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Telecommunications pathways and
spaces for commercial buildings
(ISO/IEC 18010:2002, MOD)**



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PREFACE

This Standard was prepared by the Joint Standards Australia/Standards New Zealand Committee CT-001, Communications Cabling for Commercial Buildings to supersede AS 3084-1993.

This Standard incorporates Amendment No. 1 (May 2007). The changes required by the Amendment are indicated in the text by a marginal bar and amendment number against the clause, note, table, figure or part thereof affected.

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This Standard is an adoption with national modifications and has been reproduced from ISO/IEC 18010:2002 and ISO/IEC 18010:2002 Amendment 1:2005 and has been varied as indicated to take account of Australian/New Zealand conditions.

The objective of this Standard is to assist architects, planners, designers, engineers, builders, installers, maintenance personnel, building owners, managers and users in the planning of physical pathways and spaces in and between buildings to accommodate the equipment and cabling infrastructure necessary for communications.

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The normative Appendix ZA has been added to the Standard’s main body of text to align this document with the Australian telecommunications and building construction regulatory environment. In New Zealand all references to any and all Australian documents shall be considered **informative only** where no equivalent New Zealand Standard is noted.

Appendix ZB provides design procedures and construction practices which can be referenced in project specific construction contract documents created by Australian and New Zealand users of this document. Much of the information has been updated from AS 3084—1993.

AS 3084—1993 was developed from EIA/TIA-569-A, *Commercial Building Standard for Telecommunications Pathways and Spaces*. This USA Standard was developed with the support of the American Institute of Architects and the Construction Specifications Institute, since it influences both the design and construction of commercial buildings, where various building components are to be structured into facilities which are responsive to telecommunications needs.

Appendix ZC provides guidelines and practical examples for some of the topics covered in Appendix ZB. The material in Appendix ZC has been updated from Appendix A in AS 3084—1993.

It should be noted that this Standard has a special relationship to AS/NZS 3080, *Telecommunications installations—Integrated communications cabling systems for commercial premises*. It recognizes that both building cabling and architectural provisions of the building into which such cabling systems are installed need to be standardized.

In Australia a useful supplement to this Standard is AS/ACIF S 009 which details mandatory installation requirements for customer cabling in Australia, where installations are to be connected to telecommunications carrier networks.

AS/NZS 3000, *Electrical installations (known as the Australian/New Zealand wiring rules)* contains general requirements for cabling pathways within buildings. In Australia only, AS/ACIF S 008, *Requirements for authorised cabling products*, and AS/ACIF S 009 *Wiring rules* provide mandatory requirements for telecommunications cabling products, including telecommunications conduit and pits.

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