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3850.2 Part 2: Building construction (this Standard)

The objective of this part of the Standard is to provide requirements for planning, construction, design, casting, transportation, erection and incorporation into the final structure of prefabricated concrete elements in building construction.

In this Standard where the word ‘shall’ is used, a mandatory requirement is implied; where the word ‘should’ is used, a recommendation is implied.

Statements expressed in mandatory terms in notes to tables are deemed to be requirements of this Standard.

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SECTION 1 SCOPE AND GENERAL

### 1.1 SCOPE

This Standard provides requirements for planning, construction, design, casting, transportation, erection and incorporation into the final structure of prefabricated concrete elements in building construction. It applies to prefabricated concrete elements including, but not limited to, wall elements, columns, beams, flooring and facade elements used in building construction.

This Standard does not cover the following elements:

- (a) Concrete pipes, bridge beams or culverts (e.g. concrete pipes or culverts used in civil construction works to channel water under roads, railways or embankments).
- (b) Small individual concrete elements that can be handled manually (e.g. bricks, blocks and pavers).

NOTE: The elements mentioned in Items (a) and (b) are covered by other Australian Standards.

### 1.2 NORMATIVE REFERENCES

The following are the normative documents referenced in this Standard:

NOTE: Documents referenced for informative purposes are listed in the Bibliography.

AS	
2550	Cranes, hoists and winches—Safe use (series)
3610	Formwork for concrete
3610.1	Part 1: Documentation and surface finish
3850	Prefabricated concrete elements
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4100	Steel structures
AS/NZS	
1100	Technical drawing
1100.501	Part 501: Structural engineering drawing
1170	Structural design actions
1170.0	Part 0: General principles
1170.2:2011	Part 2: Wind actions
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