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## PREFACE

This Standard was prepared by the Joint Standards Australia/Standards New Zealand Committee MT-001, Iron and Steel, to upgrade the requirements of AS 1397—1993. It now includes requirements for differential coatings.

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

In this edition, the zinc and aluminium/zinc-alloy coating designations align with those adopted in the following international Standards:

### ISO

- 3575:1996 Continuous hot-dip zinc-coated carbon steel sheet of commercial, lock-forming and drawing qualities
- 4998:1996 Continuous hot-dip zinc-coated carbon steel sheet of structural quality
- 9364:1991 Continuous hot-dip aluminium/zinc-coated steel sheet of commercial, lock-forming and structural qualities

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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## STANDARDS AUSTRALIA

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## SECTION 1 SCOPE AND GENERAL

**1.1 SCOPE**

This Standard specifies requirements for hot-dip zinc-coated or aluminium/zinc-coated steel sheet and strip, supplied in thicknesses up to and including 5.0 mm.

This Standard specifies requirements for steel grades, coating classes and surface finish, as follows:

- (a) Formability grades of steel.
- (b) Structural grades of steel.
- (c) Classes of zinc coating, including differential coatings.
- (d) Classes of zinc coating converted to zinc/iron alloy.
- (e) Classes of aluminium/zinc alloy coating.
- (f) Surface finish.

## NOTES:

- 1 Advice and recommendations on information to be supplied by the purchaser at the time of enquiry or order are contained in Appendix A.
- 2 Alternative means for determining compliance with this Standard are given in Appendix B.
- 3 The specified requirements apply to the full length and full width of the product supplied, unless otherwise indicated.

**1.2 REFERENCED DOCUMENTS**

The following documents are referred to in this Standard:

## AS

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|----------|--|
| 1199     | Sampling procedures and tables for inspection by attributes                  |
| 1391     | Methods for tensile testing of metals  |
| 1399     | Guide to AS 1199—Sampling procedures and tables for inspection by attributes |
| 2331     | Methods of test for metallic and related coatings—Average thickness tests    |
| 2331.2.1 | Method 2.1: Dissolution methods—Strip and weight, and analytical             |
| 2331.2.3 | Method 2.3: Hydrogen evolution method for zinc coatings                      |
| 2505     | Methods for bend and related testing of metals                               |
| 2505.1   | Part 1: Sheet, strip and plate   |
| 2706     | Numerical values—Rounding and interpretation of limiting values              |

## AS/NZS

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| 1050 | Methods for the analysis of iron and steel (all parts) |
| 1365 | Tolerances for flat-rolled steel products              |



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