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Specification for diagnostic medical X-ray equipment: Part 2 Performance requirements

This standard (IS 7620 Part 2: 1986) establishes performance requirements for diagnostic medical X-ray equipment used in healthcare settings for imaging and diagnostic purposes. The standard is part of a two-part series, with Part 1 focusing on general and safety requirements, and Part 2 specifically addressing **performance** criteria for various components of X-ray systems to ensure safety and **efficacy** in medical diagnostics.

Consumers, primarily healthcare providers as well as the target population expect the following from diagnostic X-ray equipment:

- 1) Accurate Imaging: High-resolution and clear images for accurate diagnostics.
- 2) **Safety:** Reliable control over radiation exposure levels, minimal leakage and protection against any kind of electric shock.
- 3) **Stability and Reliability :** Consistent performance across various voltage and temperature conditions with minimal drift in output.
- 4) **Durability and Maintenance :** Equipment that resists corrosion, functions effectively over extended periods and is easy to maintain with minimum service requirements.

The standard addresses these quality expectations through:

- Comprehensive Testing: Includes specific tests for accuracy of voltage and current indicators, temperature stability, and recycling time. Tests also evaluate grid alignment, Potter-Bucky Motion and synchronism Test and other image-quality factors.
- **Performance Benchmarks**: Sets permissible limits for deviations in milliampere stabilization, timer accuracy, and alignment, ensuring consistent image quality and reliability.
- **Safety Provisions**: Mandates protective measures for electrical insulation, interlocks to prevent accidental exposure, and corrosion protection for durability.
- User Guidance: Provides clear requirements for labelling, component testing, and safe installation practices, helping users understand and operate equipment safely and effectively.

Overall, IS 7620 (Part 2) ensures that diagnostic X-ray equipment meets rigorous standards for **safety**, **reliability and performance**, thereby aligning with the high expectations of healthcare service providers and patients for effective medical imaging.