



Standards Update Notice (SUN)

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Standard Information

Standard Number: CSA Z62.1

Standard Name: Chain saws

Standard Edition and Issue Date: 6th Edition Issued March 1, 2015

Date of Previous Revision of Standard: 5th Edition Revised October 1, 2011

Effective Date of New/Revised Requirements

Effective Date: **January 1, 2018**

Impact, Overview, Fees and Action Required

Impact Statement: A review of all Listing Reports is necessary to determine which products comply with new/revised requirements and which products will require re-evaluation. **NOTE:** Effective immediately, this revised standard will be exclusively used for evaluation of new products unless the Applicant requests in writing that current requirements be used along with their understanding that their listings will be withdrawn on Effective Date noted above, unless the product is found to comply with new/revised requirements.

Overview of Changes: Revisions to this Standard have been made to enhance the safety of chain saws, including the following:

- New IEC, ISO, and USDA Standards are referenced, and the text of this Standard has been harmonized with International Standards where appropriate.
- Chain saw sound pressure level limits were clarified.
- The test method for longitudinal balance was modified for Class 1B and 2B saws, and harmonized with ISO 8334.
- The test method for determining the vibration level for Type 2 saws was clarified.
- Two additional chain saw marking requirements were added.
- Various other editorial changes were made to enhance clarity of meaning throughout the Standard.

Specific details of new/revised requirements are found in table below.

If the applicable requirements noted in the table are not described in your report(s), these requirements will need to be confirmed as met and added to your report(s) such as markings, instructions, test results, etc. (as required).

Client Action Required:

Information – To assist our Engineer with review of your Listing Reports, please submit technical information in response to the new/revised paragraphs noted in the attached or explain why these new/revised requirements do not apply to your product (s).

Current Listings Not Active? – Please immediately identify any current Listing Reports or products that are no longer active and should be removed from our records. We will do this at no charge as long as Intertek is notified in writing prior to the review of your reports.



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Description of New/Revised Technical Requirements

Clause	Verdict	Comment
1.3		<i>New clause added;</i> "Consumer saws", formerly identified as Class 2C saws, will no longer be addressed in CSA Standard Z62.1-15. They will now be covered only by the standard CAN/CSA-C22.2 No. 60745-2-13.
2		<i>New clause added;</i> New IEC, ISO, and USDA Standards are referenced, and the text of this Standard has been harmonized with International Standards where appropriate;
6.9		<i>New clause added;</i> Chain saw sound pressure level limits (Clause 6.9) were clarified;
7.4.1		<i>New clause added;</i> The test method for longitudinal balance, was modified for Class 1B and 2B saws, and harmonized with ISO 8334;
7.5		<i>New clause added;</i> The test method for determining the vibration level for Type 2 saws was clarified
8		<i>New clause added;</i> Two additional chain saw marking requirements were added.
		CUSTOMERS PLEASE NOTE: This Table and column "Verdict" can be used in determining how your current or future production is or will be in compliance with new/revised requirements.