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This Standard was prepared by the Standards Australia Committee on Hospital Textiles and Textile Products as a result of requests from the health and laundry sectors of the community for a safe standard of quality and to facilitate standardization of these items across Australia. Agreement has been reached as to the best materials, shapes, sizes and colour of the drapes, and the composition and layout of theatre pre-packs.

In order to minimize the risks of cross-infection, emphasis has been placed on linen quality and the criteria for inspection and acceptability of defects.

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- Part 1: *Textiles for health care facilities and institutions—General ward linen* (published as AS 3789.1—1991)
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