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Foreword

This translation has been made based on the original Japanese Industrial Standard established by the Minister of Health, Labour and Welfare through deliberations at the Japanese Industrial Standards Committee according to the proposal of establishing a Japanese Industrial Standard from Japan Association of Medical Equipment Industries (JAMEI)/Japanese Standards Association (JSA), with a draft being attached, based on the provision of Article 12 Clause 1 of the Industrial Standardization Law.

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1 Scope

This Japanese Industrial Standard specifies the basic requirement for a washer sterilizer that washes and sterilizes a used medical device (matters to be sterilized) polluted by organic matters, such as blood and necrotic cells, using the saturated vapour (that is directly available from the water in the chamber, or that is generated by a built-in steam generator, or that is available from an external steam source) in order to safely implement washing and post-processing of sterilization of a medical device for re-use. The washing methods include a hot-water immersion method, an ultrasonic irradiation method, a jet stream spray method, etc.

In addition, some sterilizers only sterilize a medical device (matters to be sterilized), using the saturated vapour, for the purpose of the secondary sterilization for re-use without washing a medical device.

A washer sterilizer covered in this Standard shall have a vessel ²⁾ corresponding to the national pressure vessel structure standard ¹⁾. However, this Standard excludes a washer sterilizer for biohazard and other types of sterilizers.

- Notes ¹⁾ It refers to the Safety Standard related to Construction Code for First Class Pressure Vessels specified by Industrial Safety and Health Law.
 - ²⁾ It refers to First Class Pressure Vessel specified by Industrial Safety and Health Law, Enforcement Order, Article 1, Item 5.

2 Normative references

The following standards contain provisions which, through reference in this text, constitute provisions of this Standard. The most recent editions of the standards (including amendments) indicated below shall be applied.

- JIS B 7505 Bourdon tube pressure gauges
- JIS C 1010-1 Safety requirements for electrical equipment for measurement, control, and laboratory use—Part 1: General requirements
- JIS C 1806-1 Electrical equipment for measurement, control and laboratory use— EMC requirements
- JIS Z 8737-2 Acoustics—Noise emitted by machinery and equipment—Measurement of emission sound pressure levels at a work station and at other specified positions—Survey method in situ
- ISO 11138-1 Sterilization of health care products—Biological indicators—Part 1: General requirements
- ISO 11138-3 Sterilization of health care products—Biological indicators—Part 3:
 Biological indicators for moist heat sterilization processes