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PREFACE

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It is one of a series of Standards which, when complete, will comprise:

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- 4386 Domestic kitchen assemblies
- 4386.1 Part 1: Kitchen units (this Standard)
- 4386.2 Part 2: Installation

These Standards are to be used in conjunction with the series of test methods for domestic kitchen assemblies which, when complete, will comprise:

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4387	Domestic ki	tchen assemblies—Methods of test
4387.0	Part 0:	Introduction, list of methods and general requirements
4387.1	Method 1:	Determination of strength of carcass and underframe
4387.2	Method 2:	Determination of shelf deflection
4387.3	Method 3:	Determination of strength of shelf supports
4387.4	Method 4:	Determination of the strength of worktops and bottom surfaces
4387.5	Method 5:	Determination of strength of hinged doors
4387.6	Method 6:	Determination of slam open of hinged doors
4387.7	Method 7:	Determination of slam shut of hinged doors
4387.8	Method 8:	Determination of wear and fatigue of hinged doors
4387.9	Method 9:	Determination of resistance to downward static load on drawers
		and other runner-supported items
4387.10	Method 10:	Determination of slam open of drawers
4387.11	Method 11:	Determination of slam shut of drawers
4387.12	Method 12:	Determination of retention of the bottom surface of drawers
4387.13	Method 13:	Determination of wear and fatigue of drawers, sliding shelves and
		runners
4387.14	Method 14:	Determination of strength of handles
4387.15	Method 15:	Determination of the strength of support frames for wall
		attachment devices
4387.16	Method 16:	Determination of calibration of drawer slamming apparatus

The purpose of standardization of kitchen equipment is to allow components to be combined in arrangements which are harmonious and rational, with due account being taken of ergonomic and economic considerations.

The following aspects have to be considered:

- (a) The sizes of component parts.
- (b) The specific areas of each item of equipment, taking into account the possibility of their complete or partial overlapping.
- (c) The location of services (e.g. water, gas, drainage, electricity).
- (d) The combinations of components.

This Standard has been prepared according to the principles of the modular coordination of domestic kitchen assemblies.

This Standard recommends sizes for accommodating kitchen equipment in domestic dwellings.

Where mandatory notes to tables are used in this Standard, they are deemed to form an integral part of the Standard.

The term 'informative' has been used in this Standard to define the application of the appendix to which it applies. An 'informative' appendix is only for information and guidance.

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Part 1: Kitchen units

1 SCOPE This Standard specifies the minimum requirements for the construction, durability, safety, ergonomics, strength, coordination of services and choice of components of fitted kitchen assemblies for use in domestic applications. This Standard is also applicable to small offices, holiday apartments, units and similar non-commercial applications. It is designed for use by manufacturers, builders, consumers, specifiers and regulatory authorities.

NOTES:

- 1 Alternative methods for determining compliance with this Standard are given in Appendix A.
- 2 Appendix B includes details for the ergonomic considerations of kitchen designs.
- 3 For kitchen units for people with disabilities, users of this Standard should also consult AS 1428.2 and AS 4299.
- 4 This Standard is primarily intended for Class 1, 2, 3 and a Class 4 part building as defined in the Building Code of Australia (BCA), but may also include Class 5 and 6.
- **2 APPLICATION** This Standard applies to kitchen units, hardware and materials, as elements of kitchen assemblies.

This Standard covers dimensions for unit/assembly heights, widths and depths as well as space requirements for units, appliances and fittings in order to ensure that they fit together as elements of a kitchen assembly.

3 REFERENCED DOCUMENTS The following documents are referred to in this Standard:

AS				
1199	Sampling procedures and tables for inspection by attributes			
1399	Guide to AS 1199—Sampling procedures and tables for inspection by attributes			
1428 1428.2	Design for access and mobility Part 2: Enhanced and additional requirements—Buildings and facilities			
1939	Degrees of protection provided by enclosures for electrical equipment (IP Code)			
2131	Adhesives—For bonding decorative thermoset laminates (contact adhesives)			
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2754 2754.1 2754.2	Adhesives for timber and timber products Part 1: Adhesives for plywood manufacture Part 2: Polymer emulsion adhesives			
2924	Decorative thermosetting laminated sheet			
3137	Approval and test specification — Luminaires (lighting fittings)			
4299	Adaptable housing			



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