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— it is no longer a requirement to have only male-type *suction catheter connector* on the *suction catheter*;

— the female-type suction catheter connector has been reinstated following removal in the fourth edition of this document;

— the terms and definitions have been revised;

— the conditions for the measurement of *residual vacuum* in *closed suction catheters* have been revised.

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Introduction

This document is concerned with the basic requirements and method of size designation of both *open* and *closed suction catheters* made of flexible materials.

The method of describing tube dimensions and configuration has been devised in order to assist clinicians in the selection of the most suitable *suction catheter* for a particular patient. The size designation is important when selecting a catheter because of its relationship to the ease with which the catheter can be passed through a *tracheal or tracheostomy tube*[2][3].

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Suction catheters for use in the respiratory tract

1 Scope

This document specifies dimensions and requirements for both *open* and *closed suction catheters* made of flexible materials and intended for use in suctioning of the respiratory tract.

Suction catheters intended for use with flammable anaesthetic gases or agents, lasers or electrosurgical equipment are not covered by this document.

NOTE For guidance on airway management during laser surgery of the upper airway, see ISO/TR 11991[4].

2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

ISO 5356-1, *Anaesthetic and respiratory equipment — Conical connectors — Part 1: Cones and sockets*

ISO 5367:2014, *Anaesthetic and respiratory equipment — Breathing sets and connectors*

ISO 18190:2016, *Anaesthetic and respiratory equipment — General requirements for airways and related equipment*

ISO 18562-1, *Biocompatibility evaluation of breathing gas pathways in healthcare applications — Part 1: Evaluation and testing within a risk management process*

ISO 80369-7, *Small-bore connectors for liquids and gases in healthcare applications — Part 7: Connectors for intravascular or hypodermic applications*

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3.1
***closed suction catheter**
suction catheter (3.17) enclosed within a *protective sleeve* (3.8) that allows its use within the airway without opening the *breathing system* directly to atmosphere

3.2
***closed suction catheter manifold**
part of the *closed suction catheter* (3.1) that provides a connection to an airway device

3.3
connector
fitting to join together two or more components

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