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HYPODERMIC NEEDLES FOR SINGLE USE —
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NATIONAL FOREWORD

This Indian Standard which is identical with ISO 6009 : 1992 'Hypodermic needles for single use — Colour coding for identification' issued by the International Organization for Standardization (ISO) was adopted by the Bureau of Indian Standards on the recommendation of the Medical Laboratory Instruments Sectional Committee and approval of the Medical Equipment and Hospital Planning Division Council.

This standard specifies colours code to enable rapid visual identification of the outside diameter of single-use hypodermic needles. The presence of colour coding on a needle or package does not absolve the user of the responsibility to check the marked size of the needle.

The colours used to code needles may be applied in either opaque or transparent form, and the colour code is equally applicable to normal-walled, thin-walled and extra-thin-walled needles. This does not imply that hypodermic needles of all the listed nominal outside diameters are currently manufactured.

This standard establishes a colour code but does not specify that needles are to be colour-coded or to what portion of the needle and/or packaging the colour is to be applied. Such requirements may be given in the relevant product standards such as ISO 7864 : 1993/IS 10654 : 1991 'Sterile hypodermic needles for single use'.

The measurement of the colour zone of an opaque colour, especially of an item of the size and shape of the hub of a needle, is a complex procedure requiring apparatus and expertise that is to be found in relatively few laboratories and test houses. It may therefore be inconvenient, difficult or impossible for a manufacturer or purchaser routinely to assess compliance of a product with colour zone values. Such difficulties are compounded in the case of translucent colours, which are being used increasingly by needle manufacturers to allow air bubbles inside the hub to be seen and eliminated before injection.

As a consequence, the colours in this standard are specified by name, accepting that this inevitably introduces a certain amount of subjectivity in the assessment of compliance. This subjectivity may be minimized by viewing the hubs under controlled lighting conditions [for example, "daylight" (D_{65}) illumination at 1 000 lx to 1 500 lx] and by the use of assessors of medically-demonstrated correct colour vision. Visual comparison of the colour of a product with a reference colour sample is simple and quick, and is therefore a useful routine method of product assessment. Accordingly, reference colour samples have been made available.

The text of ISO Standard has been approved as suitable for publication as an Indian Standard without deviations. Certain conventions are, however, not identical to those used in Indian Standards. Attention is particularly drawn to the following:

- a) Wherever the words 'International Standard' appear referring to this standard, they should be read as 'Indian Standard.'
- b) Comma (,) has been used as a decimal marker while in Indian Standards, the current practice is to use a point(.) as the decimal marker.

Technical corrigendum 1 published in 2008 to the above International Standard has been given at the end of this publication.

In this adopted standard, reference appear to the following International Standard for which Indian Standard also exists. The corresponding Indian Standard, which is to be substituted in its place is listed below along with its degree of equivalence for the edition indicated:

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Indian Standard

HYPODERMIC NEEDLES FOR SINGLE USE — COLOUR CODING FOR IDENTIFICATION

1 Scope

This International Standard establishes a colour code for the identification of single-use hypodermic needles of nominal outside diameters in the range 0,3 mm to 3,4 mm. It applies to normal-walled, thin-walled and extra-thin-walled needles and to opaque and translucent colours.

2 Colour code

The colour shall indicate the nominal outside diameter of the tube of the needle, and shall be as given in table 1.

NOTES

1 Attention is drawn to the sets of reference hubs available as reference colour samples (see annex A).

2 The colour zones of opaque colours, and the nearest colour samples in a number of colour atlases are given for information in annexes B and C respectively.

Table 1 — Colour code

Nominal outside diameter of needle mm	Colour
0,3	yellow
0,33	red
0,36	blue-green
0,4	medium grey
0,45	brown
0,5	orange
0,55	medium purple
0,6	deep blue
0,7	black
0,8	deep green
0,9	yellow
1,1	cream
1,2	pink
1,4	red-violet
1,6	white
1,8	blue-grey
2,1	pale green
2,4	purple
2,7	pale blue
3	green-yellow
3,4	olive brown

Annex A
(informative)

Reference colour samples

The reference colour samples referred to in this International Standard are available by contacting:

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Annex B (informative)

Colour zones for opaque colours

B.1 Conditions of colour measurement

The chromaticity (x , y) and luminance index Y ($\beta = 10^{-2}Y$) are determined with a spectrophotometer by the equidistant wavelengths method ($\Delta\lambda = 10$ nm) under the following conditions:

- a) **Lighting and examination condition:** (O/d), in accordance with CIE Publication No. 15.2, specular brilliant excluded;
- b) **Reference colorimetric observer:** 2°, in accordance with CIE Publication No. 15.2;

c) **Illuminant:** C source in accordance with CIE Publication No. 15.2;

d) **Reference white:** perfect reflecting diffuser, approximated by a barium sulfate plate.

B.2 Colour zones

The colour zones for opaque colours are given in table B.1.

Table B.1 — Colour zones for opaque colours

Nominal outside diameter of needle mm	Colour	Colour zone	
0,3	yellow	$x = 0,448$ $x = 0,507$ $y = 0,468$ $y = 0,492$ $x = 0,488$ $x = 0,468$ $y = 0,511$ $y = 0,456$	$\beta > 0,40$
0,33	red	$x = 0,540$ $x = 0,560$ $y = 0,326$ $y = 0,280$ $x = 0,500$ $x = 0,610$ $y = 0,289$ $y = 0,330$	$0,10 < \beta < 0,20$
0,36	blue-green	$x = 0,203$ $x = 0,267$ $y = 0,300$ $y = 0,347$ $x = 0,246$ $x = 0,234$ $y = 0,306$ $y = 0,370$	$0,30 < \beta < 0,50$
0,4	medium grey	$x = 0,302$ $x = 0,323$ $y = 0,314$ $y = 0,315$ $x = 0,313$ $x = 0,303$ $y = 0,324$ $y = 0,302$	$0,20 < \beta < 0,65$

Nominal outside diameter of needle mm	Colour	Colour zone	
0,45	brown	$x = 0,360$ $y = 0,332$ $x = 0,440$ $y = 0,356$	$x = 0,452$ $y = 0,338$ $x = 0,367$ $y = 0,325$ $0,04 < \beta < 0,15$
0,5	orange	$x = 0,482$ $y = 0,394$ $x = 0,542$ $y = 0,421$	$x = 0,561$ $y = 0,394$ $x = 0,498$ $y = 0,375$ $0,22 < \beta < 0,40$
0,55	medium purple	$x = 0,258$ $y = 0,193$ $x = 0,274$ $y = 0,237$	$x = 0,294$ $y = 0,243$ $x = 0,285$ $y = 0,201$ $0,07 < \beta < 0,20$
0,6	deep blue	$x = 0,151$ $y = 0,178$ $x = 0,197$ $y = 0,218$	$x = 0,203$ $y = 0,182$ $x = 0,164$ $y = 0,132$ $0,05 < \beta < 0,10$
0,7	black	$x = 0,296$ $y = 0,313$ $x = 0,315$ $y = 0,338$	$x = 0,350$ $y = 0,319$ $x = 0,290$ $y = 0,273$ $\beta < 0,05$
0,8	deep green	$x = 0,013$ $y = 0,745$ $x = 0,310$ $y = 0,685$	$x = 0,310$ $y = 0,441$ $x = 0,254$ $y = 0,397$ $0,09 < \beta < 0,20$
0,9	yellow	$x = 0,448$ $y = 0,468$ $x = 0,488$ $y = 0,511$	$x = 0,507$ $y = 0,492$ $x = 0,468$ $y = 0,456$ $\beta > 0,40$

Nominal outside diameter of needle mm	Colour	Colour zone	
1,1	cream	$x = 0,331$ $y = 0,341$ $x = 0,356$ $y = 0,372$	$x = 0,377$ $y = 0,364$ $x = 0,341$ $y = 0,337$ $0,65 < \beta < 0,80$
1,2	pink	$x = 0,328$ $y = 0,308$ $x = 0,332$ $y = 0,321$	$x = 0,407$ $y = 0,338$ $x = 0,373$ $y = 0,282$ $0,40 < \beta < 0,60$
1,4	red-violet	$x = 0,300$ $y = 0,287$ $x = 0,288$ $y = 0,254$	$x = 0,320$ $y = 0,270$ $x = 0,316$ $y = 0,293$ $0,40 < \beta < 0,65$
1,6	white	$x = 0,297$ $y = 0,308$ $x = 0,310$ $y = 0,326$	$x = 0,330$ $y = 0,318$ $x = 0,303$ $y = 0,295$ $\beta > 0,80$
1,8	blue-grey	$x = 0,250$ $y = 0,267$ $x = 0,262$ $y = 0,309$	$x = 0,295$ $y = 0,314$ $x = 0,290$ $y = 0,299$ $0,10 < \beta < 0,20$
2,1	pale green	$x = 0,302$ $y = 0,367$ $x = 0,337$ $y = 0,376$	$x = 0,320$ $y = 0,339$ $x = 0,307$ $y = 0,336$ $0,45 < \beta < 0,65$
2,4	purple	$x = 0,329$ $y = 0,233$ $x = 0,338$ $y = 0,194$	$x = 0,411$ $y = 0,241$ $x = 0,376$ $y = 0,267$ $0,10 < \beta < 0,20$

Nominal outside diameter of needle mm	Colour	Colour zone
2,7	pale blue	$x = 0,197$ $x = 0,291$ $y = 0,197$ $y = 0,306$ $0,20 < \beta < 0,65$ $x = 0,200$ $x = 0,289$ $y = 0,260$ $y = 0,294$
3	green-yellow	$x = 0,350$ $x = 0,380$ $y = 0,525$ $y = 0,450$ $0,30 < \beta < 0,50$ $x = 0,336$ $x = 0,420$ $y = 0,450$ $y = 0,525$
3,4	olive brown	$x = 0,402$ $x = 0,392$ $y = 0,443$ $y = 0,372$ $0,10 < \beta < 0,25$ $x = 0,362$ $x = 0,454$ $y = 0,386$ $y = 0,415$

Annex C
(informative)

Colour samples for opaque colours

The nearest colour samples to the colours given in this International Standard are given in table C.1.

Table C.1 — Colour samples for opaque colours

Nominal outside diameter of needle mm	Colour samples			
	Munsell atlas	Fed. Std. 595a	RAL 840 HR	NF X 08-002
0,3	3,75 Y 8/14	23 655	1 021	1 330
0,33	—	—	—	—
0,36	7,5 BG 5/8	—	—	—
0,4	N7	26 231	7 035	3 630
0,45	10 R 4/4	10 075	8 017	2 020
0,5	3,75 YR 6/12	12 473	2 003	1 130
0,55	2,5 P 4/8	27 144	4 005	2 710
0,6	2,5 PB 3/8	15 090	5 010	1 540
0,7	N 2,0	27 038	9 005	2 603
0,8	2,5 G 4/8	14 090	6 001	2 455
0,9	3,75 Y 8/14	23 655	1 021	1 330
1,1	10 YR 9/2	27 769	1 015	2 225
1,2	2,5 R 7/6	11 630	3 015	2 870
1,6	N 9,5	27 875	9 010	2 665
1,8	5,0 B 4/2	35 189	7 031	3 520
2,1	10 GY 8/2	24 504	6 019	3 470
2,4	—	—	—	—
2,7	2,5 PB 7/8	35 190	5 012	2 590
3	—	—	—	—
3,4	—	—	—	—

Annex D (informative)

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- [1] ISO 7864:1988, *Sterile hypodermic needles for single use.*
- [2] ISO 9626:1991, *Stainless steel needle tubing for the manufacture of medical devices.*
- [3] CIE Publication No. 15.2:1986, *Colorimetry.*¹⁾
- [4] Munsell Book of Color.²⁾
- [5] USA Federal Standard 595a, *Colors-Vol.1.*³⁾
- [6] German Standard RAL 840, *HR Farbbregister (Colour register).*⁴⁾
- [7] French Standard NFX 08-002, *Collection réduite des couleurs — Désignation et catalogue des couleurs CCR — Étalons secondaires (Limited collection of colours — Designation and catalogue of CCR colours — Secondary Standards).*⁵⁾

1) Available from the Honorary Librarian (National Illumination Committee of Great Britain), c/o The Library, Thorn Lighting Ltd., 146 Lincoln Road, Enfield, Middlesex EN1 1SB, UK.

2) Available from Munsell Color, 2441 N. Calvert Street, Baltimore, MD 21218, USA.

3) Available from Superintendent of Documents, US Government Printing Office, Washington DC 20402, USA.

4) Available from RAL Deutsches Institut für Gütesicherung und Kennzeichnung eV, Bornheimer Strasse 180, 5300 Bonn 1, Germany.

5) Available from AFNOR, Tour Europe, Cedex 7, 92080 Paris La Défense, France.

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<i>International Standard</i>	<i>Corresponding Indian Standard</i>	<i>Degree of Equivalence</i>
ISO 7864 : 1993 Sterile hypodermic needles for single use	IS 10654 : 1991 Sterile hypodermic needles for single use	Identical

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