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PREFACE

This standard was prepared by the Association's Committee on Technical Drawing. It constitutes Part 401 of a new multi-part standard designated AS 1100, Technical Drawing, which supersedes Parts 1 to 12 of the 13-part standard AS 1100, Drawing Practice.

Concurrent with this Part 401, Parts 101 and 201 are also published, viz:

- Part 101—General Principles
- Part 201—Mechanical Drawing.

Part 301 of this standard, Architectural Drawing, is in course of preparation and until such time as it is published, AS 1100 Part 13—1978, Architectural Drawing, will remain current.

It was in 1976 that the above committee decided that rather than have a standard of many parts it would be better if all aspects of technical drawing were consolidated into fewer parts that would embrace the entire discipline.

The designation AS 1100 has been retained for this new multi-part standard since it is already well established throughout industry and teaching institutions as the Australian standard number for technical drawing. However, to identify these new editions from the previous ones, the designation of 3-digit part numbers has been employed.

The scope of this standard embraces both the preparation of survey plans for engineering works and the illustration of proposed, designed and executed engineering works based on such survey plans. Cadastral and topographic plans, while outside the scope, are recognized as important information bases which in many instances act as an ideal medium for the addition of extra detail to form an engineering survey plan.

Engineering survey includes the following:

- (a) Data—the determination of dimensional data for planning engineering works.
- (b) Control—the establishment of marks to control engineering works.

This standard deals with the method of representation on engineering survey and engineering survey design drawings of information appropriate to each of these functions and is in three sections. The first section deals with the scope of the standard, definitions and classification of documents. The second deals with matters of general application to all engineering survey and design drawings. These first two sections, taken together with Part 101 of AS 1100—1984, are intended to provide a common language for the inter-disciplinary communication of information by means of engineering survey and engineering survey design drawings. Section 3 deals with special applications, and provides symbols and abbreviations for use on special-purpose drawings. It is intended that reference to Section 3 will only be required for access to information relating to special purposes such as, for example, identification of details relating to a specific utility.

Consideration must be given to line thickness, symbol height and lettering to ensure that they are suitable for the drawing scale, sheet size and possible filing method, e.g. microfilm.

Care should be taken not to confuse the symbols given in this standard with the scaled plotting of features which should be the adopted practice where practicable.

As a general principle, vertical displacement from a datum plane is referred to in terms of 'height' rather than 'level', e.g. 'floor height'. However, there are some cases where the traditional use of the word 'level' is correct, as for example the 'full supply level' of a reservoir.

The following Supplements of typical drawings illustrating use of the conventions specified in the standard have been prepared; others may be forthcoming:

- Supp. No 1 Aviation Facilities
- Supp. No 2 Gas Distribution
- Supp. No 3 Sewerage and Water Supply
- Supp. No 4 Roads

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Part 401—ENGINEERING SURVEY AND ENGINEERING SURVEY DESIGN DRAWING

SECTION 1. SCOPE AND GENERAL

1.1 SCOPE. This standard sets out recommendations for engineering survey and engineering survey design drawing practice.

1.2 APPLICATION. The standard indicates methods of presenting survey information on drawings before, during and after construction of engineering works. Such drawings would show a varying mixture of both natural and designed features above and below ground.

NOTES:

1. For example, a power station drawing would show only a few sets of local coordinates, a restricted number of heights and the transformation parameters to Australian Map Grid or State Survey Coordinates. The rest of the drawing would provide mechanical, electrical and civil engineering design features drawn in accordance with AS 1100. Such a drawing should nevertheless be termed an engineering survey and engineering survey design drawing within the scope of this standard with the intention of directing all those involved in other fields to standard drawing practice.
2. Some of the symbols prescribed in this standard for aviation facilities, electricity distribution, railways and communications are at variance with the electrotechnology symbols given in AS 1102, Part 8.

This variance stems from two major sources as follows:

- (a) Traditional usage within the discipline, e.g. dashed lines to indicate a hidden object.
- (b) The use to which an engineering survey drawing is put, e.g. the existence of a runway light is all that is required; to indicate its type is superfluous and the size of the symbol prohibits details.

1.3 REFERENCED DOCUMENTS. The following documents are referred to in this standard:

AS 1100	Technical Drawing Part 101—1984 General Principles Part 201—1984 Mechanical Drawing Part 13—1978 Architectural Drawing Supp. No 4 Contour
AS 1102	Graphical Symbols for Electrotechnology Part 8—Location Symbols—Power Supply Systems and Electrical Services for Buildings and Sites Part 12—Electric Traction
AS 1155	Metric Units for Use in the Construction Industry
AS 1348	Glossary of Terms Used in Road Engineering
AS 1726	SAI Site Investigation Code
AS 1743	Road Signs
AS 2144	Traffic Signal Lanterns
AS 2300	Traffic Signal Posts and Attachments
Chart 5011	Symbols and Abbreviations Used on Admiralty Charts*

1.4 DEFINITIONS. For the purpose of this standard, the following definitions apply:

- 1.4.1 Centreline**—a reference line, at or near the centre or axis of work.
- 1.4.2 Contour**—a line connecting a series of points at the same height, or a line representing this on a drawing.
- 1.4.3 Control line**—a reference line from which dimensions are controlled.
- 1.4.4 Cross-section**—a vertical section normal to the line of chainage viewed in the direction of ascending chainage.

NOTE: For drains and rivers, cross-sections are drawn facing down-stream with the left and right banks in the correct relative position.

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