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PREFACE

This Standard has been developed to assist in the process of implementation of the Australian Medical Device legislation.

After consultation with stakeholders in both countries, Standards Australia and Standards New Zealand decided to develop this Standard as an Australian, rather than an Australian/New Zealand Standard, through the Joint Standards Australia/Standards New Zealand Committee HE-012 on Surgical Implants.

This Standard is identical with and has been reproduced from EN 45502-1:1997, *Active implantable medical devices — Part 1: General requirements for safety, marking and information to be provided by the manufacturer*.

The objective of this Standard is to specify requirements for active implantable medical devices for safety, marking and information to be provided by the manufacturer.

This Standard provides for the use of the following Australian/New Zealand Standards as equivalents to the International Standards referenced herein:

Reference to International Standard or other Equivalent Australian/New Zealand Standard publication

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INTRODUCTION

This standard specifies general requirements for ACTIVE IMPLANTABLE MEDICAL DEVICES, to provide basic assurance of safety for both patients and users.

To minimize the likelihood of a device being misused, this standard also details comprehensive requirements for MARKINGS and for other information to be supplied as part of the documentation with any ACTIVE IMPLANTABLE MEDICAL DEVICE.

For particular types of ACTIVE IMPLANTABLE MEDICAL DEVICE, the general requirements are supplemented or modified by the requirements of particular standards which are in preparation[†] as separate Parts of EN 45502. A requirement of such a particular standard takes priority over the corresponding requirement of this general standard. Where particular standards exist, this general standard should not be used alone. Special care is required when applying this general standard alone to ACTIVE IMPLANTABLE MEDICAL DEVICES for which no particular standard has yet been published.

AUSTRALIAN STANDARD

Active implantable medical devices**Part 1: General requirements for safety, marking and information to be provided by the manufacturer****1 Scope**

This Part 1 of EN 45502 specifies requirements that are generally applicable to ACTIVE IMPLANTABLE MEDICAL DEVICES. For particular types of ACTIVE IMPLANTABLE MEDICAL DEVICES, these essential requirements are supplemented or modified by the requirements of particular standards which form additional parts of this European Standard.

The tests that are specified in EN 45502 are type tests and are to be carried out on samples of a device to show compliance.

This Part of EN 45502 is applicable not only to ACTIVE IMPLANTABLE MEDICAL DEVICES that are electrically powered but also to those powered by other energy sources (for example by gas pressure or by springs).

This Part of EN 45502 is also applicable to some non-implantable parts and accessories of the devices (see note 1).

NOTE 1 The device that is commonly referred to as an ACTIVE IMPLANTABLE MEDICAL DEVICE may in fact be a single device, a combination of devices, or a combination of a device or devices and one or more accessories. Not all of these parts are required to be either partially or totally implantable, but there is a need to specify some requirements of non-implantable parts and accessories if they could affect the safety or performance of the implantable device.

NOTE 2 The terminology used in this European Standard is intended to be consistent with the terminology of Directive 90/385/EEC.

† At present (July 1997) particular standards for implantable cardiac pulse generators, implantable cardiac defibrillators, implantable infusion pumps, implantable neurostimulators, and cochlear implants are in preparation.