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**Electrical accessories—Circuit-breakers
for overcurrent protection for household
and similar installations**

**Part 1: Circuit-breakers for a.c.
operation
(IEC 60898-1, Ed. 1.2 (2003) MOD)**

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PREFACE

This Standard was prepared by the Joint Standards Australia/Standards New Zealand Committee EL-004, Electrical Accessories to supersede AS/NZS 4898:1997, *Approval and test specification—Circuit-breakers for overcurrent protection for household and similar installations*, from the date of publication.

This Standard forms the first edition of AS/NZS 60898-1, *Electrical accessories—Circuit-breakers for overcurrent protection for household and similar installations Part 1: Circuit-breakers for a.c. operation*.

This Standard is to be used in conjunction with the appropriate Part 2, which contains clauses that supplement or modify the corresponding clauses in Part 1, to provide the relevant requirements for the appropriate type of product.

The objective of this Standard is to provide Australian and New Zealand electrical industries, manufacturers and regulatory bodies with safety general requirements for circuit-breakers for a.c. operation, and which may be used as the bases for approval for sale or for connection to supply in Australia and New Zealand.

This Standard is an adoption with national modifications and has been reproduced from, IEC 60898-1, Ed. 1.2 (2003), *Electrical accessories—Circuit-breakers for overcurrent protection for household and similar installations – Part 1: Circuit-breakers for a.c. operation* which includes Amendment 1:2002 and Amendment 2:2003.

Variations to IEC 60898-1 to take account of Australian/New Zealand conditions are indicated at the appropriate places throughout this standard. Strikethrough (~~example~~) identifies IEC text, tables and figures which, for the purposes of this Australian/New Zealand Standard, are deleted. Where text, tables or figures are added, each is set in its proper place and identified by shading (**example**). Added figures are not themselves shaded, but are identified by a shaded border.

Variations made to IEC 60898-1 form the Australian/New Zealand variations for the purposes of the CB scheme for recognition of testing to standards for safety of electrical equipment. These variations have been incorporated in the body of the standard. They are listed in Annex ZZ for easy reference.

This Standard will exist in parallel with AS/NZS 3111, *Approval and test specification—Miniature overcurrent circuit-breakers* (and any revisions thereof). Both this Standard and AS/NZS 3111 are acceptable for miniature overcurrent circuit-breakers.

The essential safety requirements in AS/NZS 3820 that could be applicable to miniature circuit-breakers are covered by this Standard taken in conjunction with any other relevant requirements affecting safety.

The terms ‘normative’ and ‘informative’ are used to define the application of the annex to which they apply. A normative annex is an integral part of a standard, whereas an informative annex is only for information and guidance.

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