particular requirements for food waste disposers.

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