URGENT - Field Safety Notice/Advisory Notice
Philips HeartStart Intrepid Monitor/Defibrillator (867172)

Possible interference with other monitoring devices when both devices are connected to a patient

Dear Valued Philips Customer,

Philips has determined that the Philips HeartStart Intrepid Monitor/Defibrillator (Intrepid) device may cause interference on other monitoring devices if both devices are connected to a patient at the same time, and only if the Intrepid device is connected to an AC power source. While the Intrepid device meets the applicable standards for electromagnetic compatibility (EMC), Philips is alerting you of a potential risk. Depending on the clinical use case, interference with other monitoring device waveforms could result in delays in diagnosis and/or therapy.

The purpose of this notification is to:

- describe the actions that should be taken by the customer/user to prevent risks to patients.
- describe Philips’ plan to address the problem.

This document contains important information for the continued safe and proper use of your equipment

Please review the following information with all members of your staff who need to be aware of the contents of this communication.

Please retain a copy with the equipment Instructions for Use.

The following pages provide information on how to identify affected devices and instructions on actions to be taken. Follow the “ACTION TO BE TAKEN BY CUSTOMER / USER” section of the notice.

If you need further information or support concerning this issue, please contact your local Philips representative or call us at met.quality@philips.com.

Sincerely,

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<th><strong>Product:</strong> Philips HeartStart Intrepid Monitor/Defibrillator (Model number 867172).</th>
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| **PROBLEM DESCRIPTION** | The HeartStart Intrepid Monitor/Defibrillator may cause interference on other monitoring devices when the other monitors and the Intrepid are connected to the same patient and the Intrepid is connected to AC power. This interference appears as distortion in the waveforms displayed on the other monitoring devices, which may interfere with the ability to promptly evaluate the patient status. This issue can occur when the Intrepid is connected to the patient (e.g. multifunction electrode pads) and the Therapy Knob is set to any position, including “Off”.  

![Therapy Knob Image](image)

The Intrepid itself is unaffected by this interference. This means that even when ECG waveforms on an external monitor are distorted by this interference, any ECG waveform displayed on the Intrepid itself will not be.

Clinical situations in which a patient is simultaneously connected to other monitoring devices and an Intrepid device that is connected to AC power are relatively uncommon. For example, such simultaneous connections may occur in cardiac catheterization laboratories. |
| **HAZARD INVOLVED** | Interference with other monitoring device waveforms caused by the Intrepid may lead to:  
- A delay in diagnosis and/or therapy due to distractions experienced while troubleshooting the interference;  
- Interruption of therapy if this interference occurs during interventional procedures. |
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<th>HOW TO IDENTIFY AFFECTED PRODUCTS</th>
<th>The model number (867172) of the Philips HeartStart Intrepid Monitor/Defibrillator is printed on the primary label on the bottom of the device.</th>
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| ACTION TO BE TAKEN BY CUSTOMER / USER | You can continue to use your HeartStart Intrepid Monitor/Defibrillator if you follow its Instructions for Use (IFU) and take the precautions below:  
Identify areas in your facility where patients may be simultaneously monitored by an external patient monitor and connected to a monitor/defibrillator that is operating on AC power. For example, such simultaneous connections may occur in cardiac catheterization laboratories.  
If interference is detected, Philips recommends the Intrepid be unplugged from AC power and operated on battery power; this will eliminate the interference. If operating on battery power is not feasible and you are only experiencing ECG interference, you may use the Intrepid to monitor ECG instead of the primary monitor. This is possible because the Intrepid’s own ECG function is not affected by this interference.  
Additionally, ensure that the AC power filter (if available) on any other monitor connected to the patient, is configured to match the power frequency of your incoming power source (50Hz or 60Hz), as appropriate. This may reduce unintended interference on that monitor.  
To acknowledge receipt of this notification, please complete and fax the Customer Reply Form to: met.quality@philips.com |
| ACTIONS PLANNED BY PHILIPS | While additional safety risk management evaluation is underway, Philips is providing this Field Safety Notice/Advisory Notice. |
| FURTHER INFORMATION AND SUPPORT | If you need any further information or support, please contact your local Philips representative: met.quality@philips.com |
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**Customer Reply for 2021-CC-EC-002**

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**CUSTOMER ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

I certify the Field Safety Notification 2021-CC-EC-002 was received, read, and understood by staff who may use the Philips HeartStart intrepid.

Signature: ___________________________________________ Date: _____________

Please return your completed form at your earliest convenience by either method below.

1. Email completed and signed form to met.quality@philips.com
2. Fax completed and signed form to met.quality@philips.com