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## **Household and similar electrical appliances – Safety**

### **Part 2.96: Particular requirements for flexible sheet heating elements for room heating**

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AS/NZS 60335.2.96:2020**HOUSEHOLD AND SIMILAR ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES –  
SAFETY –****Part 2.96: Particular requirements for flexible sheet heating elements for room heating****Foreword**

This Standard was prepared by the Joint Standards Australia/Standards New Zealand Committee EL-002 - Safety of Household and Similar Electrical Appliances and Small Power Transformers to supersede AS/NZS 60335.2.96:2002 three years from the date of publication of this Standard. During this period AS/NZS 60335.2.96:2002 will also remain current. Regulatory authorities that reference this Standard in regulation may apply these requirements at a different time. Users of this Standard should consult with these authorities to confirm their requirements.

The objective of this Standard is to provide manufacturers, designers, regulatory authorities, testing laboratories and similar organizations with safety requirements designed to give the user protection against hazards that might occur during normal operation and abnormal operation of the appliance and which may be used as the basis for approval for sale or for connection to the electricity supply mains in Australia and New Zealand.

The text of IEC 60335-2-96 Ed 2, prepared by IEC Technical Subcommittee TC 61, was submitted to the Standards Australia/Standards New Zealand Combined Procedure (dual public comment and committee vote) for adoption of the IEC standard as a Standards Australia/Standards New Zealand joint standard.

The principal changes in this edition as compared with the 2002 edition of AS/NZS 60335.2.96 are as follows (minor changes are not listed):

- the text has been aligned with the 2011 edition of Part 1;
- some notes have been converted to normative text or deleted (5.6, 7.12.1, 10.1, 11.2.103, 13.1, 13.2, 16.2, 16.3, 18.101, 18.102.5, 21.1, 22.103, 22.105, 22.106);
- the strength test for heating units incorporating insulated wires intended to be installed in floors has been modified a (21.103);
- the scope and specific requirements have been added for heating units installed in walls below a height of 1,2 m (6.2, 7.1, 7.12.1, 7.12.6, 7.101, 11.2, 19.2, 22.106, 24.102, Annex AA).

This Standard is an adoption with national modifications of the second edition of IEC 60335-2-96, *Household and similar electrical appliances – Safety – Part 2-96: Particular requirements for flexible sheet heating elements for room heating*. It has been varied as indicated to take account of Australian and New Zealand conditions.

This part 2 has to be used in conjunction with the latest edition of AS/NZS 60335.1 *Household and similar electrical appliances – Safety – Part 1: General requirements* and its Amendments. It was established on the basis of AS/NZS 60335.1:2011.

This part 2 supplements or modifies the corresponding clauses of AS/NZS 60335.1 so as to convert it into the Australian/New Zealand Standard: Safety requirements for flexible sheet heating elements for room heating.

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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- subclauses, tables and figures that are numbered starting from 101 are additional to those in Part 1;
- unless notes are in a new subclause or involve notes in Part 1, they are numbered starting from 101, including those in a replaced clause or subclause;
- additional annexes are lettered AA, BB, etc.;
- subclauses, notes and annexes that are additional to those in the IEC standard are prefixed with the letters AZ.

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- *test specifications: in italic type;*
- notes: in small roman type.

Words in **bold** in the text are defined in Clause 3.

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The essential safety requirements in AS/NZS 3820<sup>1</sup> that could be applicable to requirements for flexible sheet heating elements for room heating are covered by this standard.

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<sup>1</sup> AS/NZS 3820 *Essential safety requirements for electrical equipment*