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PREFACE

This Standard was prepared by the Australian members of the Joint Standards Australia/Standards New Zealand Committee MT-001, Iron and Steel.

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This Standard is identical with, and has been reproduced from ISO 16112:2006, *Compacted (vermicular) graphite cast irons—Classification*.

The objective of this Standard is to specify five grades of compacted (vermicular) graphite cast irons which have been classified by mechanical properties.

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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	1391	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

This International Standard deals with the classification of compacted (vermicular) graphite cast irons (CGI), in accordance with the mechanical properties of the material.

The properties of compacted (vermicular) graphite cast irons depend on their graphite and matrix microstructure.

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

- separately cast samples,
- samples cast onto either the casting or the running system, hereafter referred to as cast-on samples, or
- 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.

Some material grades may be suitable for pressure applications.

Annex A (informative) gives typical properties for compacted (vermicular) graphite cast irons obtained in separately cast test bars.

Annex B (informative) gives information on a procedure to determine the graphite nodularity of the microstructure.

Annex C (informative) gives information on the influence of metallurgical variables on the machinability in compacted (vermicular) graphite cast irons.

Annex D (informative) provides information on properties and examples for typical applications of compacted (vermicular) graphite cast irons.

Annex E (informative) provides cross-references of ISO 16112 grade designations to other standard grades of compacted (vermicular) graphite cast iron

Documents used in the preparation of this International Standard are listed in the Bibliography for reference purposes.

AUSTRALIAN STANDARD

Compacted (vermicular) graphite cast irons—Classification**1 Scope**

This International Standard specifies five grades of compacted (vermicular) graphite cast irons.

This International Standard specifies five grades based on the minimum mechanical properties measured on machined test pieces prepared from

- separately cast samples,
- cast-on samples, or
- samples cut from a casting.

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 945, *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**compacted (vermicular) graphite cast iron**

cast material, iron and carbon based, the carbon being present mainly in the form of compacted (vermicular) graphite particles that appear vermicular on a two-dimensional plane of polish, the graphite particles being embedded in a matrix consisting of ferrite, ferrite/pearlite, or pearlite

3.2**graphite modification treatment**

process that brings the liquid iron into contact with a substance to produce graphite in the predominantly compacted (vermicular) form during solidification

3.3**relevant wall thickness**

section of the casting, agreed between the manufacturer and the purchaser, to which the determined mechanical properties shall apply

4 Designation

The material shall be designated according to ISO/TR 15931. The relevant designations are given in Tables 1 and 2.