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This standard may require reference to the following Australian standards:

- AS 1023 Thermal Protection of Electric Motors
  - Part 1— Built-in Thermal Detectors and Associated Control Units
  - Part 2— Thermal Overload Protective Devices
  - Part 3— Inherent Overheat Protectors
- AS 1034 High Voltage Current-limiting Fuses
- AS 1202 A.C. Motor Starters (up to and including 1000 V)
  - Part 1— Direct-on-line (Full Voltage) Starters
- AS 1431 Control Switching Devices for Voltages up to 650 V a.c. and 250 V d.c.
  - Part 2— Push-button and Related Control Switches (Including Indicator Lights)
- AS 1824 Insulation Coordination
  - Part 1— Basic Principles, Standard Insulation Levels and Test Procedures
  - Part 2— Application Guide
- AS 1852 International Electrotechnical Vocabulary
- AS 1864 High Voltage Alternating Current Contactors
- AS 1931 High Voltage Testing Techniques
  - Part 1— General Definitions, Test Requirements, Test Procedures and Measuring Devices
  - Part 2— Application Guide for Measuring Devices
- AS 2006 High Voltage Alternating Current Circuit-Breakers
- AS 2067 Switchgear Assemblies and Ancillary Equipment for A.C. Voltages above 1 kV
- AS 2086 Metal-enclosed Switchgear and Controlgear for Rated Voltages above 1 kV up to and Including 72.5 kV

- AS . . . . Insulation-enclosed Switchgear and Controlgear for Rated Voltages above 1 kV up to and including 36 kV\*
- AS C100 Approval and Test Specification for Definitions and General Requirements for Electrical Materials and Equipment
- AS C320 Classification of Insulating Materials for Electrical Machinery and Apparatus on the Basis of Thermal Stability in Service.

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**PART 1  
DIRECT-ON-LINE (FULL VOLTAGE) A.C. STARTERS**

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**SECTION 1. SCOPE AND OBJECT**

**1.1 SCOPE.** This standard applies to direct-on-line (full voltage) starters for industrial use, intended to start and accelerate a motor to normal speed, and to provide means for the protection of the motor and its associated circuit against operating overloads, and to intentionally cause the motor to stop.

This standard also applies to reversing starters, and includes inching and plugging duties.

It applies only to starters, the main contacts of which are intended to be connected to circuits of above 1000 V up to and including 20 000 V a.c. rated voltage for use in installations not exposed to atmospheric overvoltages. As such starters are normally for three-phase motors with three-pole switching, this specification is limited to these arrangements. Variations necessary for any other arrangement are subject to special agreement.

Breaking of short-circuit currents is outside the scope of this standard, and the standard does not apply to starters using static main switching devices or to dependent manual starters (see Note to Clause 2.1.4).

**NOTES:**

1. Suitable short-circuit protection should be ensured by protective devices (e.g. fuses or circuit-breakers) which may form part of the installation or of the starter itself. These protective devices should comply with the appropriate Australian standards. Appendix B gives requirements for their coordination with the starter.
2. The use of starters in installations exposed to atmospheric overvoltages is subject to special agreement. Where necessary, reference should be made to the appropriate Australian standard, e.g. AS 2086 and AS 2087, Insulation-enclosed Switchgear and Controlgear for Rated Voltages above 1 kV and including 30 000 V (in course of preparation).

The clauses of this standard relating to overload protection may not be applicable in the case of controlgear relying for its operation on built-in over-temperature protective devices.

NOTE: The expression 'built-in' means built into the motor.