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PREFACE

This Standard was prepared by the Standards Australia Committee CS-040 Babies' Dummies to supersede AS 2432—1991. This Standard aims to establish, through manufacturing requirements, a desirable level of inherent safety in babies' dummies.

This edition differs from the previous edition in that:

- (a) The off-set requirement in the shield template test has been removed.
- (b) The method of analysis for acid-soluble has been removed and replaced by a reference to AS/NZS ISO 8124.3.
- (c) The ambiguity of the test methods have been minimized.
- (d) The requirements concerning protruding components and the impact test have been harmonized with the European Standard, EN 1400-1.

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, whereas an 'informative' appendix is only for information and guidance.

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Australian Standard Babies' dummies

1 SCOPE

This Standard specifies safety requirements relating to the materials, design, construction and performance of babies' dummies, together with recommendations for product labelling.

2 APPLICATION

This Standard applies to all babies' dummies except those intended for use by premature babies, or for therapeutic applications or the like, in which the usage is under medical supervision or direction.

NOTE: Because of certain physical properties that are requirements of this Standard, e.g. the size of the shield, dummies complying with this Standard may not be suitable for use by small premature babies or babies that are being treated for cleft palate or other malformation. Consequently, a dummy that is intended for such an application is exempted from the requirements of this Standard. However, exempted dummies should comply with those requirements in this Standard that can be applied.

3 REFERENCED DOCUMENTS

The following documents are referred to in this Standard:

AS

2070 Plastics materials for food contact use

AS/NZS ISO

8124 Safety of toys

8124.3 Part 3: Migration of certain elements

4 DEFINITIONS

For the purpose of this Standard, the following definitions apply.

4.1 Dummy

A fully assembled article used to pacify a baby, which includes a teat that the baby sucks, but from which the baby does not obtain fluid.

NOTE: Babies' dummies are also known as 'pacifiers' or 'soothers'.

4.2 Plastics material

A material based on synthetic polymers or modified natural polymers that, during manufacture, may be formed to shape by flow, aided in many cases by heat and pressure, but which cannot be substantially deformed by a weak force and does not rapidly return approximately to its initial dimensions and shape, after release of the force.

4.3 Plug

A structure inserted within the neck of the teat to attach the teat firmly to the shield.