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PREFACE

This Standard was prepared by the Joint Standards Australia/Standards New Zealand Committee CH/3 on Paints and Related Materials as a revision of the 1983 edition of AS 2633. The objective of this Standard is to provide guidance to those involved in the specification of colours.

Requirements for the specification of colours will vary depending on a number of factors, such as the degree of precision required and how the specification is to be applied. This Standard describes the various systems that are in use for specifying colours and includes specific recommendations to assist in the selection of an appropriate method. Guidance is also given on the specification of tolerances.

This edition has been substantially reviewed and rewritten and contains additional definitions and diagrams.

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