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- (i) The Preface states who developed the Standard, what the Standard is aiming to do, and how it relates to other documents.
- (ii) The Scope states what the Standard is about, what it covers and what it does not cover.
- (iii) The Normative references clause lists other documents that are referenced in the Standard as part of requirements.
- (iv) The Terms and definitions clause defines important terms to help with understanding the Standard.

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- (2) An informative appendix provides additional information or guidance. An informative appendix provides additional information or guidance. They usually do not contain requirements. If an informative appendix does contain requirements, the Standard will specify when those requirements apply.
- (3) A Bibliography lists documents referenced in the Standard but not as part of requirements.

Many Standards include notes. Notes provide recommendations and/or guidance only. They never contain requirements.

## Preface

This Standard was prepared by the Joint Standards Australia/Standards New Zealand Committee CS-062, Solid Fuel Burning Appliances, to supersede AS/NZS 4013:2014.

The objective of this document is to set out comprehensive specifications and instructions for the appropriate test equipment to determine the flue gas emissions of solid fuel burning appliances.

Results of testing using the described method may be used by consumers when selecting a domestic solid fuel burning appliance, and regulatory bodies when setting allowable emission limits for domestic solid fuel burning appliances.

The test method described in this document enables a comparison of appliance performance in a laboratory setting; however, the results may not reflect performance under uncontrolled real-world conditions.

The major changes in this edition are as follows:

- (a) The particulate emissions limit has been reduced in [Clause 8.1.1](#).
- (b) If a Standard is referenced in legislation, the legislative instrument or regulation specifies the date on which the Standard comes into effect. Regulatory authorities have indicated three years as an appropriate transition period from the date of publication to the removal of central heating appliances from the list of excluded appliances list in [Clause 1.1](#). Refer to the relevant regulatory authority for further information.
- (c) The upper limit for the emission sampling train has been removed in [Clause 7.7\(e\)](#).

The terms “normative” and “informative” are used in Standards to define the application of the appendices 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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### 1 Scope and general

#### 1.1 Scope

This document specifies a test method for determining the particulate emission factor from batch-fed domestic solid fuel burning appliances and the associated particulate emission acceptance criteria.

Appliances within the scope of this document include —

- (a) space-heating appliances; and
- (b) space-heating appliances which include water-heating devices.

Appliances excluded from the scope of this document are —

- i) site-built masonry appliances;
- ii) cooking appliances;
- iii) appliances intended solely for water heating;
- iv) appliances intended solely to distribute convective heat via ducting to locations remote from the appliance;
- v) appliances that when fired at the high burn rate prescribed in this document have a maximum carbon dioxide output from the combustion chamber of less than 5 % by volume with any optional doors fitted and closed.

#### 1.2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements of this document.

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

AS/NZS 4012, *Domestic solid fuel burning appliances—Method for determination of power output and efficiency*

AS/NZS 4014 (all parts), *Domestic solid fuel burning appliances—Test fuels*

#### 1.3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in AS/NZS 2918, AS/NZS 4012 and the following apply.

##### 1.3.1 appliance particulate emission factor

arithmetic mean of the average particulate emission factors at each of the high, medium and low burn rates

##### 1.3.2 cooking appliance

solid fuel burning appliance that incorporates at least one cooking hot plate and an oven with a volume not less than 28 L with the ability for gaseous combustion products to be routed around the oven