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Part 2-2: Particular requirements for vacuum cleaners and water-suction
cleaning appliances**

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INTERPRETATION SHEET 1

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TC 61 interpretation sheet on: Robotic vacuum cleaners supplied with a rechargeable battery that is not recharged in the appliance.

Introduction

There are robotic vacuum cleaners that are supplied with a rechargeable battery that is not recharged in the appliance. A docking station may not be supplied but if it is, it does not provide automatic battery charging facilities. The battery must be removed from the robotic vacuum cleaner for recharging.

Amendment 1 to IEC 60335-1 published in December 2013 changed the title of Annex B from **“Appliances powered by rechargeable batteries”** to **“Appliances powered by rechargeable batteries that are recharged in the appliance”** and introduced a new annex **“Battery-operated appliances powered by batteries that are non-rechargeable or not recharged in the appliance”**

Amendment 1 to IEC 60335-2-2 is now out of step with IEC 60335-1 ed 5.1. It is stated in the Foreword of IEC 60335-2-2 Ed 6 and Ed 6.1 “This Part 2 is to be used in conjunction with the latest edition of IEC 60335-1 and its amendments”

This situation has caused uncertainty on how to test robotic vacuum cleaners supplied with a rechargeable battery that is not recharged in the appliance.

Questions:

- 1) Should these appliance be tested in accordance with IEC 60335-2-2 and Annex S to IEC 60335-1 Ed 5.1
- 2) Should any on the modification to Annex B of IEC 60335-1 included in IEC 60335-2-2 Ed 6 and Ed 6.1 be taken into account.

ANSWERS

- 1) Yes. Annex S of IEC 60335-1 Ed 5.1 is applicable for these appliances
- 2) The following modifications to Annex B of IEC 60335-1 included in IEC 60335-2-2 Ed 6 and Ed 6.1 should be taken into account: Modification to Clauses 19, 21, 22, 24 and 30

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This sixth edition cancels and replaces the fifth edition published in 2002 including its Amendment 1 (2004) and Amendment 2 (2006). It constitutes a technical revision.

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

- the text is aligned with IEC 60335-1:2001, and its Amendments 1 and 2 (see text marked with a marginal bar).

The text of this standard is based on the following documents:

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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 vacuum cleaners and water-suction cleaning appliances.

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 2 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 3 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**.

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- amended.

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

The following differences exist in the countries indicated below.

- 3.1.9: Normal operation is defined differently (USA).
- 6.1: Class 0 appliances are allowed (Canada, Japan, USA).

- 6.1: Household vacuum cleaners are required to be class II or class III (Denmark, France, Italy, Netherlands, Norway and Turkey).
- 6.2: IPX4 is not required (USA).
- 7.1: The additional marking for appliance outlets for accessories is not required (USA).
- 10.1: The power input of booster settings is taken into account (USA).
- 11.5: Booster settings are activated every 2 min out of 8 min (USA).
- 11.7: The test is carried out with one-third of the cord unreeled until steady conditions are established (USA).
- 15.2: The test is carried out differently (USA).
- 16.3: The test is carried out differently (USA).

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.

A bilingual version of this publication may be issued at a later date.

The contents of the interpretation sheet of December 2016 have been included in this copy.

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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 2-2: Particular requirements for vacuum cleaners and water-suction cleaning appliances

1 Scope

This clause of Part 1 is replaced by the following.

This International Standard deals with the safety of electric vacuum cleaners and **water-suction cleaning appliances** for household and similar purposes, including vacuum cleaners for animal grooming, their **rated voltage** being not more than 250 V. It also applies to **centrally-sited vacuum cleaners** and **automatic battery-powered cleaners**.

This standard also applies to **motorized cleaning heads** and current-carrying hoses associated with a particular vacuum cleaner.

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 and other premises for normal housekeeping purposes, are within the scope of this standard.

NOTE 101 Examples of such appliances are appliances intended to be used for normal housekeeping purposes in hotels, offices, schools, hospitals and similar premises.

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 knowledgeprevents them from using the appliance safely without supervision or instruction;
- children playing with the appliance.

NOTE 102 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, the national water supply authorities and similar authorities.

NOTE 103 This standard does not apply to

- appliances intended exclusively for industrial purposes;
- appliances intended to be used in locations where special conditions prevail, such as the presence of a corrosive or explosive atmosphere (dust, vapour or gas);
- wet and dry vacuum cleaners, including power brush, for commercial use (IEC 60335-2-69).

2 Normative references

This clause of Part 1 is applicable except as follows.

Addition:

IEC 60312, *Vacuum cleaners for household use – Methods of measuring the performance*

ISO 6344-2, *Coated abrasives – Grain size analysis – Part 2: Determination of grain size distribution of macrogrits P12 to P220*

3 Definitions

This clause of Part 1 is applicable except as follows.

3.1.4 Addition:

NOTE 101 For appliances incorporating a **booster setting**, the **rated power input** corresponds to the operation of the appliance without the **booster setting** being used.

3.1.9 Replacement:

normal operation

operation of the appliance under the following conditions:

the appliance is supplied at **rated voltage** and operated continuously with the air inlet adjusted to give a power input P_m after 20 s

Three minutes later a final adjustment of the air inlet is made, if necessary.

P_m is calculated from the formula

$$P_m = 0,5 (P_f + P_i)$$

where

P_f is the power input in watts, after 3 min of operation with the air inlet unobstructed. Any device that ensures a flow of air to cool the motor in the event of a blockage of the main air inlet is allowed to operate;

P_i is the power input in watts, after a further 20 s of operation with the air inlet blocked. Any device that is adjustable without the aid of a **tool**, and which ensures a flow of air to cool the motor in the event of a blockage of a main air inlet, is rendered inoperative.

If the appliance is marked with a **rated voltage range**, it is supplied at the mean value of the range if the difference between the limits of the range does not exceed 10 % of the mean value. If the difference exceeds 10 %, the supply voltage is the upper value of the range.

The measurements are made with the appliance fitted with a clean dust bag and filter, any water collection container being empty. If the appliance is intended to be used only with a hose, detachable nozzles and tubes are removed and the hose is laid out straight. If the appliance is provided with a hose as an accessory, it is operated without the hose.

Rotating brushes and similar devices are in operation but not in contact with any surface. **Motorized cleaning heads** are connected by means of the hose or tube and are in operation but not in contact with any surface.

Appliance outlets for other accessories are loaded with a resistive load in accordance with the marking.

Automatic battery-powered cleaners are operated with a clean dust bag or filter on the carpet defined in IEC 60312. A frame of 1,5 m by 1,5 m is used on the carpet to limit the area of action. The air inlet is unobstructed.

3.101

water-suction cleaning appliance

appliance for aspirating an aqueous solution that may contain foaming detergent

3.102

booster setting

position of a control resulting in a temporary higher power input that is automatically reduced to the power input value when the setting is not used

3.103

centrally-sited vacuum cleaner

vacuum cleaner that is connected to a ducting system installed in the building

NOTE During use, the nozzle and its associated hose are connected to one of the suction inlets of the ducting system.

3.104

motorized cleaning head

accessory containing a motor that is supplied from the vacuum cleaner and which is attached to the end of a hose or tube

3.105

automatic battery-powered cleaner

automatic vacuum cleaner that operates without human control only within a defined perimeter, within a pre-programmed area or in an area self-controlled by the appliance

The cleaner consists of the mobile part and may have a **docking station**.

3.106

docking station

unit that may provide

- manual or automatic battery charging facilities,
- dust removal,
- data processing facility, and
- suction for the mobile part

NOTE A **docking station** is also known as a base unit.

4 General requirement

This clause of Part 1 is applicable.

5 General conditions for the tests

This clause of Part 1 is applicable except as follows.

5.2 Addition:

A new hose is used for each of the tests of 21.101 to 21.105.

5.101 *Current-carrying hoses operating at **safety extra-low voltage** are not subjected to the tests of 21.101 to 21.105.*

6 Classification

This clause of Part 1 is applicable except as follows.

6.1 Modification:

Vacuum cleaners and **water-suction cleaning appliances** shall be **class I**, **class II** or **class III**.

Vacuum cleaners for animal grooming shall be **class II** or **class III**.

Vacuum cleaners may be **class 0** provided that their **rated voltage** does not exceed 150 V.

Stationary parts of **automatic battery-powered cleaners** may be **class 0** if the **rated voltage** does not exceed 150 V.

6.2 Addition:

Vacuum cleaners for animal grooming and **water-suction cleaning appliances** shall be at least IPX4.

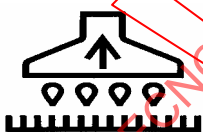
7 Marking and instructions

This clause of Part 1 is applicable except as follows.

7.1 Addition:

The appliance shall be marked with the sum of its **rated power input** and the maximum load of the appliance outlet in watts (if applicable).

7.6 Addition:



[symbol IEC 60417-5935 (2002-10)]

motorized cleaning head for
water suction cleaning

7.12 Addition:

The instructions for appliances having a current-carrying hose operating at other than **safety extra-low voltage** shall include the substance of the following:

CAUTION: This hose contains electrical connections:

- do not use to suck up water (for vacuum cleaners only);
- do not immerse in water for cleaning;
- the hose should be checked regularly and must not be used if damaged.

The instructions for vacuum cleaners incorporating rotating brushes or similar devices, and **water-suction cleaning appliances**, shall state that the plug must be removed from the socket-outlet before cleaning or maintaining the appliance.

If symbol IEC 60417-5935 (2002-10) is used, its meaning shall be explained.

7.14 Addition:

The height of symbol IEC 60417-5935 (2002-10) shall be at least 15 mm.

Compliance is checked by measurement.

7.101 Motorized cleaning heads shall be marked with

- **rated voltage** or **rated voltage range** in volts;
- **rated power input** in watts;
- name, trade mark or identification mark of the manufacturer or responsible vendor;
- model or type reference.

Motorized cleaning heads for **water-suction cleaning appliances**, except those of **class III construction** having a **working voltage** up to 24 V, shall be marked with symbol IEC 60417-5935 (2002-10).

NOTE This symbol is an information sign and, except for the colours, the rules of ISO 3864-1 apply.

Compliance is checked by inspection.

7.102 Appliance outlets for accessories shall be marked with the maximum load in watts.

NOTE This marking may be on the appliance close to the appliance outlet.

Compliance is checked by inspection.

8 Protection against access to live parts

This clause of Part 1 is applicable except as follows.

8.1.1 Addition:

If the instructions state that a part is to be removed when replacing a lamp or a drive belt, and a **tool** is required for its removal, the part is not considered to be a **detachable part** provided that

- an instruction to disconnect the appliance from the supply before opening is marked on the cover or is visible during its removal, and
- after removal of the cover, access to **live parts** is prevented by at least **basic insulation**.

9 Starting of motor-operated appliances

This clause of Part 1 is not applicable.

10 Power input and current

This clause of Part 1 is applicable except as follows.

10.1 Addition:

*The power input of **motorized cleaning heads** is measured separately.*

NOTE 101 Appliance outlets are not loaded when measuring the **rated power input**.

Booster settings are not used during these measurements.

11 Heating

This clause of Part 1 is applicable except as follows.

11.3 Addition:

NOTE 101 When measuring the power input to ensure that the appliance has been correctly reassembled, the power input P_1 with the air-inlet blocked is measured.

11.5 Addition:

Booster settings are activated as often as allowed by the construction.

Docking stations of automatic battery-powered cleaners are operated at 0,94 or 1,06 times **rated voltage**, whichever is the most unfavourable.

If a suction mode is incorporated in **docking stations of automatic battery-powered cleaners**, the test conditions of 3.1.9 are applied.

11.7 Addition:

Appliances are operated until steady conditions are established.

Appliances incorporating an automatic cord reel are operated with one-third of the total length of the cord unreeled for 30 min, after which the cord is completely unreeled.

12 Void

13 Leakage current and electric strength at operating temperature

This clause of Part 1 is applicable except as follows.

13.1 Addition:

NOTE 101 **Booster settings** are not used.

14 Transient overvoltages

This clause of Part 1 is applicable.

15 Moisture resistance

This clause of Part 1 is applicable except as follows.

15.2 Replacement:

Appliances having a liquid container shall be constructed so that spillage of liquid due to overfilling, and due to overturning of appliances liable to be overturned in normal use, does not affect their electrical insulation.

Compliance is checked by the following test.

The liquid container is filled with water to half the level indicated in the instructions. The appliance is placed on a support inclined at an angle of 10 ° to the horizontal. A force of 180 N is applied to the top of the appliance in the most unfavourable horizontal direction. If the appliance overturns, it is considered to be liable to be overturned in normal use.

*Appliances with **type X attachment**, except those having a specially prepared cord, are fitted with the lightest permissible type of flexible cord of the smallest cross-sectional area specified in Table 13.*

Appliances incorporating an appliance inlet are tested with or without an appropriate connector in position, whichever is more unfavourable.

Liquid containers that are filled by hand are completely filled with water containing approximately 1 % NaCl, and a further quantity, equal to 15 % of the capacity of the container or 0,25 l, whichever is the greater, is poured in steadily over a period of 1 min.

*Containers of **hand-held appliances** and other appliances liable to be overturned in normal use are completely filled, the cover being closed. The appliance is then overturned and left in that position for 5 min, unless it returns automatically to its normal position of use.*

*Nozzles and **motorized cleaning heads of water-suction cleaning appliances** are placed in a container, the base of which is level with the surface supporting the appliance. The container is filled with a detergent solution to a level of 5 mm above its base, this level being maintained throughout the test. The solution consists of 20 g of NaCl and 1 ml of a solution of 28 % by mass of dodecyl sodium sulphate in each 8 l of water.*

The appliance is operated until its liquid container is completely full and for a further 5 min.

NOTE 101 The solution is to be stored in a cool atmosphere and used within seven days of its preparation.

NOTE 102 The chemical designation of dodecyl sodium sulphate is $C_{12}H_{25}NaSO_4$.

After each of these tests, the appliance shall withstand the electric strength test of 16.3.

*Inspection shall show that there is no trace of liquid on insulation that could result in a reduction of **clearances** or **creepage distances** below the values specified in Clause 29.*

15.101 Motorized cleaning heads of water-suction cleaning appliances shall be resistant to liquids that may come into contact with them.

Compliance is checked by the following tests.

*The **motorized cleaning head** is subjected to an impact test as described in IEC 60068-2-75, the value of the impact being 2 J. The **motorized cleaning head** is rigidly supported and three blows are applied to every point of the enclosure that is likely to be weak.*

It is then subjected to the free-fall test procedure 1 of IEC 60068-2-32. It is dropped 4 000 times from a height of 100 mm onto a steel plate having a thickness of not less than 15 mm. It is dropped

- 1 000 times on its right side;
- 1 000 times on its left side;
- 1 000 times on its front face;
- 1 000 times on its cleaning surface.

The **motorized cleaning head** is then subjected to the test described in 14.2.7 of IEC 60529, the water containing approximately 1 % NaCl.

The **motorized cleaning head** shall then withstand the electric strength test of 16.3, the voltage being applied between the **live parts** and the solution. Inspection shall show that there is no trace of saline solution on insulation that could result in a reduction of **clearances** or **creepage distances** below the values specified in Clause 29.

NOTE The test is not carried out on **motorized cleaning heads** of **class III construction** having a **working voltage** up to 24 V.

16 Leakage current and electric strength

This clause of Part 1 is applicable except as follows.

16.3 Addition:

Current-carrying hoses, except for their electrical connections, are immersed for 1 h in water containing approximately 1 % NaCl, at a temperature of $20\text{ °C} \pm 5\text{ °C}$. While the hose is still immersed, a voltage of 2 000 V is applied for 5 min between each conductor and all the other conductors connected together. A voltage of 3 000 V is then applied for 1 min between all the conductors and the saline solution.

17 Overload protection of transformers and associated circuits

This clause of Part 1 is applicable.

18 Endurance

This clause of Part 1 is not applicable.

19 Abnormal operation

This clause of Part 1 is applicable except as follows.

19.1 Addition:

The test of 19.7 is only carried out on **motorized cleaning heads** and separate fan motors of **centrally-sited vacuum cleaners**.

Water-suction cleaning appliances having a valve are also subjected to the test of 19.101.

Appliances incorporating a **booster setting** that is not deactivated electronically are also subjected to the test of 19.102.

Centrally-sited vacuum cleaners are also subjected to the tests of 19.103, and 19.104 if applicable.

19.7 Addition:

Motorized cleaning heads are tested with the rotating brush or similar device locked for 30 s.

Separate fan motors of **centrally-sited vacuum cleaners** are operated until steady conditions are reached.

19.9 Replacement:

Docking stations of automatic battery-powered cleaners incorporating a suction mode are tested at **rated voltage** with the air inlet fully blocked until steady conditions are established.

The temperatures of the windings shall not exceed the values specified in Table 8.

19.10 Replacement:

Appliances incorporating series motors are supplied at 1,3 times **rated voltage** and operated for 30 s with the air inlet blocked, rotating brushes and similar devices being removed.

After this test, the safety of the appliance shall not have been impaired, in particular windings and connections shall not have worked loose.

19.101 Water-suction cleaning appliances, the liquid container of which incorporates a valve or other overfill prevention device, are supplied at **rated voltage**. The appliance is operated with the nozzle placed in a trough containing water and with the valve or overfill prevention-device held open or otherwise rendered inoperative. The test is terminated 30 s after water starts to flow out of the appliance.

NOTE If the appliance incorporates more than one overfill prevention device, these are rendered inoperative in turn.

19.102 The deactivating means of the **booster setting** is rendered inoperative and the appliance is operated under the conditions specified in Clause 11 using the **booster setting**.

19.103 Centrally-sited vacuum cleaners are supplied at **rated voltage** and operated with the inlet for the suction hose open and then closed.

The temperatures of the windings shall not exceed the values specified in 19.9.

19.104 Centrally-sited vacuum cleaners with separate ventilation for the motor are supplied at **rated voltage** and operated with the airflow through the motor blocked.

20 Stability and mechanical hazards

This clause of Part 1 is applicable except as follows.

20.1 Addition:

NOTE 101 **Motorized cleaning heads** are not subjected to this test.

20.2 Addition:

NOTE 101 The requirement regarding moving parts does not apply to rotating brushes and similar devices. It does not apply to parts that become accessible when changing accessories and only move when the brush or similar device is in operation.

21 Mechanical strength

This clause of Part 1 is applicable except as follows.

21.101 Current-carrying hoses shall be resistant to crushing.

Compliance is checked by the following test.

The hose is placed between two parallel steel plates each having a length of 100 mm, a width of 50 mm and the edges of the longer sides rounded with a radius of 1 mm. The axis of the hose is positioned at right angles to the longer sides of the plates. The plates are placed at a distance of approximately 350 mm from one end of the hose.

The steel plates are pressed together at a rate of 50 mm/min $\pm$ 5 mm/min until the applied force is 1,5 kN. The force is then released and the electric strength test of 16.3 is carried out between the conductors connected together and the saline solution.

21.102 Current-carrying hoses shall be resistant to abrasion.

Compliance is checked by the following test.

One end of the hose is attached to the connecting rod of the crank mechanism shown in Figure 101. The crank rotates at 30 r/min resulting in the end of the hose moving horizontally backwards and forwards over a distance of 300 mm.

The hose is supported by a rotating smooth roller over which a belt of abrasive cloth moves at a speed of 0,1 m/min. The abrasive is corundum grit size P 100, as specified in ISO 6344-2. A mass of 1 kg is suspended from the other end of the hose, which is guided to avoid rotation. In the lowest position, the mass has a maximum distance of 600 mm from the centre of the roller.

The test is carried out for 100 revolutions of the crank.

*After the test, **basic insulation** shall not be exposed, and the electric strength test of 16.3 is carried out between the conductors connected together and the saline solution.*

21.103 Current-carrying hoses shall be resistant to flexing.

Compliance is checked by the following test.

*The end of the hose intended to be connected to the **motorized cleaning head** is attached to the pivoting arm of the test equipment shown in Figure 102. The distance between the pivot axis of the arm and the point where the hose enters the rigid part is 300 mm $\pm$ 5 mm. The arm can be raised from the horizontal position by an angle of 40° $\pm$ 1°. A mass of 5 kg is suspended from the other end of the hose or from a convenient point along the hose so that when the arm is in the horizontal position the mass is supported and there is no tension on the hose.*

NOTE 1 It may be necessary to reposition the mass during the test.

The mass slides against an inclined plate so that the maximum deflection of the hose is 3°. The arm is raised and lowered by means of a crank that rotates at a speed of 10 r/min $\pm$ 1 r/min.

The test is carried out for 2 500 revolutions of the crank after which the fixed end of the hose is turned through 90° and the test continued for a further 2 500 revolutions. The test is repeated in each of the other two 90° positions.

NOTE 2 If the hose ruptures before 10 000 revolutions of the crank, the flexing is terminated.

After the test, the hose shall withstand the electric strength test of 16.3.

21.104 Current-carrying hoses shall be resistant to torsion.

Compliance is checked by the following test.

One end of the hose is held in a horizontal position with the remainder of the hose freely suspended. The free end is rotated in cycles, each cycle consisting of five turns in one direction and five turns in the opposite direction, at a rate of 10 turns per minute.

The test is carried out for 2 000 cycles.

After the test, the hose shall withstand the electric strength test of 16.3 and shall not be damaged to such an extent that compliance with this standard is impaired.

21.105 Current-carrying hoses shall be resistant to cold conditions.

Compliance is checked by the following test.

A 600 mm length of hose is bent as shown in Figure 103 and the ends are tied together over a length of 25 mm. The hose is then placed for 2 h in a cabinet having a temperature of $-15\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C} \pm 2\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$. Immediately after, the hose is removed from the cabinet it is flexed three times, as shown in Figure 104, at a rate of one flexing per second.

The test is carried out three times.

There shall be no cracks or breaks in the hose and it shall withstand the electric strength test of 16.3.

NOTE Any discoloration is neglected.

22 Construction

This clause of Part 1 is applicable except as follows.

22.32 Addition:

Vacuum cleaners shall be constructed so that the internal parts of the motors and electrical connections are not subjected to deposition of dust due to the passage of air.

NOTE 101 This requirement is met if the air passes through the dust bag before it passes through the motor.

NOTE 102 For **water-suction cleaning appliances**, compliance with the requirement concerning protection against deposition of pollution has been adequately checked by the test of 15.2.

22.101 Motorized cleaning heads for use with appliances that have a water-suction cleaning mode, except those of class III construction having a working voltage up to 24 V, shall be motorized cleaning heads for water-suction cleaning appliances.

*Compliance is checked by inspection of the marking and the tests for **motorized cleaning heads for water-suction cleaning appliances**.*

23 Internal wiring

This clause of Part 1 is applicable.

24 Components

This clause of Part 1 is applicable except as follows.

24.1.3 Addition:

Switches incorporated in vacuum cleaners, other than those for household use only, are tested for 50 000 cycles of operation.

25 Supply connection and external flexible cords

This clause of Part 1 is applicable except as follows.

25.1 Addition:

Vacuum cleaners for animal grooming and **water-suction cleaning appliances** shall not incorporate an appliance inlet.

25.7 Modification:

Supply cords shall be not lighter than the following:

- for **hand-held appliances** having a mass not exceeding 1,5 kg when fitted with the heaviest accessory, but excluding the **supply cord**,
 - if rubber insulated, ordinary tough rubber sheathed flexible cord (code designation 60245 IEC 53);
 - if polyvinyl chloride insulated, light polyvinyl chloride sheathed flexible cord (code designation 60227 IEC 52);
- for appliances for animal grooming,
 - ordinary polychloroprene sheathed flexible cord (code designation 60245 IEC 57);
 - if polyvinyl chloride insulated, flat twin flexible cord (code designation 60227 IEC 42);
- for other appliances,
 - if rubber insulated, ordinary tough rubber sheathed flexible cord (code designation 60245 IEC 53);
 - if polyvinyl chloride insulated, ordinary polyvinyl chloride sheathed flexible cord (code designation 60227 IEC 53).

25.23 Addition:

Live conductors in a flexible hose shall have an insulation and sheath thickness at least equivalent to that specified for a 60227 IEC 52 cord of $2 \times 0,75 \text{ mm}^2$.

NOTE 101 The conductors used may consist of copper-plated steel wires.

26 Terminals for external conductors

This clause of Part 1 is applicable.

27 Provision for earthing

This clause of Part 1 is applicable.

28 Screws and connections

This clause of Part 1 is applicable.

29 Clearances, creepage distances and solid insulation

This clause of Part 1 is applicable.

30 Resistance to heat and fire

This clause of Part 1 is applicable except as follows.

30.2 Addition:

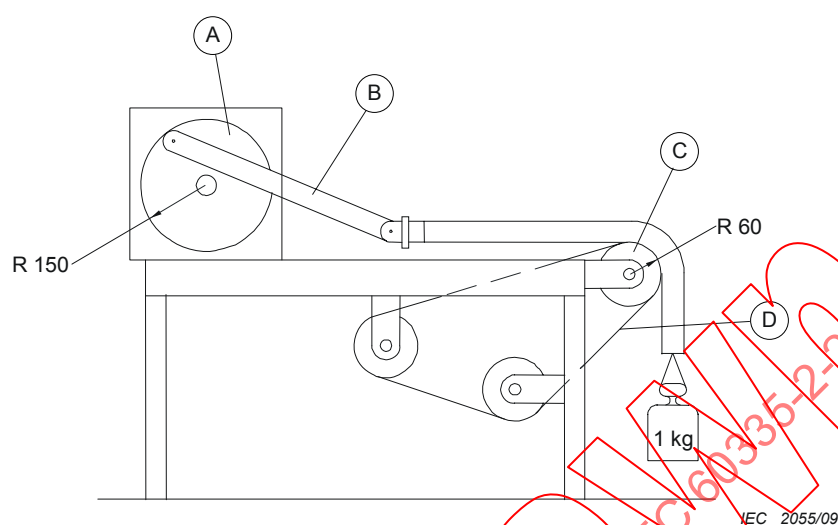
For centrally-sited vacuum cleaners, 30.2.3 is applicable. For other appliances, 30.2.2 is applicable.

31 Resistance to rusting

This clause of Part 1 is applicable.

32 Radiation, toxicity and similar hazards

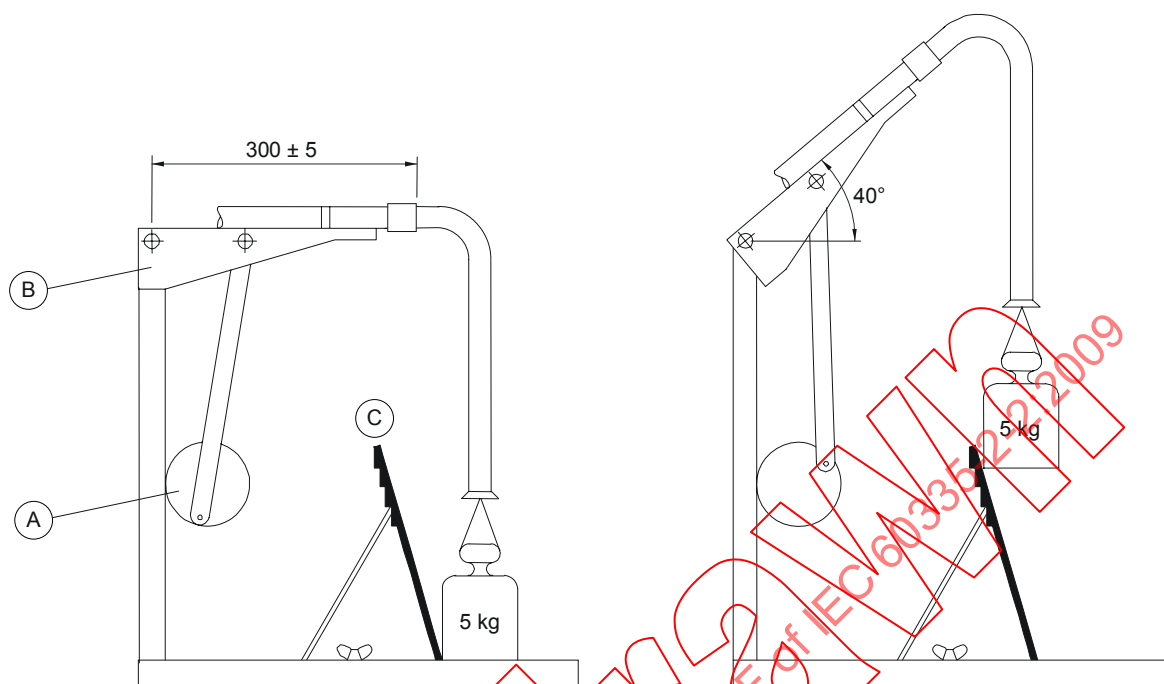
This clause of Part 1 is applicable.

Dimensions in millimetres**Key**

- A crank mechanism
- B connecting rod
- C roller, diameter 120 mm
- D abrasive cloth belt

Figure 101 – Apparatus for testing the abrasion resistance of current-carrying hoses

Dimensions in millimetres



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Key

- A crank mechanism
- B arm
- C inclined plane

Figure 102 – Apparatus for testing the resistance to flexing of current-carrying hoses

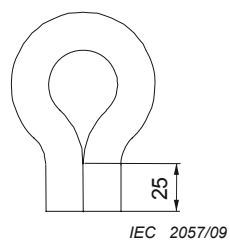
Dimensions in millimetres

Figure 103 – Configuration of the hose for the freezing treatment

Intermediate position



Figure 104 – Flexing positions for the hose after removal from the freezing cabinet