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# Part 2-7: Particular requirements for washing machines

# FOREWORD

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This Consolidated version of IEC 60335-2-7 bears the edition number 7.2. It consists of the seventh edition (2008-06) [documents 61/3564/FDIS and 61/3653/RVD], its amendment 1 (2011-12) [documents 61/4279/FDIS and 61/4302/RVD] and its amendment 2 (2016-04) [documents 61/5106/FDIS and 61/5137/RVD]. The technical content is identical to the base edition and its amendments.

In this Redline version, a vertical line in the margin shows where the technical content is modified by amendments 1 and 2. Additions are in green text, deletions are in strikethrough red text. A separate Final version with all changes accepted is available in this publication.

This part of International Standard IEC 60335 has been prepared by IEC technical committee 61: Safety of household and similar electrical appliances.

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The principal changes in this edition as compared with the sixth edition of IEC 60335-2-7 are as follows (minor changes are not listed):

- the text of some notes in the identified subclauses has been converted to normative text (3.1.9, 5.7, 10.1, 10.2, 11.7, 18.101, 19.101, 20.101, 20.103, 22.6, 22.101, 22.103, 22.104, 23.101, AA.1, AA.2 and Clause 4 of Annex BB);
- the spillage test has been made applicable to all washing machines (15.2);
- additional requirements concerning the accessibility of mechanical release mechanisms have been added (22.105);
- requirements for washing machines employing an electrolyte, instead of detergent, have been introduced in Annex CC;
- the requirements for power driven wringers have been moved to informative Annex DD.

This publication has been drafted in accordance with the ISO/IEC Directives, Part 2.

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 washing machines.

NOTE 2 The following annexes contain provisions suitably modified from other IEC or ISO standards.

Annex AA Detergent and rinsing agent IEC 60436 and IEC 60456

Annex BB Ageing test for elastomeric parts ISO 1817

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 in Part 1 is to be adapted accordingly.

NOTE 3 The following numbering system is used:

- 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.
- NOTE 4 The following print types are used:
- requirements: in roman type;
- test specifications: in italic type;
- notes: in small roman type.

Words in **bold** in the text are defined in Clause 3. When a definition concerns an adjective, the adjective and the associated noun are also in bold.

A list of all parts of the IEC 60335 series, under the general title: *Household and similar electrical appliances* – *Safety*, can be found on the IEC website.

NOTE 5 The attention of National Committees is drawn to the fact that equipment manufacturers and testing organizations may need a transitional period following publication of a new, amended or revised IEC publication in which to make products in accordance with the new requirements and to equip themselves for conducting new or revised tests.

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The following differences exist in the countries indicated below.

- 3.1.9: Different size cloths are used. The initial water temperature for machines without heating elements and without a wringer is 71 °C (USA).
- 6.1: Class 01 appliances are allowed (China and Japan).
- 6.2: IPX0 appliances are allowed (Canada and USA).
- 11.7: The test durations are different (USA).
- 15.101: The test is different (USA).
- 19.7: Appliances without a programmer are operated until steady conditions are established (USA).
- 19.101: A redundant set of contacts is not required (USA).
- 22.6: The test is different (USA).
- 22.101: The test is carried out at twice the permissible inlet pressure or 2,0 MPa, whichever is higher (Norway).
- 22.101: The test is not carried out (USA).
- Annex AA: The detergent and rinsing agent are different (USA).
- Annex BB: Different tests are carried out (USA).

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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.

NOTE 1 For example, if appliances within the scope of this Part 2

- have a separate spin container for water extraction, IEC 60335-2-4 is also applicable as far as is reasonable;
- have a drying function, IEC 60335-2-11 is also applicable is applicable as far as is reasonable.

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

NOTE 2 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 3 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.