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and airconditioning**

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## PREFACE

This Standard was prepared by Standards Australia Committee ME-080, Air Filters, to supersede AS 1324.1—1996.

This Standard forms Part 1 of a two-part series of Standards, which addresses general air filters. Part 2 of the series covers the methods of test for such air filters.

The classification system given in this Standard has been generally adopted from EN 779, *Particulate air filters for general ventilation—Requirements, testing, marking*.

The term ‘informative’ has been used in this Standard to define the application of the appendix to which it applies. An ‘informative’ appendix is only for information and guidance.

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## SECTION 1 SCOPE AND GENERAL

**1.1 SCOPE**

This Standard sets out requirements for the performance and construction of air filters for use in general ventilation and airconditioning systems. It classifies air filters on the basis of design, construction, performance and application, and establishes minimum criteria for acceptance of an air filter into a particular category.

## NOTES:

- 1 HEPA filters are specified in AS 4260.
- 2 Alternative means for demonstrating compliance with this Standard are given in Appendix A.

**1.2 REFERENCED DOCUMENTS**

The following documents are referred to in this Standard:

## AS

1199	Sampling procedures and tables for inspection by attributes
1324	Air filters for use in general ventilation and airconditioning
1324.2	Part 2: Methods of test
1399	Guide to AS 1199—Sampling procedures and tables for inspection by attributes
4260	High efficiency particulate air (HEPA) filters—Classification, construction and performance

## AS/NZS

1668	The use of ventilation and airconditioning in buildings
1668.1	Part 1: Fire and smoke control

ISO 9001	Quality management systems—Requirements
ISO 9004	Quality management systems—Guidelines for performance requirements

## SAI

HB18	Guidelines for third-party certification and accreditation
HB18.28	Guide 28—General rules for a model third-party certification scheme for products

## EN

779	Particulate air filters for general ventilation—Requirements, testing, marking
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## ANSI

ASHRAE 52	Gravimetric and dust-spot procedures for testing air-cleaning devices used in general ventilation for removing particulate matter
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