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In comparison with the previous 2000 edition, the following main changes have been introduced to the 2020 edition:

- a) The term 3.1 "medical gloves for single-use" has been amended by a Note to entry;
- b) The term 3.2 "hole" has been added;
- c) In 5.1 the referee testing has been enhanced to cover the issue on extension of the glove when it is filled with water;
- d) In Clause 6 the first paragraph has been slightly changed to accommodate the EU commission rules for referencing ISO standards which are not available as EN standards;
- e) Due to that there is currently no standardization request by the EU commission for this part of EN 455 the harmonization process to provide presumption of conformity to the Medical Device Regulation (MDR) cannot be applied. However, to provide at least guidance on the relationship between this European Standard and the General Safety and Performance Requirements of Regulation (EU) 2017/745 [OJ L 117] aimed to be covered, an Annex A has been added.

EN 455 consists of the following parts under the general title "Medical gloves for single use":

- Part 1: Requirements and testing for freedom from holes;
- Part 2: Requirements and testing for physical properties;
- Part 3: Requirements and testing for biological evaluation;
- Part 4: Requirements and testing for shelf life determination.

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