

## STANDARD INFORMATION

**Standard:** UL 1286

**Standard ID:** Office Furnishings [UL 1286:2022 Ed.6+R:31Aug2023]

**Previous Standard ID:** Office Furnishings [UL 1286:2022 Ed.6]

## EFFECTIVE DATE OF NEW/REVISED REQUIREMENTS

**Effective Date:** **August 31, 2025**

## IMPACT, OVERVIEW, AND ACTION REQUIRED

**Impact Statement:** Per our accreditation, Intertek is required to review reports against the standard revisions to confirm compliance. Once compliance is confirmed, the standard reference in the report is updated to show continued compliance to the technical requirements of the standard. Reports not updated to this version by the effective date above will be withdrawn.

### Overview of Changes:

- Addition Of Requirements To Address Risk Of Personal Injury From Low Level Panels And Screens
- Revisions That Allow For A Cord-Connected System To Be Provided With 14 AWG Cord And A 15 A Plug

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

***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 – Please immediately identify any current Listing Reports or products that are no longer active and should be removed from our records.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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|         |         | <i>Additions to existing requirements are <u>underlined</u> and deletions are shown <del>lined-out</del> below.</i>   |
| 10      | Info    | <b>Power-Supply Connections</b>   |
| 10.3    | Info    | <b>Cord-connected systems</b>   |
|         |         | A flexible cord used in accordance with 10.3.1 shall be rated for use at a voltage not less than the rated voltage of the product. The ampacity of the cord and plug shall:   |
| 10.3.2  |         | a) Not be less than that required for the application in accordance with ANSI/NFPA 70, and<br>b) Not be less than 20 A.   |
|         |         | <del>Exception: A system may be provided with 14 AWG cord and a 15 A plug, if the system complies with 10.3.5.</del>  |
| 10.3.4  |         | The attachment plug specified in 10.3.1 shall be rated 125 V, 20 A minimum, and shall be of one of the configurations covered in the Standard for Wiring Devices – Dimensional Requirements, ANSI/NEMA WD6-1988.              |
|         |         | <del>Exception: A system may be provided with 14 AWG cord and a 15 A plug, if the system complies with 10.3.5.</del>  |
|         |         | <b><i>This clause has been deleted;</i></b>   |
| 10.3.5  |         | <del>In accordance with the Exceptions in 10.3.2 and 10.3.4, a free-standing starter unit may be provided with 14 AWG cord and a 15 A plug, when the unit complies with the following conditions:</del>                       |
|         |         | <del>a) 15 A or less overcurrent protection is provided before the first receptacle;<br/>b) The system shall be limited to a total of ten, 15 A receptacles; and<br/>c) The product is marked in accordance with 38.20.</del> |
| 18      | Info    | <b>Mechanical Assembly</b>  |
| 18.2A   |         | <b><i>New section added;</i></b>  |
|         |         | <b>Low Level Panels and Screens</b>   |
| 18.2A.1 |         | In addition to the applicable requirements in this standard, a low-level panel or screen shall comply with 18.2A.2 and 18.2A.3.   |
|         |         | A low level panel or screen that may be used for seating shall comply with:   |
| 18.2A.2 |         | a) The requirements in 8.2 and 8.3;<br>b) The applicable test requirements in Sections 19 – 37 of this Standard; and<br>c) The applicable test requirements in Table 18.1.  |



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| 18.2A.3 |         | Low level panels that are not a straight run and are in configurations that could support a load such as in a straight run or in an “L”, “T”, “Y”, or “X” formation, either by using other panels or by the connection of accessories, such as a work surface, shall be evaluated for loading conditions such as being sat on. Low level screens that are considered able to be used for seats are those that are not a straight run and are in configurations that could support a load such as in an “L”, “T”, “Y”, or “X” formation by using other screens. |
| 18.2A.4 |         | Low level panels and screens shall be provided with instructions in 39.11.   |
|         | Info    | <b>MARKINGS</b>  |
| 38      | Info    | <b>Details</b>   |
|         |         | <i><b>This clause has been deleted;</b></i>  |
| 38.19   |         | <del>A free standing starter unit constructed in accordance with 10.3.5 shall be marked “WARNING” “Risk of Fire and Shock” “Do not create a system that has more than 10 receptacles” or equivalent wording.</del>   |
| 39      | Info    | <b>Installation and Operating Instructions</b>   |
|         |         | <i><b>New clause added;</b></i>  |
| 39.11   |         | Instructions for a low level panel or screen shall include a statement that the panel/screen shall only be used against a wall, under other furnishings, or in locations to minimize the risk of tripping or other injury to persons.<br><br>Exception: These instructions are not required for a low level panel/screen when it is connected to non-low level panels /screens.  |