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transition couplings**

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## PREFACE

This Standard was prepared by the Joint Standards Australia/Standards New Zealand Committee WS-001, *Water Fittings*, to supersede ATS 5200.458—2004, *Technical Specification for plumbing and drainage products Part 458: Universal transition fittings*.

The objective of this Standard is to provide general requirements for couplings to be used for connecting pipes of diverse materials. The basic principle is that the piping systems attached by the universal plastic-bodied transition couplings are stronger than the equivalent PE pipe system strength.

The test protocol and information in this Standard was arranged by committee members to meet the authorization requirements given in the Plumbing Code of Australia.

The word 'VOID' set against a clause indicates that the clause is not used in this Standard. The inclusion of this word allows for the use of a common clause numbering system for the plumbing and drainage Standards.

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## STANDARDS AUSTRALIA

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**1 SCOPE**

This Standard sets out requirements for plastic-bodied transition couplings intended to join PE, PB, PEX, PP, PVC, ABS, copper, ductile iron, cast iron, lead, stainless steel and galvanized steel pipes for cold water applications (with a maximum operating pressure of 1250 kPa at 20°C) to each other and to themselves (i.e., PE to copper), for pipe sizes up to 110 mm outside diameter.

**2 APPLICATION**

Appendix A sets out the means by which compliance with this Standard shall be demonstrated by a manufacturer for the purpose of product certification.

**3 REFERENCED DOCUMENTS**

The following documents are referred to in this Standard:

## AS

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| 2345   | Dezincification resistance of copper alloys   |
| 3688   | Water supply—Metallic fittings and end connectors                                   |
| AS/NZS |   |
| 3500   | Plumbing and drainage   |
| 3500.0 | Part 0: Glossary of terms   |
| 3707   | Method for testing pressure cycling resistance of pipes and fittings                |
| 4020   | Testing of products for use in contact with drinking water                          |
| 4130   | Polyethylene (PE) pipes for pressure applications                                   |
| 4158   | Thermoplastic polymeric coatings on valves and fittings for water industry purposes |

## AS ISO

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| 7   | Pipe threads where pressure-tight joints are made on the threads |
| 7.1 | Part 1: Dimensions, tolerances and designation                   |

## ISO

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| 1167   | Thermoplastics pipes, fittings and assemblies for the conveyance of fluids—Determination of the resistance to internal pressure                |
| 1167.1 | Part 1: General method   |
| 3459   | Polyethylene (PE) pressure pipes—Joints assembled with mechanical fittings—Internal under-pressure test method and requirement                 |
| 3501   | Assembled joints between fittings and polyethylene (PE) pressure pipes—Test of resistance to pull out  |
| 3503   | Assembled joints between fittings and polyethylene (PE) pressure pipes—Test of leakproofness under internal pressure when subjected to bending |