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**Methods for destructive testing of welds in metal
Method 4.1: Nick-break test**

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NOTES

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PREFACE

This Standard was prepared by the Standards Australia Committee WD-006, Testing of Welds, to supersede AS 2205.4.1—1997.

The objective of this edition is to update the Standard and include editorial changes in accordance with current Standards Australia editorial policy.

METHOD

1 SCOPE

This Standard sets out a method for nick-break testing of a welded joint. The test aids in revealing the presence of imperfections, such as slag inclusions, lack of fusion and porosity in a butt weld.

2 REFERENCED DOCUMENT

The following document is referred to in this Standard:

AS

2205 Methods for destructive testing of welds in metal

2205.1 Method 1: General requirements for tests

3 PRINCIPLE

A test specimen is broken in a specified manner at a notch in the centre-line of the weld, and the fracture surface is visually examined for imperfections.

4 PREPARATION OF TEST SPECIMEN

The test specimen shall be prepared in accordance with the requirements of AS 2205.1 and the following:

- (a) The shape and dimensions of the test specimen and location of the saw cuts shall be in accordance with Figure 1. The dimension t shall be the full thickness of the plate.
- (b) The edges of the test specimen shall be cut transversely to the welded joint as shown in Figure 1 to a maximum depth of $0.15t$.
- (c) The reinforcement and penetration bead shall be left as welded.

5 PROCEDURE

The test specimen shall be broken along the centre-line of weld (as shown in Figure 1) by bending, blows or tensile loading.