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European foreword

This document (EN ISO 15223-1:2016) has been prepared by Technical Committee ISO/TC 210 “Quality management and corresponding general aspects for medical devices” in collaboration with Technical Committee CEN/CLC/TC 3 “Quality management and corresponding general aspects for medical devices” the secretariat of which is held by NEN.

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NOTE The way in which these referenced documents are cited in normative requirements determines the extent (in whole or in part) to which they apply.

Table 1 — Correlations between normative references and dated EN and ISO standards

Normative references as listed in Clause 2 of the ISO standard	Equivalent dated standard	
	EN	ISO
ISO 7000	—	ISO 7000:2014 ^a
ISO 8601	—	ISO 8601:2004
ISO 14971	EN ISO 14971:2012	ISO 14971:2007
ISO 15223-2	—	ISO 15223-2:2010

^a Available only in database format from ISO or IEC.

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Annex ZA (informative)

Relationship between this European Standard and the Essential Requirements of EU Directive 93/42/EEC [OJ L 169] on Medical Devices

This European Standard has been prepared under a Commission's standardization request 'M/023 concerning the development of European standards related to medical devices' to provide one voluntary means of conforming to essential requirements of Council Directive 93/42/EEC of 14 June 1993 concerning medical devices [OJ L 169].

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 ZA.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 Directive 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 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 93/42/EEC [OJ L 169]

Essential Requirements (ERs) of Directive 93/42/EEC	Clause(s)/subclause(s) of this European Standard	Qualifying remarks/Notes
8.7	5.2.7	Provided that the symbol is provided according to the general requirements indicated in the ER 13.1 of Directive 93/42/EEC and only for non-sterile products.
13.2	4.2, 4.3	Only the first sentence of this ERs is covered, provided that the symbol is provided on the label and according to the general requirements indicated in the ER 13.1 of Directive 93/42/EEC.