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Preface

This Standard was prepared by the Joint Standards Australia/Standards New Zealand Committee BD-011, Interior Board Linings, to supersede AS/NZS 2588:1998.

The objective of this Standard is to provide manufacturers of gypsum plasterboard with specifications for the manufacture and performance of plasterboard used in domestic, commercial and industrial applications. This Standard also provides a reference for the building industry and specifiers.

The changes in this edition are as follows:

- (a) Minor changes to wording in Preface and [Clause 9.2.2](#).
- (b) Standardize and align the nominal thicknesses of gypsum plasterboard as adopted by the Australian and New Zealand construction industries.

NOTE See [Clause 6.1](#) and [Table 1](#).

- (c) Corrections to a heading in [Table 3](#).
- (d) Amendments to [Appendices D](#), [E](#) and [F](#) aimed at simplifying the test method and improving reliability.
- (e) New test methods for water-resistant grade plasterboard in [Appendices H](#) and [I](#) aimed at simplifying ongoing maintenance of the Standard.

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.