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PREFACE

This Standard was prepared by the Joint Standards Australia/Standards New Zealand Committee TM-006, Timber Preservation and Durability, to supersede (in part), AS/NZS 1605:2000, *Methods for sampling and analysing timber preservatives and preservative-treated timber*.

The objective of this Standard is to set out a series of methods for sampling and analysing timber preservatives and preservative-treated timber.

This revision separates the current AS/NZS 1605 into a four-part series as follows:

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- 1605 Methods for sampling and analysing timber preservatives and preservative-treated timber
- 1605.1 Part 1: General requirements, sampling, and determination of sapwood and heartwood presence
- 1605.2 Part 2: Determination of preservative penetration by spot tests
- 1605.3 Part 3: Analysis methods for determination of preservative retention (this Standard)
- 1605.4 Part 4: Analysis methods for determination of preservative solution concentration

The preservatives approved for use and incorporated in the AS/NZS 1604 series are required to be accompanied by analytical methods for their determination, which are incorporated in the AS/NZS 1605 series.

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SECTION 1 SCOPE AND GENERAL

1.1 SCOPE

This Standard specifies the analysis methods for determining preservative retention in treated timber. The calculations necessary for determining compliance with the requirements specified in the AS/NZS 1604 series or the relevant Standard are outlined.

NOTE: The analytical methods given in this Standard are intended as referee methods for the estimation of timber preservatives. Alternative methods should be compared with methods presented in this Standard before being routinely used.

1.2 APPLICATION

This Standard should be read in conjunction with the AS/NZS 1604 series or the relevant Standard to which timber is claimed to have been treated, and AS/NZS 1605.1.

Methods for sampling and analysing timber preservatives and preservative-treated timber are categorized into the following Parts of the AS/NZS 1605 series, according to the general nature of the tests:

- (a) Sampling preservative liquids and preservative-treated timber Part 1.
- (b) Determination of the presence of sapwood and heartwood Part 1.
- (c) Determination of preservative penetration by spot tests Part 2.
- (d) Analysis of preservative retention Part 3.
- (e) Analysis of preservative solution concentration Part 4.

1.3 REFERENCED DOCUMENTS

The following documents are referred to in this Standard:

AS/NZS

1604 Specification for preservative treatment (all Parts)

1605 Methods for sampling and analysing timber preservatives and preservative-treated timber

1605.1 Part 1: General requirements, sampling, and determination of sapwood and heartwood presence

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