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This Standard was prepared by the Joint Standards Australia/Standards New Zealand Committee ME/4, Lift Installations, to supersede AS 1735.12—1994.

This Standard is the result of a consensus among Australian and New Zealand representatives on the Joint Committee to produce it as an Australian Standard.

This edition includes technical changes to render the Standard applicable to public buildings only, and compatible with the Building Code of Australia.

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SECTION 1 SCOPE AND GENERAL

1.1 SCOPE

This Standard sets out requirements for facilities in passenger lifts that are specifically designed to assist persons with disabilities. It is complementary to AS 1735.1, AS 1735.2 and AS 1735.3.

Where any conflict arises between Parts of AS 1735, the provisions of this Part shall take precedence.

1.1 APPLICATION

1.1.1 General

This Standard applies to newly installed lifts in the public access path, in newly constructed lift wells in other than private residences, and for which a building authority having jurisdiction stipulates the provision of facilities for persons with disabilities.

1.1.2 Building Code of Australia

This Standard will be referenced in the Building Code of Australia (BCA) by way of BCA Amendment No 5 to be published by 1 July 1999, thereby superseding the previous edition, AS 1735.12—1994, which will be withdrawn 12 months from the date of the publication of this edition.

1.2 REFERENCED DOCUMENTS

The following documents are referred to in this Standard:

| AS 1259 1259.1 | Acoustics—Sound level meters Part 1: Non-integrating |
|------------------------------------|---|
| 1735 1735.1 1735.2 1735.3 | Lifts, escalators and moving walks Part 1: General requirements Part 2: Passenger and goods lifts—Electric Part 3: Passenger and goods lifts—Electrohydraulic |
| 2659 2659.1 | Guide to the use of sound measuring equipment Part 1: Portable sound level meters |
| AS/NZS 1680 1680.0 | Interior lighting Part 0: Safe movement |

1.3 DEFINITIONS

For the purpose of this Standard, the definitions in AS 1735.1 apply.



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