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## NOTES

## PREFACE

This standard was prepared by the Joint Standards Australia/Standards New Zealand Committee EL-002, *Safety of household and similar electrical appliances and small power transformers* to supersede AS/NZS 60335.2.90:2017, three years from the date of publication of this standard. During this period AS/NZS 60335.2.90:2017 and its amendments will also remain current. Regulatory authorities that reference this standard in regulation may apply these requirements at a different time. Users of this standard should consult with these authorities to confirm their requirements.

The objective of this standard is to provide manufacturers, designers, regulatory authorities, testing laboratories, and similar organisations with safety requirements designed to give the user protection against hazards that might occur during normal operation and abnormal operation of the appliance and which may be used as the basis for approval for sale or for connection to the electricity supply mains in Australia and New Zealand.

The text of IEC 60335-2-90 Ed. 5.0, prepared by IEC Technical Subcommittee SC 61B, was submitted to the Standards Australia/Standards New Zealand Combined Procedure (dual public comment and committee vote) for adoption of the IEC standard as a Standards Australia/Standards New Zealand joint standard.

The principal changes in this edition as compared with the 2017 edition of AS/NZS 60335.2.90 are as follows (minor changes are not listed):

- (a) Alignment with AS/NZS 60335.1:2022;
- (b) Use of the appliance in areas open to the public has been introduced in clause 1 and subclauses 3.8.107, 7.12, 8.1.1, 11.8, 20.2, 22.103.2, 22.105, and 22.117;
- (c) Subclauses 5.5, 7.12.1, 11.2, 11.7, 20.1, and 20.101 have been modified to add requirements for stacking installation;
- (d) Subclause 7.1 adds requirements for appliance outlets and socket outlets;
- (e) Subclause 7.12 has been improved in clarity;
- (f) Maximum temperature rises of external accessible surfaces have been added in subclause 11.8;
- (g) Test criterion has been modified in subclause 15.101;
- (h) Subclause 16.101 has been modified to move the content of 16.101.1 and 16.101.2 directly under 16.101.
- (i) Subclauses 19.11.2 and 19.13, clause 21, subclauses 22.105 and 22.111, and Annex AA have been improved in clarity;
- (j) Annexes BB and EE have been modified to add screw requirements.

This standard is an adoption with national modifications of the fifth edition of IEC 60335-2-90, *Household and similar electrical appliances – Safety – Part 2-90: Particular requirements for commercial microwave ovens*. It has been varied as indicated to take account of Australian and New Zealand conditions.

This Part 2 has to be used in conjunction with the latest edition of AS/NZS 60335.1, *Household and similar electrical appliances – Safety – Part 1: General requirements* and its amendments, unless that edition precludes it; in that case, the latest edition that does not preclude it is used. It was established on the basis of AS/NZS 60335.1:2022.

This Part 2 supplements or modifies the corresponding clauses of AS/NZS 60335.1 so as to convert it into the Australian/New Zealand Standard: Safety requirements for commercial microwave ovens.

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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 of Part 1 is to be adapted accordingly.

NOTE 1 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, and so on;
- subclauses, notes and annexes that are additional to those in the IEC standard are prefixed with the letters AZ.

NOTE 2 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 associated noun are also in bold.

p NOTE 3 In this document, p is used in the margin to indicate instructions for preparing a consolidated version.

The essential safety requirements in AS/NZS 3820<sup>1</sup> that could be applicable to requirements for commercial microwave ovens are covered by this standard.

The national variations to IEC 60335-2-90 Ed. 5.0 form the Australian and New Zealand national variations for purposes of the IECEE scheme for recognition of results of testing to standards for safety of electrical equipment (the CB scheme).

The text of the international standard IEC 60335-2-90 Ed. 5.0 was approved as a joint Australian/New Zealand standard, noting the effect of national variations in AS/NZS 60335.1:2022.

## **AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL VARIATIONS**

There are no national variations to this Part 2 other than those listed in the national variations in AS/NZS 60335.1:2022.

## **NEW ZEALAND NATIONAL VARIATIONS**

There are no national variations to this Part 2 other than those listed in the national variations in AS/NZS 60335.1:2022.

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<sup>1</sup> AS/NZS 3820, *Essential safety requirements for electrical equipment*.

## ANNEX ANZ

(Normative)

### Normative references to international publications with their corresponding joint Australia/New Zealand publications

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application 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.

NOTE When an international publication has been modified by national variations, the relevant joint Australia/New Zealand publication applies if the national variations are needed to ensure the safety of the appliance for Australia/New Zealand conditions. These international publications are indicated by (MOD). If an international publication is not so indicated, then either it or the listed Australia/New Zealand publication may be used. Where there is no equivalent international publication to a listed Australian/New Zealand publication, then the Australian/New Zealand publication applies.

Publication	Year	Title	AS/NZS	Year
IEC 60068-2-6		<i>Environmental testing – Part 2: Tests – Test Fc: Vibration (sinusoidal)</i>		
IEC 60068-2-27		<i>Environmental testing – Part 2-27: Tests – Test Ea and guidance: Shock</i>		
IEC 60068-2-52		<i>Environmental testing – Part 2-52: Tests – Test Kb: Salt mist, cyclic (sodium chloride solution)</i>		
IEC 60335-2-36		<i>Household and similar electrical appliances – Safety – Part 2-36: Particular requirements for commercial electric cooking ranges, ovens, hobs and hob elements</i>		
IEC 60335-2-42		<i>Household and similar electrical appliances – Safety – Part 2-42: Particular requirements for commercial electric forced convection ovens, steam cookers and steam convection ovens</i>		
IEC 60335-2-49		<i>Household and similar electrical appliances – Safety – Part 2-49: Particular requirements for commercial electric appliances for keeping food and crockery warm</i>		
IEC 60335-2-75		<i>Household and similar electrical appliances – Safety – Part 2-75: Particular requirements for commercial dispensing appliances and vending machines</i>		
IEC 60436	2015	<i>Electric dishwashers for household use – Methods for measuring the performance</i>		
IEC 60436/AMD1	2020			
IEC 60584-1		<i>Thermocouples – Part 1: EMF specifications and tolerances</i>		

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ISO 898-1	<i>Mechanical properties of fasteners made of carbon steel and alloy steel – Part 1: Bolts, screws and studs with specified property classes – Coarse thread and fine pitch thread</i>
ISO 3506-1	<i>Fasteners – Mechanical properties of corrosion-resistant stainless steel fasteners – Part 1: Bolts, screws and studs with specified grades and property classes</i>
ISO 3506-2	<i>Fasteners – Mechanical properties of corrosion-resistant stainless steel fasteners – Part 2: Nuts with specified grades and property classes</i>
ISO 3506-3	<i>Mechanical properties of corrosion-resistant stainless steel fasteners – Part 3: Set screws and similar fasteners not under tensile stress</i>
ISO 3506-4	<i>Mechanical properties of corrosion-resistant stainless steel fasteners – Part 4: Tapping screws</i>

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IEC 60335-2-90 has been prepared by subcommittee 61B: Safety of microwave appliances for household and commercial use, of IEC technical committee 61: Safety of household and similar electrical appliances. It is an International Standard.

This fifth edition cancels and replaces the fourth edition published in 2015 including its Amendment 1:2019. This edition constitutes a technical revision.

This edition includes the following significant technical changes with respect to the previous edition:

- a) the appliance used in area open to the public has been introduced in Clause 1, 3.8.107, 7.12, 8.1.1, 11.8, 20.2, 22.103.2, 22.105 and 22.117;
- b) Subclauses 5.5, 7.12.1, 11.2, 11.7, 20.1 and 20.101 have been modified to add for stacking installation;

- c) Subclauses 7.1, 11.7 and 22.61 have been modified for the appliance outlets and socket-outlets;
- d) Subclause 7.12 has been improved in clarity;
- e) maximum temperature rises of external accessible surfaces have been added in Subclause 11.8;
- f) test criterion has been modified in Subclause 15.101;
- g) Subclause 16.101 has been modified to move the content of 16.101.1, 16.101.2 directly under 16.101.
- h) Subclauses 19.11.2, 19.13, Clause 21, Subclauses 22.105, 22.111 and Annex AA have been improved in clarity;
- i) Annex BB and Annex EE have been modified to add screw requirements.

The text of this International Standard is based on the following documents:

Draft	Report on voting
61B/702/FDIS	61B/706/RVD

Full information on the voting for its approval can be found in the report on voting indicated in the above table.

The language used for the development of this International Standard is English.

This document was drafted in accordance with ISO/IEC Directives, Part 2, and developed in accordance with ISO/IEC Directives, Part 1 and ISO/IEC Directives, IEC Supplement, available at [www.iec.ch/members\\_experts/refdocs](http://www.iec.ch/members_experts/refdocs). The main document types developed by IEC are described in greater detail at [www.iec.ch/standardsdev/publications](http://www.iec.ch/standardsdev/publications).

A list of all parts of the IEC 60335 series, under the general title: *Household and similar electrical appliances – Safety*, can be found on the IEC website.

This part 2 is to be used in conjunction with the latest edition of IEC 60335-1 and its amendments unless that edition precludes it; in that case, the latest edition that does not preclude it is used. It was established on the basis of the sixth edition (2020) 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 commercial microwave ovens.

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The committee has decided that the contents of this document will remain unchanged until the stability date indicated on the IEC website under [webstore.iec.ch](http://webstore.iec.ch) in the data related to the specific document. At this date, the document will be

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NOTE 4 The attention of National Committees is drawn to the fact that equipment manufacturers and testing organizations can need a transitional period following publication of a new, amended or revised IEC publication in which to make products in accordance with the new requirements and to equip themselves for conducting new or revised tests.

It is the recommendation of the committee that the content of this publication be adopted for implementation nationally not earlier than 12 months or later than 36 months from the date of publication.

The following differences exist in the countries indicated below.

- 5.3: Microwave leakage is not to exceed 10 W/m<sup>2</sup> during the initial test (Japan, USA and Canada).
- 6.1: Microwave ovens may be class 0I if the rated voltage does not exceed more than 150 V (Japan).
- 7.12: Some warnings have to be marked on the appliance and be visible to the user (Canada).
- 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 only measured 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/m<sup>2</sup> (Japan and USA).
- 22.111: Microwave leakage is only measured at the end of the test (USA).
- 22.112: Microwave leakage is not to exceed 50 W/m<sup>2</sup> (Japan and USA).
- 22.116: All access to the cavity has to be prevented (USA).
- 27.2: A terminal for an external equipotential conductor is not required (Japan).

## 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.

Guidance documents concerning the application of the safety requirements for appliances can be accessed via TC 61 and SC 61B supporting documents on the IEC website

<https://www.iec.ch/tc61/supportingdocuments>  
<https://www.iec.ch/sc61b/supportingdocuments>

This information is given for the convenience of users of this International Standard and does not constitute a replacement for the normative text in this standard.

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 can 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 publications, basic safety publications and group safety publications 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.

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 can 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.

NOTE 3 Standards dealing with non-safety aspects of household appliances are:

- IEC standards published by TC 59 concerning methods of measuring performance;
- CISPR 11, CISPR 14-1 and relevant IEC 61000-3 series standards concerning electromagnetic emissions;
- CISPR 14-2 concerning electromagnetic immunity;
- IEC standards published by TC 111 concerning environmental matters.

## HOUSEHOLD AND SIMILAR ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES – SAFETY –

### Part 2-90: Particular requirements for commercial 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** with a **cavity** door intended for commercial use, their **rated voltage** being not more than 250 V for single-phase appliances connected between one phase and neutral and 480 V for other appliances.

These appliances are not intended for household and similar purposes. They are used for commercial processing of food, also in **areas open to the public**, for example in kitchens of restaurants, canteens, hospitals and in commercial enterprises such as bakeries and butcheries;

- the safety of **combination microwave ovens** with a **cavity** door, the requirements of which are contained in normative Annex AA;
- the safety of **microwave ovens** without a **cavity** door and with **transportation means** that are intended for commercial use only, for the heating of food and beverages, the requirements of which are contained in normative Annex BB.

**Microwave ovens** covered by normative Annex BB have **transportation means** for moving the **load** through the **microwave oven**. Requirements for tunnel microwave ovens and several types of microwave vending machines are covered.

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

In normative Annex BB, a **microwave oven** without a **cavity** door and with **transportation means** is described as a **microwave oven**. All clauses of this standard apply to these appliances unless otherwise specified in normative Annex BB.

This part of IEC 60335 also takes into account **ordinary persons** having access to the **removing area** of the vending machine.

The appliance can be built into a vending machine, in which case IEC 60335-2-75 can also be applicable.

Appliances that use non-electrical energy are within the scope of this standard.

As far as is practicable, this standard deals with the common hazards presented by these types of appliances.

This standard does not take into account the use of a **microwave oven** without a **cavity** door and with **transportation means** by **ordinary persons** except in the vicinity of **entrance and exit ports**.

The rationales for particular microwave exposure conditions and measures related to microwave energy being confined by an open structure are given in normative Annex BB.