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Method 7.2: Dropweight fracture toughness test for nil-ductility transition  
temperature**

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## Methods for destructive testing of welds in metal

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#### PREFACE

This Standard was prepared by the Standards Australia Committee WD-006, Testing of Welds, to supersede AS 2205.7.2—1997.

The objective of this edition is to update the Standard and include editorial changes in accordance with current Standards Australia editorial policy.

#### METHOD

##### 1 SCOPE

This Standard sets out a method for dropweight testing of a welded joint to determine the nil-ductility transition temperature of a selected area of metal in the weld zone.

NOTE: For the purposes of this Standard, welding consumables are taken to mean electrodes, filler metals, fluxes and gases.

##### 2 REFERENCED DOCUMENT

The following document is referred to in this Standard:

AS

1663 Method for dropweight test for nil-ductility transition temperature of ferritic steels

##### 3 PRINCIPLE

A test specimen is prepared and tested in a specified manner and the nil-ductility transition temperature of a selected area of metal in the weld zone is determined.

##### 4 PREPARATION OF TEST SPECIMEN

###### 4.1 Type and dimensions

The shape, dimensions and method of preparation of the test specimen shall be in accordance with AS 1663.

###### 4.2 Location of specimen

The location and orientation of the test specimen and the notch relative to the weld shall be one of the positions shown in Figure 1, or as specified in the application Standard. A transverse section of the specimen shall be etched to distinguish between the weld metal, heat-affected zones and the parent metal, to ensure that the notch will be located correctly.