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**Retroreflective materials and devices for
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**Part 2: Retroreflective devices
(non-pavement application)**



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PREFACE

This Standard was prepared by the Joint Australia/New Zealand Committee MS-049, Retroreflective Devices and supersedes AS 1906.2—1981, *Retroreflective materials and devices for road traffic control purposes, Part 2: Retroreflective devices (non-pavement application)* and AS 2445.2—1981, *Methods of sampling and testing retroreflective materials and devices for road traffic control purposes, Part 2: Retroreflective devices (non-pavement application)*.

It is one of a series of Standards on retroreflective devices as follows:

AS/NZS

1906	Retroreflective materials and devices for road traffic control purposes
1906.1	Part 1: Retroreflective sheeting
1906.2	Part 2: Retroreflective devices (non-pavement application) (this Standard)
1906.4	Part 4: High visibility materials for safety garments

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1906	Retroreflective materials and devices for road traffic control purposes
1906.3	Part 3: Raised pavement markers (retroreflective and non-retroreflective)

The objective of this Standard is to provide road authorities, manufacturers and testing authorities with a uniform supply specification for retroreflective devices.

The following are the principal changes and additions to this edition:

- (a) Provision for delineators to be made from Class 1A retroreflective sheeting as an alternative to discrete device retroreflectors.
- (b) Greater flexibility in the physical size and shape of retroreflectors.
- (c) Durability exposure to be determined in terms of received radiant energy rather than fixed exposure time.
- (d) Reference to sign buttons deleted.

The terms 'normative' and 'informative' have been used in this Standard to define the application of the appendix to which they apply. A 'normative' appendix is an integral part of a Standard, whereas an 'informative' appendix is only for information and guidance.

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SECTION 1 SCOPE AND GENERAL

1.1 SCOPE

This Standard specifies performance requirements for retroreflective devices (known as 'retroreflectors') intended for use as roadside delineators for mounting above the pavement, e.g. on posts. Test methods are given in appendices and by reference to AS/NZS 1906.1.

1.2 REFERENCED DOCUMENTS

The following documents are referred to in this Standard:

AS/NZS

1906 Retroreflective materials and devices for road traffic control purposes

1906.1 Part 1: Retroreflective sheeting

1.3 DEFINITIONS

For the purpose of this Standard, the definitions given in AS/NZS 1906.1 apply.

1.4 DESCRIPTION

A retroreflector of the type specified in this Standard is a device which is effectively a point source of light when viewed under retroreflected light at normal night-time highway viewing distances. It may be manufactured as a discrete device or comprise an area of retroreflective sheeting with specified dimensional limits as follows:

- (a) *Retroreflector—discrete device type* Any retroreflective device (generally other than a sheeting type as described in Item (b)) whose photometric performance (CIL) is measured and specified as a discrete device, i.e. in cd.lx^{-1} . Requirements are specified in Section 2.

NOTE: A typical discrete device type retroreflector comprises a rigid plastic device relying on integrally moulded cube corners for retroreflection.

- (b) *Retroreflector—sheeting type* A relatively small piece of retroreflective sheeting which may or may not be attached to a rigid substrate, whose photometric performance CIL/m^2 is measured and specified as for sheeting, i.e. in $\text{cd.lx}^{-1}.\text{m}^{-2}$, but whose dimensional limits, both lower and upper, may be specified. Requirements are specified in Section 3.