

COMMITTEE: EL-002

Safety of Household and Similar Electrical Appliances and Small Power Transformers

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# **COMBINED POSTAL BALLOT/ AUSTRALIAN / NEW ZEALAND STANDARD FOR COMMENT**

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## **Amendment No. 2 to AS/NZS 62841.4.4:2021**

**Electric motor-operated hand-held tools, transportable  
tools and lawn and garden machinery – Safety**

**Part 4.4: Particular requirements for lawn trimmers,  
lawn edge trimmers, grass trimmers, brush cutters  
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Committee EL-002, *Safety of household and similar electrical appliances and small power transformers*

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Please note that this document is currently being voted on by the committee and the results of the postal ballot will be contingent on public comments received.

Comments on the proposal are invited from persons and organisations concerned with this subject.

Attention is drawn to the fact that this document is a draft only and is liable to alteration in the light of comments received. It is not to be regarded as an Australian/New Zealand standard until it is issued as such by Standards Australia and Standards New Zealand.

**NOTES OF THE SECRETARY:**

THE INTRODUCTION OF ANY NATIONAL VARIATIONS TO BE INCLUDED IN THIS STANDARD WILL OCCUR AFTER PUBLIC COMMENTS HAVE BEEN CONSIDERED AND PRIOR TO THE PUBLICATION OF THE STANDARD. THIS DOCUMENT MUST BE READ IN CONJUNCTION WITH AMENDMENT NO. 1 to IEC 62841-4-4, ED. 1.0, COPIES OF WHICH MAY BE VIEWED BY CONTACTING [enquiries@standards.govt.nz](mailto:enquiries@standards.govt.nz).

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**to**  
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**lawn and garden machinery – Safety**  
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**trimmers, brush cutters and brush saws**

**REVISED TEXT**

The 2021 edition of AS/NZS 62841.4.4 is amended as follows:

**Summary:** This amendment applies to the committee representation, the foreword, and Annex ANZ, and Clauses 2, 3, 8, 12, 18, 19, 20, 21, and 23, and Annexes I, K, AA, and BB of the IEC text.

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Approved for publication in Australia on behalf of the Council of Standards Australia's Standards Development and Accreditation Committee on daufiafn 202x.

Approved for publication in New Zealand by the New Zealand Standards Approval Board on daufiafn 202x.

The IEC text in this amendment takes effect 2 years from the date of publication of this amendment. The other parts of the amendment take effect from the date of publication of this amendment. During this period, the standard AS/NZS 62841.4.4:2021 without the IEC text part of this amendment will remain current.

Regulatory authorities that reference this standard in regulation may apply these requirements at a different time. Users of this standard should consult these authorities to confirm their requirements.

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**COMMITTEE REPRESENTATION**

*Delete:* Better Regulation Division (Fair Trading, Safework NSW, TestSafe) and Testing Interests New Zealand with International Accreditation New Zealand.

*Add:* Association of Accredited Certification Bodies, Australian Retailers Association, and Building Commission NSW.

**FOREWORD**

The text of IEC 62841-4-4, Ed. 1.0 Amendment No. 1 (2024), prepared by IEC Technical Committee TC 116, was submitted to the Standards Australia/Standards New Zealand Combined Procedure (dual public comment and committee vote) for adoption as an amendment to the Standards Australia/Standards New Zealand joint standard AS/NZS 62841.4.4:2021.

This amendment supplements or modifies the corresponding clauses of AS/NZS 62841.4.4:2021.

The national variations to IEC 62841-4-4, Ed. 1.0 Amendment No. 1 (2024) 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).

There are no national variations from the amendment to the IEC standard from which this amendment is adopted.

p NOTE In this document, p is used in the margin to indicate instructions for preparing the printed version of the amendment.

## 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.

Publication	Year	Title	AS/NZS	Year
ISO 22867	2021	<i>Forestry and gardening machinery – Vibration test code for portable handheld machines with internal combustion engine – Vibration at the handles</i>		
ISO 22868	2021	<i>Forestry and gardening machinery – Noise test code for portable hand-held machines with internal combustion engine – Engineering method (Grade 2 accuracy)</i>		

NOTE The following additional changes to AS/NZS 62841.4.4:2021 are needed to incorporate IEC 62841-4.4, Ed. 1.0, Amendment No. 1.

## FOREWORD

*Replace the existing fourth paragraph with the following:*

The text of IEC 62841-4-4, Ed. 1.0, Amendment No. 1, prepared by IEC Technical Committee TC 116, was submitted to the Standards Australia/Standards New Zealand Combined Procedure (dual public comment and committee vote) for adoption as an amendment to the Standards Australia/Standards New Zealand joint standard AS/NZS 62841.4.4:2021.

This standard incorporates IEC Amendment No. 1 (2024) as AS/NZS 62841.4.4:2021/AMD 2:2025. The changes introduced are indicated in the text by a marginal bar and amendment number against the part affected. Where an application date other than immediate is applicable to an amendment, the date of application (DOA) and the date of withdrawal (DOW) if relevant, are indicated by the marginal bar against the part affected. Unless otherwise indicated, the application date of the changes introduced by AS/NZS 62841.4.4:2021/AMD 2:2025 is gsgtr 202x.

NOTE Regulatory authorities that reference this standard in regulation may apply these amendment requirements at a different time. Users of this standard should consult these authorities to confirm their requirements.

While this standard is an identical adoption of the first edition of IEC 62841-4-4, *Electric motor-operated hand-held tools, transportable tools and lawn and garden machinery – Safety – Part 4-4: Particular requirements for lawn trimmers, lawn edge trimmers, grass trimmers, brush cutters and brush saws*, including its amendment (2024), Part 1 of the series has been modified with national variations (AS/NZS 62841.1:2022). These variations affect the use of this part.

AS/NZS 62841.4.4:2021 supplements or modifies the corresponding clauses of AS/NZS 62841.1 so as to convert it to the Australian/New Zealand Standard: Safety requirements for lawn trimmers, lawn edge trimmers, grass trimmers, brush cutters and brush saws.

*In the existing 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> paragraphs, replace Ed. 1.0 with Ed. 1.1.*