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## Foreword

### Publishing information

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- *Part 1: Specification for the contents of workplace first aid kits*
- *Part 2: Specification for the contents of motor vehicle first aid kits*

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

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## 1 Scope

This part of BS 8599 specifies requirements for the compilation of first aid components in three sizes of first aid kits (small, medium and large) for use in motor vehicles.

Requirements are also given for the container holding the components.

*NOTE 1 Motor vehicle first aid kits can be complemented by other items that have been identified during a risk assessment. Where there are unusual hazards that are specific to a particular use of a vehicle, such as vehicles carrying dangerous chemicals (e.g. hydrofluoric acid), first aid kits might need to be supplemented with additional appropriate components.*

*NOTE 2 Annex A gives recommendations on the number and size of the first aid kits necessary for different vehicle types and numbers of passengers.*

*NOTE 3 Annex B gives details of vehicle categories as defined by the European Commission [1].*

*NOTE 4 A workplace risk assessment might determine that the vehicle motor kit is suitable for a lone worker.*

## 2 Normative references

The following documents, in whole or in part, are normatively referenced in this document and are indispensable for its application. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

BS 7505:1995, *Specification for the elastic properties of flat, non-adhesive, extensible fabric bandages*

BS EN 455-1, *Medical gloves for single use – Part 1: Requirements and testing for freedom from holes*

BS EN 455-2, *Medical gloves for single use – Part 2: Requirements and testing for physical properties*

BS EN ISO 7010:2011, *Graphical symbols – Safety colours and safety signs – Registered safety signs*

## 3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this part of BS 8599, the following terms and definitions apply.

### 3.1 emergency dressing

absorbent wound contact pad attached to a bandage for use on lacerations and cuts to skin

[SOURCE: BS 8599-1:2011, 3.1]

### 3.2 first aid kit container

vessel used to hold first aid components, facilitating easy transportation and retrieval

*NOTE Typically this can be a box, case or bag.*

[SOURCE: BS 8599-1:2011, 3.2]

### 3.3 motorcycle

powered two or three wheeled motor vehicle whose weight does not exceed 400 kg