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PREFACE

This Standard was prepared by the Standards Australia Committee CE-024, Measurement of Water Flow in Open Channels and Closed Conduits, to supersede AS 3778.4.6—1991.

The objective of this Standard is to specify methods for measuring discharge in large rivers and estuaries by the moving-boat technique.

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1 Scope

This International Standard describes the methods of measurement of flow in rivers and artificial channels under steady or slowly varying conditions using flat-V weirs (see Figure 1).

Annex A gives guidance on acceptable velocity distribution.

2 Normative references

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ISO 772, *Hydrometric determinations — Vocabulary and symbols*

ISO/TR 5168, *Measurement of fluid flow — Evaluation of uncertainty*

Guide to the expression of uncertainty in measurement (GUM), BIPM, IEC, IFCC, ISO, IUPAC, INPAP and OIML

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this International Standard, the terms and definitions given in ISO 772 apply.