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ELECTRIC MOTOR-OPERATED HAND-HELD TOOLS, TRANSPORTABLE TOOLS AND LAWN AND GARDEN MACHINERY – SAFETY –**Part 2.20: Particular requirements for hand-held band saws**

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 60745.2.20:2009, in part, three years from the date of publication of this Standard. During this period AS/NZS 60745.2.20:2009 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 organizations 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 62841-2-20 Ed 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 of the IEC standard as a Standards Australia/Standards New Zealand joint standard.

This Standard is an adoption with national modifications of the first edition of IEC 62841-2-20 *Electric motor-operated hand-held tools, transportable tools and lawn and garden machinery – Safety – Part 2-20 Particular requirements for hand-held band saws*. It has been varied as indicated to take account of Australian and New Zealand conditions.

This part of AS/NZS 62841 has to be used in conjunction with the latest edition of AS/NZS 62841.1 *Electric motor-operated hand-held tools, transportable tools and lawn and garden machinery – Safety – Part 1: General requirements* and its Amendments. It was established on the basis of AS/NZS 62841.1:2015.

This part of AS/NZS 62841 supplements or modifies the corresponding clauses of AS/NZS 62841.1 so as to convert it into the Australian/New Zealand Standard: Safety requirements for hand-held band saws.

When a particular subclause of AS/NZS 62841.1 is not mentioned in this part of AS/NZS 62841, that subclause applies as far as is reasonable. When this standard states "addition", "modification" or "replacement", the relevant text of AS/NZS 62841.1 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 AS/NZS 62841.1;
- unless notes are in a new subclause or involve notes in AS/NZS 62841.1, they are numbered starting from 101, including those in a replaced clause or subclause;
- additional annexes are lettered AA, BB, etc.;

- 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.

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 3820¹ that could be applicable to requirements for hand-held band saws are covered by this standard.

The national variations to IEC 62841-2-20 Ed 1 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).

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¹ AS/NZS 3820 *Essential safety requirements for electrical equipment*

The text of the International Standard IEC 62841-2-20 Ed 1 was approved as a joint Australia/New Zealand Standard with the agreed national variations as given below.

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There are no national variations to this part of AS/NZS 62841 other than those listed in the national variations in AS/NZS 62841.1:2015.

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**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 publications 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.

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