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PREFACE

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This Standard is one of a series which deals with methods of measurement of water flow in open channels. The series, when complete, will consist of the following parts:

- Part 1: Vocabulary and symbols
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 - Method 4.9: Parshall and Saniiri flumes
 - Method 4.10: End-depth method for estimation of flow in rectangular channels with a free overfall
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- Part 6.4: Measuring devices, instruments and equipment—Echo sounders for water depth measurements
- Part 6.5: Measuring devices, instruments and equipment—Water level measuring devices
- Part 6.6: Measuring devices, instruments and equipment—Cableway system for stream gauging
- Part 6.7: Measuring devices, instruments and equipment—Ultrasonic (acoustic) velocity meters
- Part 6.8: Measuring devices, instruments and equipment—Position fixing equipment for hydrometric measurements

For the purposes of this Australian Standard, the ISO text should be modified as follows:

- (a) Wherever the words 'International Standard' appear, referring to this Standard, they should be read as 'Australian Standard'.
- (b) Wherever the word 'fluid' appears, it should be read as 'water'.
- (c) Substitute a point (.) for a comma (,) as a decimal marker.
- (d) The references to other publications should be replaced by references to Australian Standards.

<i>Reference to International Standard</i>		<i>Australian Standard</i>	
ISO		AS	
1000	SI units and recommendations for the use of their multiples and of certain other units.	1000	The international system of units (SI) and its application
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Part 2.2: General—Establishment and operation of a gauging station

1 Scope and field of application

1.1 This International Standard deals with the establishment and operation of a gauging station on a lake, reservoir, river or artificial open channel for the measurement of stage or discharge or both. It is generally applicable to the measurement methods described in the International Standards which are noted in clause 2 and it covers only such additional requirements as are necessitated by its wider scope.

1.2 The requirements for a stage measuring station are set out in clause 5. The requirements for a discharge measuring station are classified under two headings:

- a) Individual measurements.
These include methods suitable for a single measurement of discharge or a limited number of measurements often used to calibrate a station.
- b) Regular measurements.
These include methods suitable for relatively frequent measurements often made over many years.

2 References

ISO 31, *Quantities, units and symbols*.

ISO 555/1, *Liquid flow measurement in open channels — Dilution methods for measurement of steady flow — Part 1: Constant rate injection method*.

ISO 555/2, *Liquid flow measurement in open channels — Dilution methods for measurement of steady flow — Part 2: Integrative (sudden injection) method*.

ISO 748, *Liquid flow measurement in open channels — Velocity area methods*.

ISO 772, *Liquid flow measurement in open channels — Vocabulary and symbols*.

ISO 1000, *SI units and recommendations for the use of their multiples and of certain other units*.

ISO 1070, *Liquid flow measurement in open channels — Slope-area method*.

ISO 1088, *Liquid flow measurement in open channels — Velocity area methods — Collection of data for determination of errors in measurement*.

ISO 1100/2, *Liquid flow measurement in open channels — Part 2: Determination of the stage-discharge relation*¹⁾.

ISO 1408, *Water flow measurement in open channels using weirs and venturi flumes — Part 1: Thin-plate weirs*.

ISO 1425, *Measurement of flow in tidal channels*.

ISO 2537, *Liquid flow measurement in open channels — Cup-type and propeller-type current meters*.

ISO 3454, *Liquid flow measurement in open channels — Sounding and suspension equipment*.

ISO 3455, *Liquid flow measurement in open channels — Calibration of rotating element current meters in straight open tanks*.

ISO 3716, *Liquid flow measurement in open channels — Functional requirements and characteristics of suspended load samplers*.

ISO 3846, *Liquid flow measurement in open channels by weirs and flumes — Free overfall weirs of finite crest width (rectangular broad-crested weirs)*.

1) At present at the stage of draft.