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Anaesthetic and respiratory equipment — Passive humidifiers

National foreword

This British Standard is the UK implementation of EN ISO 20789:2019. It is identical to ISO 20789:2018. It supersedes BS ISO 20789:2018, which is withdrawn.

The UK participation in its preparation was entrusted to Technical Committee CH/121, Anaesthetic and respiratory equipment.

A list of organizations represented on this committee can be obtained on request to its secretary.

BSI, as a member of CEN, is obliged to publish EN ISO 20789:2019 as a British Standard. However, attention is drawn to the fact that during the development of this European Standard, the UK committee voted against its approval.

The UK committee submitted a negative vote as it is the opinion of the UK committee that passive humidifiers do not provide any clinically significant humidification to patients. This has been exacerbated in this latest version as the minimum performance requirement has been replaced by a manufacturer's declaration.

This publication does not purport to include all the necessary provisions of a contract. Users are responsible for its correct application.

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