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This Standard represents a further development of the philosophy and procedures adopted in the previous edition. The test method also follows the basic principles and procedures contained in ISO 834, *Fire-resistance tests—Elements of building construction*. Relatively minor departures from the ISO recommendations have been made only where specific performance requirements for elements of building construction have been traditionally acceptable in Australia.

It is intended, however, that the next edition will further address minor variances between this Standard, ISO 834 and other national Standards.

This edition further addresses the subject of incipient spread of fire, and excludes from consideration certain materials with a thin surface finish of not greater than 1 mm thick.

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