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**Refrigerated display cabinets**

**Part 5: Temperature test**



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## PREFACE

This Standard was prepared by Standards Australia Committee ME/8, Refrigerated Display Cabinets, to supersede (in part) AS 1731—1983, *Frozen food retail cabinets*.

The Scope of the original Standard has been extended to include requirements for retail chiller cabinets as well as retail freezer cabinets.

This Standard is based on British Standard BS EN 441:1996, *Refrigerated display cabinets* (Part 5).

The Standard forms Part 5 of a series of Standards for refrigerated display cabinets, as follows:

### AS

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1731.1	Part 1: Terms and definitions
1731.2	Part 2: General mechanical and physical requirements
1731.3	Part 3: Linear dimensions, areas and volumes
1731.4	Part 4: General test conditions
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1731.8	Part 8: Water vapour condensation test
1731.9	Part 9: Electrical energy consumption test
1731.10	Part 10: Test for absence of odour and taste
1731.11	Part 11: Installation, maintenance and user guide
1731.12	Part 12: Measurement of the heat extraction rate of the cabinets when the condensing unit is remote from the cabinet

The objective of this series of Standards is to provide standardized construction requirements and performance assessment procedures for refrigerated display cabinets for use by manufacturers, suppliers, purchasers, operators and regulators of these systems.

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## 1 SCOPE

### 1.1 Scope of the Standard

This Standard specifies terminology, general mechanical and physical requirements, test conditions as well as installation and maintenance including a user's guide, for refrigerated display cabinets for the sale or display, or both, of food products.

This Standard does not cover refrigerated vending machines, cabinets intended for use in catering and similar non-retail applications or food service cabinets.

### 1.2 Scope of Part 5

This Part of AS 1731 specifies methods for the determination of test package temperatures in refrigerated display cabinets.

## 2 REFERENCED DOCUMENTS

The following document is referred to in this Standard.

AS

1731 Refrigerated display cabinets

1731.4 Part 4: General test conditions

## 3 TEST PROCEDURE

### 3.1 Preparation of test cabinet

The cabinet is installed in the test room and the test is prepared according to AS 1731.4

### 3.2 Loading the cabinet — General

The cabinet shall be loaded with test packages and M-packages (see AS 1731.4) up to the load limit, as illustrated in Figures 1 to 12. These packages shall have previously been brought to a temperature equal to that expected during the test. Packages of 1000 g and 500 g should preferably be used.

To complete the loading, the following sizes of test packages should be used:

- a) 25 mm × 100 mm × 200 mm.
- b) 37.5 mm × 100 mm × 200 mm.
- c) 25 mm × 50 mm × 100 mm.

In addition, pieces of the above packages shall be used as fillers.

The test packages shall be arranged so as to form an even level.

Each refrigerated shelf area shall be loaded with test packages arranged in such a way that they form rows with a length of 200 mm, by the depth of the cabinet, in the direction of the airflow in the cabinet.