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**HOUSEHOLD AND SIMILAR ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES –
SAFETY –****Part 2-25: Particular requirements for microwave ovens,
including combination microwave ovens**

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This seventh edition cancels and replaces the sixth edition published in 2010, Amendment 1:2014 and Amendment 2:2015. This edition constitutes a technical revision.

This edition includes the following significant changes with respect to the sixth edition:

- 11.7 and 19.13 are improved in clarity;
- in 19.102, a note is converted into normative text;
- 19.101 is improved with an alternative measurement method;
- 22.121 is improved with requirements for simultaneous activation of heating elements and motors;
- 15.2, 15.101, 21, 22.102, 22.112, 22.119, 22.120, 24.101 and 27.1 are improved in clarity;

– Annex A has editorial improvements and feasible limits of deviations.

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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 fifth edition (2010) 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: Particular requirements for microwave ovens, including combination microwave ovens.

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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The following differences exist in the countries indicated below.

- 5.3: Microwave leakage is not to exceed 10 W/m² during the initial test (Japan and USA).
- 6.1: **Microwave ovens** may be **class 0I** if the **rated voltage** does not exceed more than 150 V (Japan).
- 7.12: Specific instructions exist pertaining to using and servicing **microwave ovens** with respect to the risk of exposure to microwave energy (USA).
- 7.12: It is prohibited to place the appliance in a cabinet with a door (Japan).
- Clause 18: The test is carried out on two appliances (USA).
- 19.11.2: The input voltage variation is not applied (USA).
- 19.13: Microwave leakage is measured only at the end of each test (USA).
- 21.102: The applied force is 222 N (USA).
- 21.105: Microwave leakage is not to exceed 50 W/m² (Japan and USA).
- 22.111: Microwave leakage is measured only at the end of the test (USA).
- 22.112: Microwave leakage is not to exceed 50 W/m² (Japan and USA).
- 22.115: All access to the **cavity** has to be prevented (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.

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 which 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.

 With this European Amendment A11, the standard EN 60335-2-25:2012+A1:2015+A2:2016 is superseded.

This European Amendment A11 supplements or modifies the corresponding clauses of the standards below:

- EN 60335-1:2012+A11:2014+A13:2017+A1:2019+A14:2019+A2:2019 (Part 1)
- EN IEC 60335-2-25:2021 (Part 2) 

HOUSEHOLD AND SIMILAR ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES – SAFETY –

Part 2-25: Particular requirements for microwave ovens, including combination microwave ovens

1 Scope

This clause of Part 1 is replaced by the following.

This part of IEC 60335 deals with the safety of **microwave ovens** for household and similar use, their **rated voltage** being not more than 250 V.

This standard also deals with **combination microwave ovens**, for which Annex AA is applicable.

This standard also deals with **microwave ovens** intended to be used on board ships, for which Annex BB is applicable.

A11 As far as is practicable, this standard deals with the common hazards presented by appliances that are encountered by all persons in household and similar environments.

However, in general, it does not take into account:

- **children** playing with the appliance;
- the **use of the appliance** by **very young children**;
- the **use of the appliance** by **young children** without supervision.

It is recognized that **very vulnerable people** may have needs beyond the level addressed in this European Standard.

NOTE Z101 Examples of appliance for household environment are appliances for typical housekeeping functions used in the household environment that may also be used by non-expert users for typical housekeeping functions:

- in shops and other similar working environments;
- in farm houses;
- by clients in hotels, motels and other residential type environments;
- in bed and breakfast type environments.

NOTE Z102 Household environments include the dwelling and its associated buildings, the garden, etc. **A11**

NOTE 101 Attention is drawn to the fact that

- for appliances intended to be used in vehicles or on board ships or aircraft, additional requirements can be necessary;
- in many countries, additional requirements are specified by the national health authorities, the national authorities responsible for the protection of labour and similar authorities.

NOTE 102 This standard does not apply to

- commercial **microwave ovens** (IEC 60335-2-90);
- industrial microwave heating equipment (IEC 60519-6);
- appliances for medical purposes (IEC 60601);
- 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).