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water supply systems**

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## PREFACE

This Standard was prepared by the Joint Standards Australia/Standards New Zealand Committee WS-022, Valves for Waterworks Purposes, to supersede in part ATS 5200.012—2005, *Technical Specification for plumbing and drainage products Part 012: In-line valves for use in plumbing water supply systems—Miscellaneous types metallic and non-metallic*.

After consultation with stakeholders in both countries, Standards Australia and Standards New Zealand decided to develop this Standard as an Australian Standard rather than an Australian/New Zealand Standard.

The objective of this Standard is to provide suitable materials and performance tests for metal-bodied ball valves used in plumbing water supply systems together with compliance requirements for the use of manufacturers and conformity assessment bodies.

Many of the requirements within this Standard are taken from AS 4617, *Manual shut off gas valves*, due to safety and performance requirements being applicable to this Standard.

While it was recognized that three-piece ball valves are manufactured for a range of industrial applications, it was decided that, for the purposes of plumbing water supply systems, three-piece ball valves would not be addressed until it could be demonstrated that such valves were appropriate for plumbing water supply systems and there were relevant fully documented design, manufacturing, performance and testing requirements available.

The terms ‘normative’ and ‘informative’ have been used in this Standard to define the application of the appendix to which they apply. A ‘normative’ appendix is an integral part of a Standard, whereas an ‘informative’ appendix is only for information and guidance.

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## SECTION 1 SCOPE AND GENERAL

**1.1 SCOPE**

This Standard sets out requirements for DN 6 to DN 100 one-piece and two-piece metal-bodied in-line ball valves for use in plumbing water supply systems, which includes, but is not limited to, 2 way and 3 way valves.

The valves are designed for non-buried installations operating at temperatures up to 65°C or greater, as specified by the manufacturer.

## NOTES:

- 1 Purchasing guidelines are given in Appendix B.
- 2 The requirements for end of line 'ball' taps are set out in AS 2753 3718.
- 3 The requirements for valves for connection of property services are set out in AS 4796.

**1.2 DEMONSTRATION OF COMPLIANCE**

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

**1.3 NORMATIVE REFERENCES**

The following are the normative documents referenced in this Standard:

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

AS	
681	Elastomeric seals—Material requirements for pipe joint seals used in water and drainage applications
681.1	Part 1: Vulcanized rubber
1432	Copper tubing for plumbing, gasfitting and drainage applications
1565	Copper and copper alloys—Ingots and castings
1572	Copper and copper alloys—Seamless tubes for engineering purposes
1640	Elastomeric seals for waterworks purposes
1835	Ductile cast iron
2129	Flanges for pipes, valves and fittings
2136	Method for detecting the susceptibility of copper and its alloys to stress corrosion cracking using the mercurous nitrate test
2345	Dezincification resistance of copper alloys
2738	Copper and copper alloys—Compositions and designations of refinery products, wrought products, ingots and castings
3688	Water supply—Metallic fittings and end connectors