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**Metallic materials—Rockwell hardness test**

**Method 1: Test method (scales A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, K, N, T)**

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## NOTES

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## PREFACE

This Standard was prepared by Standards Australia Committee MT-006, Mechanical Testing of Metals to supersede AS 1815.1—2002, *Metallic materials—Rockwell hardness test*, Method 1: *Test method (scales A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, K, N, T)*

This Standard is based on but not equivalent to ISO 6508-1:2005, *Metallic materials—Rockwell hardness test*, Part 1: *Test method (scales A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, K, N, T)*. The scope of the current edition of ISO 6508-1 is limited to the use of tungsten balls when using the relevant hardness scales. In Australia, steel balls are still used so the Committee decided not to adopt the current edition of the ISO Standard.

This Standard considers hardmetal to be the standard for ball indenters but steel balls may still be used subject to agreement between the purchaser and the supplier. The difference in hardness and values when comparing hardmetal balls to steel balls is given in an appendix.

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This Standard is one of a series of Standards covering the range of tensile testing methods. The series comprises the following:

## AS

- 1815 Metallic materials—Rockwell hardness test
- 1815.1 Method 1: Test method (scales A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, K, N, T) (this Standard)
- 1815.2 Method 2: Verification and calibration of testing machines (scales A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, K, N, T)
- 1815.3 Method 3: Calibration of reference blocks (scales A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, K, N, T) (ISO 6508-3:2005, MOD)
- 1816 Metallic materials—Brinell hardness test
- 1816.1 Method 1: Test method (ISO 6506-1:2005, MOD)
- 1816.2 Method 2: Verification and calibration of testing machines
- 1816.3 Method 3: Calibration of reference blocks
- 1816.4 Method 4: Table of hardness values
- 1817 Metallic materials—Vickers hardness test
- 1817.1 Method 1: Test method (ISO 6507-1:1997, MOD)
- 1817.2 Method 2: Verification of testing machines
- 1817.3 Method 3: Calibration of reference blocks
- 5016 Metallic materials—Conversion of hardness values

Statements expressed in mandatory terms in footnotes to tables are deemed to be requirements of this Standard.

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, where an ‘informative’ appendix is only for information and guidance.