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**Part 1: Heat detectors**

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## PREFACE

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The various components of automatic fire detection and alarm systems are being specified in the AS 1603 series of Standards.

Specifications for the design, installation and maintenance of equipment for fire detection and alarm systems and the testing of actuating devices are given in the following Standards:

AS

- 1670 Automatic fire detection and alarm systems—System design, installation and commissioning
- 1851 Maintenance of fire protection equipment
- 1851.8 Part 8: Automatic fire detection and alarm systems
- 2362 Automatic fire detection and alarm systems—Methods of test for actuating devices

The objective of this Standard is to provide designers and manufacturers of detectors and alarm systems with requirements for the design, construction and performance of heat detectors.

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## Automatic fire detection and alarm systems

## Part 1: Heat detectors

## SECTION 1 SCOPE AND GENERAL

**1.1 SCOPE** This Standard specifies requirements for the design, construction and performance of heat detectors as used in automatic fire detection and alarm systems.

**1.2 APPLICATION** This Standard applies to heat detectors intended for installation in accordance with AS 1670, connected to compatible control and indicating equipment (CIE).

**1.3 CLASSIFICATION** Heat detectors shall be classified as follows:

- (a) Type A—normal temperature duty, incorporating both fixed temperature and rate-of-rise actuation, resetting or non-resetting.
- (b) Type B—normal temperature duty, fixed temperature actuation only, resetting or non-resetting.
- (c) Type C—high temperature duty, incorporating both fixed temperature and rate-of-rise actuation, resetting or non-resetting.
- (d) Type D—high temperature duty, fixed temperature actuation only, resetting or non-resetting.
- (e) Type E—special purpose fixed temperature, where Types A to D are not suitable.

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

## AS

1670	Automatic fire detection and alarm systems—System design, installation and commissioning
1939	Degrees of protection provided by enclosures for electrical equipment (IP Code)
2362	Automatic fire detection and alarm systems—Methods of test for actuating devices
2362.1	Method 1: Heat sensitivity testing of types A, B, C and D heat detectors
2362.2	Method 2: Heat sensitivity testing of type E heat detectors
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