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PREFACE

General

This Standard was prepared by the Joint Standards Australia/Standards New Zealand Committee FP-018, Fire Tests on Building Components, Materials and Structures, to supersede AS 1530.4—2005.

After consultation with stakeholders in both countries, Standards Australia and Standards New Zealand decided to develop this Standard as an Australian Standard rather than an Australian/New Zealand Standard.

Development and International Standards

This Standard aligns with the general principles and procedures set out in the ISO 834 series, *Fire-resistance tests—Elements of building construction*, of Standards and other related ISO documents. This Standard also includes references to relevant European Standards, as appropriate.

This Standard references normative and informative documents. Normative referenced documents are listed in Clause 1.5, and informative referenced documents are listed in the Bibliography.

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