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1680.2 Part 2: (This will comprise a series of separate Standards covering specific interiors and activities)

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In the preparation of this Standard particular reference was made to the following publications:

*CIBS Code for Interior Lighting*, Chartered Institution of Building Services Engineers, London, 1984.

CIE Publication No 29.2, *Guide on Interior Lighting*, International Commission on Illumination, Vienna, 1986.

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The following are some of the more significant changes which have been made in comparison with AS 1680—1976:

- (a) The specification of lighting levels in terms of 'maintenance illuminance' rather than 'service illuminance'. This will facilitate assessment of compliance with the Standard at any time during the life of a lighting system. (See Clause 3.3.4 and Appendix D.)
- (b) Provision for a more comprehensive assessment of glare from electric lighting in terms of a calculated glare index for the interior. This is an alternative to the luminaire selection procedure (in terms of luminance limits and cut-off angles) similar to that specified in AS 1680—1976. (See Clause 8.4.)
- (c) A significant expansion of advice provided on the daylighting of buildings, including the integration of daylight and electric light, and on the effective use of energy. (See Clauses 10.2, 10.6 and 10.7.)
- (d) More detailed advice is given on light sources, luminaires and lighting control systems and factors which influence the choice of lighting system for a given application.
- (e) Inclusion of other useful advice and information for reference in the design, installation, operation and maintenance of interior lighting.

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