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It is one of a series of Standards for components that are used in lifting systems. Standards for other components are listed below.

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- 1138 Thimbles for use with wire rope or fibre (natural or synthetic) rope
- 1353 Flat synthetic-webbing slings
- 1353.1 Part 1: Product specification
- 1353.2 Part 2: Care and use
- 1380 Fibre-rope slings (of natural or synthetic rope)
- 1438 Wire-coil flat slings
- 1504 Fibre rope—Three-strand, hawser laid
- 1666 Wire-rope slings
- 1752 Fibre rope—Eight-strand plaited
- 2076 Wire rope grips
- 2089 Sheave blocks (including ships' cargo blocks) of maximum lift 60 t
- 2317 Collared eyebolts
- 2318 Swivels for hoists
- 2319 Rigging screws and turnbuckles
- 2321 Short-link chain for lifting purposes (non-calibrated)
- 2740 Wedge-type sockets
- 2741 Shackles
- 2759 Steel wire rope—Application guide
- 2841 Galvanized steel wire strand
- 3569 Steel wire ropes
- 3585 End fittings for flat-webbing slings
- 3775 Chain slings—Grade T
- 3777 Shank hooks and large-eye hooks—Maximum 25 t
- B291 Lifting rings and links

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FOREWORD

The lifting components specified in this Standard are normally supplied to sling manufacturers or as part of a sling system, but they may also be supplied separately for other applications.

In any lifting, tensioning, or staying system, the safe working load of each component shall take account of the conditions of use and be compatible with any loads inherent in, and applied to, the system, and each component should readily connect with each adjacent component. Therefore, it is important that components of lifting, tensioning, or staying systems be quickly and positively identified in service for size, lifting capacity, and quality grade.

The quality grading system in this Standard is the same as that used by other Australian Standards covering components in lifting, tensioning, and staying systems. It allows for positive identification and easy selection, and relates to the mechanical properties of the finished product and not simply to the strength of the material.

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Australian Standard Lifting components for Grade T chain slings

1 SCOPE. This Standard specifies requirements for forged lifting components for use in chain sling assemblies with corresponding sizes of Grade T chain complying with AS 2321. The components include hooks with eyes, clevises and other joining devices, mechanical connecting devices, and any other terminal fittings used in a lifting system based on Grade T chain.

This Standard does not apply to welded components other than welded master links, welded multilink assemblies, welded joining links, or components subject to an existing Australian Standard.

NOTES:

- 1. AS 2321 specifies chain in terms of the ISO quality grade designation system. The ISO system also permits Grade T to be designated as Grade 8.
- 2. Guidance on information that should be supplied with enquiries and orders is given in Appendix A.

2 **REFERENCED DOCUMENTS.** The following documents are referred to in this Standard:

AS

- 1065 Non-destructive testing—Ultrasonic testing of carbon and low alloy steel forgings
- 1171 Methods for magnetic particle testing of ferromagnetic products and components
- 1199 Sampling procedures and tables for inspection by attributes
- 1399 Guide to AS 1199—Sampling procedures and tables for inspection by attributes
- 1418 SAA Crane Code
- 1418.1 Part 1: General requirements
- 1444 Wrought alloy steels—Standard and hardenability (H) Series
- 1627 Metal finishing—Preparation and pretreatment of surfaces
- 1627.0 Part 0: Method selection guide for preparation and pretreatment of steel surfaces
- 1816 Method for Brinell hardness test
- 1816.1 Part 1: Testing of metals
- 2193 Methods of calibration and grading of force-measuring systems of testing machines
- 2321 Short link chain for lifting purposes (non-calibrated)
- 3775 Chain slings—Grade T
- 3777 Shank hooks and large eye hooks—Maximum 25 t
- 3900 Quality systems—Guide to selection and use
- 3904 Quality systems—Guide to quality management and quality system elements

ISO

Guide 44 General rules for ISO and IEC international third-party certification schemes for products

3 DEFINITIONS. For the purpose of this Standard, the definitions below apply.

3.1 Competent person—a person having practical and theoretical knowledge and relevant experience, such as will enable that person to detect and evaluate any defects and any weaknesses that may affect the intended performance of the equipment.

3.2 Self-coloured—a surface colour of closely adhering brown/blue oxides resulting from heat treatment and subsequent handling during manufacture.

3.3 Shall—indicates that a statement is mandatory.

3.4 Should—indicates a recommendation.

3.5 Statutory Authority—an authority with statutory powers to control the use of lifting components.

3.6 Working load.

3.6.1 Working load limit (WLL)—the maximum load that may be applied to the lifting component, in tension as intended, under general conditions of use.

3.6.2 Safe working load (SWL)—the maximum load that may be applied to the lifting component under the particular conditions of use (see Appendix B).

3.7 Nominal size (of lifting component)—equal to the nominal size of compatible Grade T chain complying with AS 2321 (see Table C1 of Appendix C).