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## European foreword

This document (EN ISO 13408-2:2018) has been prepared by Technical Committee ISO/TC 198 "Sterilization of health care products" in collaboration with Technical Committee CEN/TC 204 "Sterilization of medical devices" the secretariat of which is held by BSI.

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ISO 13408-5	EN ISO 13408-5:2011	ISO 13408-5:2006
ISO 11135	EN ISO 11135:2014	ISO 11135:2014
ISO 11137-1	EN ISO 11137-1:2015	ISO 11137-1:2006 + Amd 1:2013
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ISO 17665-1	EN ISO 17665-1:2006	ISO 17665-1:2006

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## Annex ZA (informative)

### Relationship between this European Standard and the Essential Requirements of EU Directive 90/385/EEC on active implantable medical devices [OJ L 189] aimed to be covered

This European standard has been prepared under a Commission's standardisation request M/023 to provide one voluntary means of conforming to essential requirements of Council Directive 90/385/EEC of 20 June 1990 on the approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to active implantable medical devices [OJ L 189].

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**NOTE 1** Where a reference from a clause of this standard to the risk management process is made, the risk management process needs to be in compliance with 90/385/EEC, as amended by 2007/47/EC. This means that risks have to be reduced 'as far as possible', 'to a minimum', 'to the lowest possible level', 'minimized' or 'removed', according to the wording of the corresponding essential requirement.

**NOTE 2** The manufacturer's policy for determining **acceptable risk** must be in compliance with essential requirements 1, 4, 5, 8, 9 and 10 of the Directive.

**NOTE 3** This Annex ZA is based on normative references according to the table of references in the European foreword, replacing the references in the core text.

**NOTE 4** When an Essential Requirement does not appear in Table ZA.1, it means that it is not addressed by this European Standard.

**Table ZA.1 — Correspondence between this European Standard and Annex I of Directive 90/385/EEC [OJ L 189]**

Essential Requirements (ERs) of Directive 90/385/EEC	Clauses of this EN	Qualifying remarks/Notes
7	4,5,6,7,8,9,10,11,12	Only a sterilization process using filtration as part of an aseptic process is considered by this standard and only in conjunction with EN ISO 13408-1. This relevant Essential Requirement is only partly addressed in this European Standard. Design and packaging for maintenance of sterility during transportation and storage are not covered. Aspects of manufacture other than those related to sterilization by filtration are not covered.

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## Annex ZB (informative)

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**NOTE 1** Where a reference from a clause of this standard to the risk management process is made, the risk management process needs to be in compliance with 93/42/EEC, as amended by 2007/47/EC. This means that risks have to be reduced 'as far as possible', 'to a minimum', 'to the lowest possible level', 'minimized' or 'removed', according to the wording of the corresponding essential requirement.

**NOTE 2** The manufacturer's policy for determining **acceptable risk** must be in compliance with essential requirements 1, 2, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11 and 12 of the Directive.

**NOTE 3** This Annex ZB is based on normative references according to the table of references in the European foreword, replacing the references in the core text.

**NOTE 4** When an Essential Requirement does not appear in Table ZB.1, it means that it is not addressed by this European Standard.

**Table ZB.1 — Correspondence between this European Standard and Annex I of Directive 93/42/EEC [OJ L 169]**

Essential Requirements (ERs) of Directive 93/42/EEC	Clauses of this EN	Qualifying remarks/Notes
8.3	4,5,6,7,8,9,10,11,12	<p>Only a sterilization process using filtration as part of an aseptic process is considered by this standard and only in conjunction with EN ISO 13408-1.</p> <p>This relevant Essential Requirement is only partly addressed in this European Standard. Design and packaging for maintenance of sterility during transportation and storage are not covered. Aspects of manufacture other than those related to sterilization by filtration are not covered.</p>

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## Annex ZC (informative)

### Relationship between this European Standard and the Essential Requirements of EU Directive 98/79/EC on *in vitro* diagnostic medical devices [OJ L 331] aimed to be covered

This European standard has been prepared under a Commission's standardisation request, M/252, concerning the development of European standards relating to *in vitro* diagnostic medical devices, to provide one voluntary means of conforming to essential requirements of Directive 98/79/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 October 1998 on *in vitro* diagnostic medical devices [OJ L 331].

Once this standard is cited in the Official Journal of the European Union under that Directive, compliance with the normative clauses of this standard given in Table ZC.1 confers, within the limits of the scope of this standard, a presumption of conformity with the corresponding Essential Requirements of that Directive and associated EFTA regulations.

NOTE 1 Where a reference from a clause of this standard to the risk management process is made, the risk management process needs to be in compliance with 98/79/EC. This means that risks have to be reduced 'as far as possible', 'to a minimum', 'to the lowest possible level', 'minimized' or 'removed', according to the wording of the corresponding essential requirement.

NOTE 2 The manufacturer's policy for determining **acceptable risk** must be in compliance with essential requirements Part A: 1, 2 and 5; Part B: 1.2, 2, 3, 5, 6, and 7 of the Directive.

NOTE 3 This Annex ZC is based on normative references according to the table of references in the European foreword, replacing the references in the core text.

NOTE 4 When an Essential Requirement does not appear in Table ZC.1, it means that it is not addressed by this European Standard.

**Table ZC.1 — Correspondence between this European Standard and Annex I of Directive 98/79/EC [OJ L 331]**

Essential Requirements (ERs) of Directive 98/79/EC	Clauses of this EN	Qualifying remarks/Notes
B.2.3	4,5,6,7,8,9,10,11,12	<p>Only a sterilization process using filtration as part of an aseptic process is considered by this standard and only in conjunction with EN ISO 13408-1.</p> <p>This relevant Essential Requirement is only partly addressed in this European Standard. Design and packaging for maintenance of sterility during transportation and storage are not covered. Aspects of manufacture other than those related to sterilization by filtration are not covered.</p>

WARNING 1 — Presumption of conformity stays valid only as long as a reference to this European Standard is maintained in the list published in the Official Journal of the European Union. Users of this standard should consult frequently the latest list published in the Official Journal of the European Union.

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## Foreword

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The procedures used to develop this document and those intended for its further maintenance are described in the ISO/IEC Directives, Part 1. In particular the different approval criteria needed for the different types of ISO documents should be noted. This document was drafted in accordance with the editorial rules of the ISO/IEC Directives, Part 2 (see [www.iso.org/directives](http://www.iso.org/directives)).

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This document was prepared by Technical Committee ISO/TC 198, *Sterilization of health care products*.

This second edition cancels and replaces the first edition (ISO 13408-2:2003), which has been technically revised.

A list of all parts in the ISO 13408 series can be found on the ISO website.

## ISO 13408-2:2018(E)

### Introduction

ISO 13408-1 covers general aspects of aseptic processing. Several processes including sterilizing filtration, lyophilization, clean and sterilization in place, isolator systems, and alternative processes for medical devices and combination products were found to be in need of supplementary information, which was too extensive to be included in the corresponding annexes to ISO 13408-1. This information is presented in ISO 13408-2 to ISO 13408-7.

Sterilizing filtration is a critical step in an aseptic manufacturing process. Validation of sterilizing filtration processes can be complex and is generally conducted in both a process and product specific manner. This document describes requirements that, if met, will provide a sterilizing filtration process that consistently removes microorganisms from a fluid (liquid or gas) without negatively affecting the quality of the filtrate. Furthermore, conformity with the requirements ensures that a sterilizing filtration process is both reliable and reproducible so that a determination can be made, with reasonable confidence, that the sterilizing grade filter/s will provide a sterile filtrate under specified operational conditions. This (the reliability and reproducibility of the filtration process) is essential, as unlike a micro-biocidal sterilization process where process variables can be monitored continuously, microbial retention and physical integrity of a sterilising grade filter cannot be monitored on a continuous basis throughout a filtration process.

Where validation establishes a reproducible relationship between the product-specific bacterial retention capability of a sterilizing grade filter and the physical integrity of that filter, then suitable non-destructive pre-use and post-use filter integrity tests are used to determine whether a full-scale sterilizing filtration process has been conducted successfully. During terminal sterilization the kinetics of inactivation follows a mathematical order and allow calculation of a sterility assurance level (SAL). Removal of organisms from a fluid by filtration does not follow such mathematical order and so the use of the term “sterility assurance level” is not appropriate for product sterilized by filtration.

There has been a significant increase in the development and availability of biopharmaceuticals, biologic-based medical devices and cell-based health care products since publication of the initial 2003 edition of this document. This second edition emphasizes the importance of a thorough understanding of the nature of the indigenous bioburden of a fluid that is to be sterilized by filtration, including its relationship to the test microorganism used to determine microbial retention capability of the sterilizing grade filter. For example, Mycoplasma can cause serious contamination problems during the manufacturing of biopharmaceutical, biotechnological and cell-based health care products. A thorough understanding of the indigenous bioburden enables suitable safeguards to be implemented during development, validation and control of a sterilizing filtration process to ensure the safety and quality of the filtered fluid.

While the activities required by this document have been grouped together and are presented in a particular order, this document does not require that the activities be performed in the order that they are presented. The activities required are not necessarily sequential, as the programme of development and validation may be iterative. It is possible that performing these different activities will involve a number of separate individuals and/or organizations, each of whom undertake one or more of these activities. This document does not specify the particular individuals or organizations to carry out the activities.

Guidance on the application of this document is given in [Annex A](#).

# Aseptic processing of health care products —

## Part 2: Sterilizing filtration

### 1 Scope

This document specifies requirements for sterilizing filtration as part of aseptic processing of health care products conducted in accordance with ISO 13408-1. It also offers guidance to filter users concerning general requirements for set-up, validation and routine operation of a sterilizing filtration process.

This document is not applicable to removal of viruses.

Sterilizing filtration is not applicable to fluids that intentionally contain particles larger than the pore size of the filter (e.g. bacterial whole-cell vaccines).

This document is not applicable to high efficiency particulate air (HEPA) filters.

This document does not specify requirements for the development, validation and routine control of a process for removing the causative agents of spongiform encephalopathies such as scrapie, bovine spongiform encephalopathy and Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease. Specific recommendations have been produced in particular countries for the processing of materials potentially contaminated with these agents.

### 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 11135, *Sterilization of health-care products — Ethylene oxide — Requirements for the development, validation and routine control of a sterilization process for medical devices*

ISO 11137-1, *Sterilization of health care products — Radiation — Part 1: Requirements for development, validation and routine control of a sterilization process for medical devices*

ISO 11139,<sup>1)</sup> *Sterilization of health care products — Vocabulary — Terms used in sterilization and related equipment and process standards*

ISO 13408-1:2008, *Aseptic processing of health care products — Part 1: General requirements*

ISO 13408-1:2008/Amd. 1:2013, *Aseptic processing of health care products — Part 1: General requirements — Amendment 1*

ISO 13408-5, *Aseptic processing of health care products — Part 5: Sterilization in place*

ISO 13485, *Medical devices — Quality management systems — Requirements for regulatory purposes*

ISO 17665-1, *Sterilization of health care products — Moist heat — Part 1: Requirements for the development, validation and routine control of a sterilization process for medical devices*

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