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Method 4.4: Physical tests—Assessment of intensity of shot-peening

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## NOTES

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#### 1 SCOPE

This Standard sets out a method for assessing the intensity of shot-peening.

Shot-peening is applied to steels prior to electroplating in cases where they cannot be heat-treated in the temperature range of 400°C to 480°C without loss of temper. Items to be chromium plated are also shot-peened in cases where a drop-off in hardness of chromium, as a result of heat treatment to prevent hydrogen embrittlement, cannot be tolerated.

The method is used to assess that the correct profile height of peening has been obtained prior to plating.

#### 2 REFERENCED DOCUMENTS

The following documents are referred to in this Standard:

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1447	Hot-rolled spring steels
1817	Metallic materials—Vickers hardness test

#### 3 PRINCIPLE

Standard steel test panels are shot-peened under known conditions. The resultant profile height is measured by means of a depth gauge. Peening conditions are modified until the correct profile height has been obtained.

#### 4 APPARATUS

The following apparatus is required:

- (a) Shot-peening apparatus.
- (b) Shot-peening fixture (see Figure 1).
- (c) Cut wire or round shot-peening medium.
- (d) Carbon steel test panels conforming to AS 1447, Grade K1070S. The nominal thickness of test panels shall be 1.4 mm and the hardness shall be within 400 HV to 500 HV, when determined in accordance with AS 1817.

NOTE: Steel strip complying with the above chemical composition and hardness is commercially available in Australia. If the steel is in the spheroidized condition, oil quenching from 820°C to 830°C, followed by tempering at 420°C to 430°C, should achieve the specified hardness range.