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## PREFACE

This Standard was prepared by the Joint Standards Australia/Standards New Zealand Committee MT-001, Iron and Steel, to supersede AS 1831—2002, *Ductile cast iron*.

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

This Standard is identical with, and has been reproduced from ISO 1083:2004, *Spheroidal graphite cast irons—Classification*.

The objective of this Standard is to specify grades of spheroidal graphite cast irons by mechanical properties.

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1830	Grey cast iron
1831	Ductile cast iron (this Standard)
1832	Malleable cast iron
1833	Austenitic cast iron
1982	Methods for the measurement of case depth in steels
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2074	Cast steels
4314	Founding—Patterns, pattern equipment and coreboxes for the production of sand moulds and sand cores
4738	Metal castings
4738.1	Part 1: Ferrous sand moulded
5049	Cast iron—Designation of microstructure of graphite
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148	Steel—Charpy impact test (V-notch)	1544	Methods for impact tests on metals
148-1	Part 1: Test method	1544.2	Method 2: Charpy V-notch test
148-2	Part 2: Verification of test machines		
148-3	Part 3: Preparation and characterization of Charpy V reference test pieces for verification of test machines		
945	Cast iron—Designation of microstructure of graphite	5049	Cast iron—Designation of microstructure of graphite
6506	Metallic materials—Brinell hardness test	1816	Metallic materials—Brinell hardness test
6506-1	Part 1: Test method	1816.1	Part 1: Test method (ISO 6506-1:1997, MOD)
6892	Metallic materials—Tensile testing at ambient temperature	1394	Metallic materials—Tensile testing at ambient temperature
TR 15931	Designation systems for cast irons and pig irons	4738	Metal castings
		4738.1	Part 1: Ferrous sand moulded

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## INTRODUCTION

The properties of spheroidal graphite cast irons depend on their structure.

The mechanical properties of the material can be evaluated on machined test pieces prepared from:

- separately cast samples;
- samples cast on to either the casting or the running system, hereafter referred to as cast-on sample;
- samples cut from a casting (only when an agreement is made between the manufacturer and the purchaser).

The material grade is defined by mechanical properties measured on machined test pieces prepared from separately cast samples, cast-on samples or samples cut from the casting, by agreement between the manufacturer and the purchaser.

If hardness is a requirement of the purchaser as being important for the application, then Annex E provides means for its determination.

It is well known that tensile properties and hardness of spheroidal graphite cast iron are interrelated. When considered by the purchaser as being important for the application, both tensile and hardness properties may be specified.

Some material grades may be suitable for pressure applications.

Further technical data on spheroidal graphite cast irons is given in Annexes C and G.



## AUSTRALIAN STANDARD

# Ductile cast iron

## 1 Scope

This International Standard defines the grades and the corresponding requirements for spheroidal graphite cast irons.

This International Standard specifies a classification based on mechanical properties measured on machined test pieces prepared either from:

- separately cast samples;
- cast-on samples;
- samples cut from a casting.

This International standard also specifies a classification as a function of hardness.

This International Standard does not apply to spheroidal graphite cast iron used for pipes, fittings and accessories which are specified in accordance with ISO 2531 and ISO 7186. It does not apply to highly alloyed (austenitic) spheroidal cast irons which are specified in accordance with ISO 2892. This International Standard does not apply to ausferritic cast irons which are specified in accordance with ISO 17804.

## 2 Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

ISO 148, *Steel — Charpy impact test (V-notch)*

ISO 945:1975, *Cast iron — Designation of microstructure of graphite*

ISO 6506-1, *Metallic materials — Brinell hardness test — Part 1: Test method*

ISO 6892, *Metallic materials — Tensile testing at ambient temperature*

ISO/TR 15931, *Designation system for cast irons and pig irons*

## 3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply.

### 3.1

#### **spheroidal graphite cast iron**

cast material, iron and carbon-based, the carbon being present mainly in the form of spheroidal graphite particles

NOTE Spheroidal graphite cast iron is also known as ductile iron, and less commonly as nodular iron.