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**RECONFIRMATION**  
**OF**  
**AS/NZS 1580.202.1:1995**  
**Paints and related materials—Methods of test**  
**Method 202.1: Density**

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## NOTES

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#### PREFACE

This Joint Standard was prepared by the Joint Standards Australia/Standards New Zealand Committee CH/3 on Paints and Related Materials to supersede the 1980 edition of AS 1580.202.1.

This Standard is essentially the same as the 1980 edition but has been reformatted for clarity and includes new precision data.

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#### METHOD

**1 SCOPE** This method sets out a procedure for determining the density of liquid paints not subject to foaming.

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

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1580 Paints and related materials—Methods of test

1580.102.1 Method 102.1: Sampling procedure

1580.103.1 Method 103.1: Preliminary examination and preparation for testing

**3 PRINCIPLE** A pycnometer of known volume is filled with a sample of liquid paint at a controlled temperature and weighed. The density is then determined by calculation.

#### 4 APPARATUS

**4.1 Pycnometer** A pycnometer having a minimum nominal volume of 50 mL, consisting of a cup of smoothly-finished corrosion-resistant material with a snug fitting cover having a small hole in its centre. The inside surface of the cover shall be concave. The pycnometer shall be calibrated so that its capacity at  $25.0 \pm 1^\circ\text{C}$  is known to within 0.1 percent.

**4.2 Balance** A balance accurate and readable to the nearest 10 mg.

**4.3 Thermometer** A thermometer capable of measuring  $25^\circ\text{C}$  to an accuracy of  $\pm 1^\circ\text{C}$  and graduated to  $1^\circ\text{C}$  or finer.

**5 TEST CONDITIONS** While the testing environment may be at ambient temperature, the temperature of the pycnometer and the paint shall be controlled at  $25.0 \pm 1^\circ\text{C}$ .