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SAFETY REQUIREMENTS FOR ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT FOR MEASUREMENT, CONTROL, AND LABORATORY USE –

Part 2-051: Particular requirements for laboratory equipment for mixing and stirring

1 Scope and object

This clause of Part 1 is applicable except as follows:

1.1.1 Equipment included in scope

Replacement:

Replace the text ~~in 1.1 by the following paragraph~~, except the first paragraph, with the following new text:

This part of IEC 61010 is applicable to electrically operated laboratory equipment and its accessories for mechanical mixing and stirring, where mechanical energy influences the shape or size or homogeneity of materials and their accessories. Such devices ~~may~~ can contain heating elements.

NOTE If all or part of the equipment falls within the scope of one or more other Part 2 standards of the IEC 61010 series as well as within the scope of this document, consideration is ~~to be~~ given to those other Part 2 standards. The standard for equipment which contains heating devices is IEC 61010-2-010.

2 Normative references

This clause of Part 1 is applicable ~~except as follows~~:

Addition:

Add the following references to the list:

~~IEC 62061, Safety of machinery – Functional safety of safety-related electrical, electronic and programmable electronic control systems~~

~~ISO 13849, Safety of machinery – Safety-related parts of control systems~~

3 Terms and definitions

This clause of Part 1 is applicable.

4 Tests

This clause of Part 1 is applicable.

5 Marking and documentation

This clause of Part 1 is applicable except as follows:

5.4.1 General

Addition:

Add, after item h), the following new item:

- aa) if a HAZARD could be caused by operating a mixer or stirrer intended for use as HAND-HELD EQUIPMENT, there shall be a warning statement to that effect.

5.4.4 Equipment operation

Addition:

Add after item j), the following new item:

- aa) instructions for fixing the stirring vessel if specified and sold as part of a mixing system, or if otherwise applicable.

Add a new paragraph after the list of items as follows:

The instructions shall warn against use of the equipment in hazardous atmospheres or with hazardous materials for which the equipment is not designed.

Replacement:

Replace the paragraph before the compliance statement with the following new text:

The user shall be made aware that the protection provided by the equipment ~~may~~ can be impaired if the equipment is used with accessories not provided or recommended by the manufacturer, or used in a manner not specified by the manufacturer.

6 Protection against electric shock

This clause of Part 1 is applicable except as follows:

6.8.3.1 The AC voltage test

Replacement:

Replace the first sentence with the following new sentence:

The voltage tester shall be capable of maintaining the test voltage throughout the test within $\pm 5\%$ of the specified value.

7 Protection against mechanical HAZARDS

This clause of Part 1 is applicable except as follows:

7.3.2 Exceptions

Replacement:

Replace, in item a), the words "for example drilling and mixing equipment" with the following:

for example stirrer shafts and impellers extending downwards into material being stirred

Addition:

Add the following new subclauses:

7.3.101 Speed controls

If a SINGLE FAULT of an electronic speed control could cause a HAZARD, the equipment shall incorporate means to interrupt power or otherwise prevent the HAZARD.

Conformity is checked by inspection and test.

7.3.102 Movement during operation

Equipment other than HAND-HELD EQUIPMENT shall not change position during NORMAL USE.

Conformity is checked by inspection and test. Equipment which has not moved by more than 5 mm after operation for 10 min is considered to meet the requirement.

7.3.103 Restarting after interruption

Depending on the operation, a HAZARD ~~may~~ can be caused either by re-starting or by not re-starting after interruption of the mixing action. Instructions shall specify whether equipment will re-start or not re-start, both in the case of MAINS interruption and in the case of a fault or mechanical interruption. If after interruption a HAZARD can occur the equipment shall be equipped with an audible or visible signal to warn that an interruption has occurred.

Conformity is checked by inspection of documentation.

7.3.104 HAZARDS related to application

Additional HAZARDS ~~may~~ can occur with equipment used to mix flammable materials, or where the transfer of mechanical energy to a glass apparatus could lead to breakage.

Instructions for use shall warn against the use of equipment in such applications unless the equipment incorporates appropriate safety devices to prevent a HAZARD in SINGLE FAULT CONDITION. Such safety devices shall be independent from control systems.

Examples of HAZARDS and appropriate safety devices include the following:

a) Where failure of the mixing action could cause a HAZARD, for example in metal-organic reactions, the safety device shall initiate an alarm signal:

- 1) if the drive shaft or mixer fails to turn when the mixer is switched on; or
- 2) when an overload causes the shaft speed to fall below a preset level.

NOTE Speed reduction can be caused by a lack of power or by the operation of an automatic device which reduces the shaft speed in the case of an overload.

b) Where a HAZARD could be caused by excessive torque applied to high-viscosity material, for example through glass breakage, the safety device shall initiate an alarm signal if the torque rises above a preset level. It is recommended that safety devices work according to the principle of rest-current.

Conformity is checked by inspection and test.

8 Resistance to mechanical stresses

This clause of Part 1 is applicable except as follows:

8.1 General

Replacement:

Replace the text of item 3) with the following new text:

- 3) *except for FIXED EQUIPMENT, for equipment with a mass over 100 kg, or for equipment whose size and weight make unintentional movement unlikely and which is not moved in NORMAL USE, the appropriate test of 8.3. The equipment is not operated during the tests.*

9 Protection against the spread of fire

This clause of Part 1 is applicable.

10 Equipment temperature limits and resistance to heat

This clause of Part 1 is applicable.

11 Protection against HAZARDS from fluids and solid foreign objects

This clause of Part 1 is applicable except as follows:

Addition:

Add the following new subclause:

11.101 Connections for hoses and pipes

Connectors shall be so designed that hoses can be prevented from detaching, for example by means of hose clamps, and that pipes are adequately restrained.

Conformity is checked by inspection.

12 Protection against radiation, including laser sources, and against sonic and ultrasonic pressure

This clause of Part 1 is applicable.

13 Protection against liberated gases and substances, explosion and implosion

This clause of Part 1 is applicable except as follows:

Addition:

Add the following new subclause:

13.2.101 Protection against explosion and explosives

Equipment designed for protection against explosion or to be used with explosives shall, according to the type, the mode of operation and the location, comply with the appropriate requirements of relevant IEC and ISO standards such as the IEC 60079 series on explosive atmospheres ~~standards~~.

Conformity is checked as specified in the relevant standards.

14 Components and subassemblies

This clause of Part 1 is applicable.

15 Protection by interlocks

This clause of Part 1 is applicable except as follows:

15.1 General

Addition:

Add, after the first paragraph, the following new paragraph:

As an alternative method, for interlock systems containing electric/electronic or programmable components (E/E/P components) the reliability and design requirements can be determined by applying for example IEC 62061 (SIL) or ISO 13849 (all parts) (PL) or other solutions providing equivalent functional safety.

16 HAZARDS resulting from application

This clause of Part 1 is applicable.

17 Risk assessment

This clause of Part 1 is applicable except as follows:

Addition:

Add the following new text at the end of the first sentence:

RISK assessment is required for mixers or stirrers intended to be used with flammable fluids or with containers or flasks with hazardous or toxic fluids.

Annexes

The annexes of Part 1 are applicable.

Bibliography

The Bibliography of Part 1 is applicable, except as follows:

Addition:

Add the following new references:

IEC 61010-2-010, *Safety requirements for electrical equipment for measurement, control, and laboratory use – Part 2-010: Particular requirements for laboratory equipment for the heating of materials*

~~IEC 60079 (all parts), Explosive atmospheres~~

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Replace the text, except the first paragraph, with the following new text:

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This clause of Part 1 is applicable.

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5 Marking and documentation

This clause of Part 1 is applicable except as follows:

5.4.1 General

Addition:

Add, after item h), the following new item:

- aa) if a HAZARD could be caused by operating a mixer or stirrer intended for use as HAND-HELD EQUIPMENT, there shall be a warning statement to that effect.

5.4.4 Equipment operation

Addition:

Add after item j), the following new item:

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Replacement:

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6.8.3.1 The AC voltage test

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This clause of Part 1 is applicable except as follows:

7.3.2 Exceptions

Replacement:

Replace, in item a), the words "for example drilling and mixing equipment" with the following:

for example stirrer shafts and impellers extending downwards into material being stirred

Addition:

Add the following new subclauses:

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If a SINGLE FAULT of an electronic speed control could cause a HAZARD, the equipment shall incorporate means to interrupt power or otherwise prevent the HAZARD.

Conformity is checked by inspection and test.

7.3.102 Movement during operation

Equipment other than HAND-HELD EQUIPMENT shall not change position during NORMAL USE.

Conformity is checked by inspection and test. Equipment which has not moved by more than 5 mm after operation for 10 min is considered to meet the requirement.

7.3.103 Restarting after interruption

Depending on the operation, a HAZARD can be caused either by re-starting or by not re-starting after interruption of the mixing action. Instructions shall specify whether equipment will re-start or not re-start, both in the case of MAINS interruption and in the case of a fault or mechanical interruption. If after interruption a HAZARD can occur the equipment shall be equipped with an audible or visible signal to warn that an interruption has occurred.

Conformity is checked by inspection of documentation.

7.3.104 HAZARDS related to application

Additional HAZARDS can occur with equipment used to mix flammable materials, or where the transfer of mechanical energy to a glass apparatus could lead to breakage.

Instructions for use shall warn against the use of equipment in such applications unless the equipment incorporates appropriate safety devices to prevent a HAZARD in SINGLE FAULT CONDITION. Such safety devices shall be independent from control systems.

Examples of HAZARDS and appropriate safety devices include the following:

- a) Where failure of the mixing action could cause a HAZARD, for example in metal-organic reactions, the safety device shall initiate an alarm signal:
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NOTE Speed reduction can be caused by a lack of power or by the operation of an automatic device which reduces the shaft speed in the case of an overload.

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Conformity is checked by inspection and test.

8 Resistance to mechanical stresses

This clause of Part 1 is applicable except as follows:

8.1 General

Replacement:

Replace the text of item 3) with the following new text:

- 3) *except for FIXED EQUIPMENT, for equipment with a mass over 100 kg, or for equipment whose size and weight make unintentional movement unlikely and which is not moved in NORMAL USE, the appropriate test of 8.3. The equipment is not operated during the tests.*

9 Protection against the spread of fire

This clause of Part 1 is applicable.

10 Equipment temperature limits and resistance to heat

This clause of Part 1 is applicable.

11 Protection against HAZARDS from fluids and solid foreign objects

This clause of Part 1 is applicable except as follows:

Addition:

Add the following new subclause:

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Connectors shall be so designed that hoses can be prevented from detaching, for example by means of hose clamps, and that pipes are adequately restrained.

Conformity is checked by inspection.

12 Protection against radiation, including laser sources, and against sonic and ultrasonic pressure

This clause of Part 1 is applicable.

13 Protection against liberated gases and substances, explosion and implosion

This clause of Part 1 is applicable except as follows:

Addition:

Add the following new subclause:

13.2.101 Protection against explosion and explosives

Equipment designed for protection against explosion or to be used with explosives shall, according to the type, the mode of operation and the location, comply with the appropriate requirements of relevant IEC and ISO standards such as the IEC 60079 series on explosive atmospheres.

Conformity is checked as specified in the relevant standards.

14 Components and subassemblies

This clause of Part 1 is applicable.

15 Protection by interlocks

This clause of Part 1 is applicable except as follows:

15.1 General

Addition:

Add, after the first paragraph, the following new paragraph:

As an alternative method, for interlock systems containing electric/electronic or programmable components (E/E/P components) the reliability and design requirements can be determined by applying for example IEC 62061 (SIL) or ISO 13849 (all parts) (PL) or other solutions providing equivalent functional safety.

16 HAZARDS resulting from application

This clause of Part 1 is applicable.

17 Risk assessment

This clause of Part 1 is applicable except as follows:

Addition:

Add the following new text at the end of the first sentence:

RISK assessment is required for mixers or stirrers intended to be used with flammable fluids or with containers or flasks with hazardous or toxic fluids.

Annexes

The annexes of Part 1 are applicable.

Bibliography

The Bibliography of Part 1 is applicable, except as follows:

Addition:

Add the following new references:

IEC 61010-2-010, *Safety requirements for electrical equipment for measurement, control, and laboratory use – Part 2-010: Particular requirements for laboratory equipment for the heating of materials*

IEC 62061, *Safety of machinery – Functional safety of safety-related electrical, electronic and programmable electronic control systems*

ISO 13849 (all parts), *Safety of machinery – Safety-related parts of control systems*

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