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PREFACE

This Standard was prepared by Joint Standards Australia/Standards New Zealand Committee ME/62, Ventilation and Airconditioning, to supersede AS 1890—1976.

The objective of this document is to provide standardized construction, performance and test requirements for thermally released links for use by manufacturers, specifiers and users of these products.

Thermally released links are intended to be mounted so as to be primarily under tension. For applications where the thermally released link will be subject to an in-service tension force of less than 1.47 N (0.15 kgf), special certification as to suitability should be required from the manufacturer.

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1 SCOPE

This Standard specifies requirements for thermally released links for general fire protection services in buildings. Thermally released links are commonly used in fire dampers, fire shutters, smoke and heat ventilators and fire doors.

The Standard includes requirements for construction, testing, identification and marking of thermally released links, as well as special high temperature fatigue test procedures for uncoated and coated thermally released links, for use in high temperature industrial environments.

This Standard does not apply to links incorporated in sprinkler heads.

2 REFERENCED DOCUMENTS

The following documents are referred to in this Standard:

AS	
1199	Sampling procedures and table for inspection by attributes
1399	Guide to AS 1199—Sampling procedures and tables for inspection by attributes
2362	Automatic fire detection and alarm systems—Methods of test for actuating devices
2362.1	Method 1: Heat sensitive testing of Types A, B, C and D heat detectors
2362.13	Method 13: Corrosion test
2831	Thermometers—Solid system—Long and short—For precision use
AS/NZS	
ISO 9000	Quality management and quality assurance standards
ISO 9000.1	Part 1: Guidelines for selection and use
ISO 9004	Quality management and quality system elements
ISO 9004.1	Part 1: Guidelines
SAA	
HB18	Guidelines for third-party certification and accreditation
HB18.28	Guide 28—General rules for model third-party certification scheme for products

3 IDENTIFICATION

Thermally released links shall be identified by temperature rating, type of coating or plating, maximum working load and other factors, which may have a bearing on their intended use.

The identification, legibly marked, shall be in accordance with Clause 7.