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Foreword

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BS 8298, *Design and installation of natural stone cladding and lining*, will eventually be issued in four parts:

- Part 2: *Traditional handset external cladding – Code of practice*;
- Part 3: *Stone-faced precast concrete cladding systems – Code of practice*;
- Part 4: *Stone cladding on rainscreen support systems – Code of practice*; and
- Part 5: *Natural stone lining – Code of practice*.¹⁾

The recommendations for production control testing that were previously given in Part 1: *General* have or will be incorporated into Parts 2 to 5, so that Part 1 is withdrawn.

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Commentary, explanation and general informative material is presented in smaller italic type, and does not constitute a normative element.

The word “should” is used to express recommendations of this standard. The word “may” is used in the text to express permissibility, e.g. as an alternative to the primary recommendation of the clause. The word “can” is used to express possibility, e.g. a consequence of an action or an event.

Notes and commentaries are provided throughout the text of this standard. Notes give references and additional information that are important but do not form part of the recommendations. Commentaries give background information.

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1 Scope

This part of BS 8298 gives recommendations for the design, installation and maintenance of natural stone directly attached to precast concrete units (i.e. stone-faced concrete cladding units as defined in [BS 8297](#)).

It is not applicable to loadbearing stones or stones held only by adhesion or to any type of stonework supported or held in position around the perimeter of stones or series of stones by metal framing.

Guidance on the design of the precast concrete unit and fixing is given in [BS 8297](#).

Different cladding and lining methods are covered in the other parts of BS 8298 (see Foreword).

2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes provisions of this document²⁾. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

[BS 8221-1](#), *Code of practice for cleaning and surface repair of buildings – Part 1: Cleaning of natural stone, brick, terracotta and concrete*

[BS 8221-2](#), *Code of practice for cleaning and surface repair of buildings – Part 2: Surface repair of natural stones, brick and terracotta*

[BS 8297](#), *Design, manufacture and installation of architectural precast concrete – Code of practice*

BS EN 1469, *Natural stone products – Slabs for cladding – Requirements*

BS EN 1936, *Natural stone test methods – Determination of real density and apparent density, and of total and open porosity*

BS EN 1996-2, *Eurocode 6 – Design of masonry structures – Part 2: Design considerations, selection of materials and execution of masonry*

BS EN 12059, *Natural stone products – Dimensional stone work – Requirements*

BS EN 12370, *Natural stone test methods – Determination of resistance to salt crystallization*

BS EN 12371, *Natural stone test methods – Determination of frost resistance*

BS EN 12372, *Natural stone test methods – Determination of flexural strength under concentrated load*

BS EN 12407, *Natural stone test methods – Petrographic examination*

BS EN 12444, *Natural stone – Denomination criteria*

BS EN 12610, *Natural stone – Terminology*

BS EN 13161, *Natural stone test methods – Determination of flexural strength under constant moment*

BS EN 13373, *Natural stone test methods – Determination of geometric characteristics on units*

BS EN 13755, *Natural stone test methods – Determination of water absorption at atmospheric pressure*

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