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Foreword

This Part of BS 1765 has been revised under the direction of the Health Care Standards Policy Committee. It supersedes BS 1765-1:1972 which is withdrawn.

The correct choice of lockers for use in hospital wards is important because the most suitable type not only increases the comfort and well being of patients but also the work of nursing staff and domestic staff.

No one type of locker meets the needs of all hospital patients but the types specified in this Part of BS 1765 are those most commonly required. The recommended principles to be taken into account in designing lockers are given in Appendix A. These recommendations will not only assist manufacturers to develop improved designs but will also assist Health Authorities to choose the types most suited to their needs.

Recommendations are given in Appendix B for the information a purchaser should supply with an enquiry or order.

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