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PREFACE

This Standard was prepared by the Joint Standards Australia/Standards New Zealand Committee ME-004, Lift Installations, to supersede AS 1735.5—2001, *Lifts, escalators and moving walks*, Part 5: *Escalators and moving walks*.

After consultation with stakeholders in both countries, Standards Australia/Standards New Zealand decided to develop this Standard as an Australian Standard rather than an Australian/New Zealand Standard.

The objective of this Standard is to provide requirements for electric escalators and moving walks that carry passengers.

The objective of this edition is to accommodate additional safety requirements in relation to step demarcation adjacent to balustrades and to revise the requirements for combplate switch. This edition also incorporates Amendment No.1 (October 2002).

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HD 21	Polyvinyl chloride insulated cables of rated voltages up to and including 450/750 V— Part 5: Flexible cables (cords)	AS/NZS 3141	Approval and test specification— Electric flexible cords
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INTRODUCTION

0 Introduction

The purpose of this standard is to define safety rules for escalators and passenger conveyors in order to safeguard people and objects against risks of accidents during maintenance and inspection work.

0.1 It is necessary that all components:

0.1.1 are properly dimensioned, of sound mechanical and electrical construction and made of material with adequate strength and of suitable quality and free from defects; the use of materials with asbestos is not permitted;

0.1.2 are kept in good repair and working order. In particular, care shall be taken that the dimensions indicated are maintained despite wear; if necessary, the worn parts shall be replaced.

0.2 Where, for elucidation of the text, an example is given, this shall not be considered as the only possible design. Any other solution leading to the same result is permissible if it is guaranteed that with an equivalent function the same safety level exists.

0.3 It is not the purpose of this standard to preclude new developments of escalators and passenger conveyors. A new design shall meet at least the safety requirements of this standard.

0.4 Certain escalators and passenger conveyors are subject to special operational conditions. For these cases some additional requirements are defined, marked in this standard with the note 'For Public Service Escalators and Public Service Passenger Conveyors'. Additional recommendations for that kind of escalator and passenger conveyor are given in annex D (informative).

During the planning stage it should be specified if it will be a public service escalator or public service passenger conveyor (for criteria and definition see 3.9).

0.5 Special indications

0.5.1 Fire protection and building requirements differ from country to country and so far neither have been harmonized, either on the international level or in Europe.

Therefore, this standard cannot include specific requirements for fire protection and building requirements. However, it is recommended that as far as possible, escalators and passenger conveyors are made of materials that are not easy to ignite¹⁾.

0.5.2 If escalators or passenger conveyors have to be operated under special conditions, such as directly exposed to the weather or explosive atmosphere, or in exceptional cases serve as emergency exits, appropriate design criteria, components, materials and instructions for use shall be used that satisfy the particular conditions.

In addition, it is recommended that for escalators and passenger conveyors which otherwise would be exposed to weather conditions, the customer provides a roof and enclosure.

0.5.3 If, exceptionally, means of transportation, e.g. push chairs, luggage trolleys or baggage carts, shall be carried on escalators or passenger conveyors, special measures shall be agreed between the manufacturer of the escalator/passenger conveyor, the manufacturer of the means of transportation and the customer. Within those measures, care has to be taken that the conditions defined in 8.2.1 for the steps, pallets and the belt are observed when selecting the means of transportation. The measures to be taken are governed by very different conditions, which make a standardization within the scope of EN 115 impossible.

0.6 Requirements related to the life of the escalators and passenger conveyors are not included in this standard as they depend on the place of installation and customers' special specifications.

0.7 This standard has been drawn up taking into account in certain cases the imprudent act of the user. However, this standard takes into consideration proper use and not abuse.

0.8 An Interpretation Committee has been established to clarify, if necessary, the spirit in which the clauses of the standard have been drafted and to specify the requirements appropriate to particular cases.

¹⁾ 'not easy to ignite' equals 'schwer entflammbar' in German and 'difficilement inflammable' in French.

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Part 5:

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1 Scope

1.1 This standard is applicable for all new escalators and passenger conveyors (pallet or belt type).

1.2 Existing escalators and passenger conveyors are not subject to this standard. It is, however, recommended that they be adapted to this standard.

1.3 If some dimensions of this standard cannot be kept due to structural conditions in existing buildings, it has to be defined in the individual case which alternative requirements are necessary.

NOTE. In addition, see 0.5 and 0.6.

2 Normative references

This European Standard incorporates by dated or undated reference, provisions from other publications. These normative references are cited at the appropriate places in the text and the publications are listed hereafter. For dated references, subsequent amendments to or revisions of any of these publications apply to this European Standard only when incorporated in it by amendment or revision. For undated references, the latest edition of the publication referred to applies.

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		EN 60529	<i>Degrees of protection provided by enclosures (IP code)</i>
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prEN 1037	<i>Safety of machinery — Prevention of unexpected start-up</i>	IEC 326-1	<i>Printed boards — Part 1: General information for the specification writer</i>
prEN 60068-2-6	<i>Basic environmental testing procedures — Part 2: Tests; Test Fc and guidance: Vibration (sinusoidal)</i>	IEC 664-1	<i>Insulation co-ordination for equipment within low-voltage systems — Part 1: Principles, requirements and tests</i>