

Specification for

Touring trailer caravans

Co-operating organizations

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- Association of Municipal Corporations
- Association of Public Health Inspectors
- Caravan Club
- Chief Fire Officers' Association
- Fibre Building Board Development Organization Limited
- Fire Protection Association
- Home Office — Fire Service Department
- Institution of Electrical Engineers
- Institution of Fire Engineers
- Ministry of Housing and Local Government
- Ministry of Technology — Joint Fire Research Organization
of the Ministry of Technology and Fire Offices Committee
- Ministry of Transport
- National Caravan Council Limited
- National Federation of Caravan Site Operators' Associations
- Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents
- Royal Society for the Promotion of Health
- Rural District Councils' Association
- Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders Limited
- Urban District Councils' Association
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Foreword

This standard makes reference to the following British Standards and Codes of Practice:

BS 476, *Fire tests on building materials and structures — Part 7: Surface spread of flame tests for materials*.

BS 1945, *Fireguards for heating appliances (gas electric and oil burning)*.

BS 2788, *Fireguards for solid fuel fires*.

BS 3140, *Nursery type fireguards suitable for use with solid fuel appliances*.

BS 4213, *Cold water storage cisterns (polyolefin or olefin copolymer) and cistern covers*.

BS 5264, *Glossary of caravan terms*.

BS 5482, *Code of practice for domestic butane- and propane-gas-burning installations — Part 2: Installations in caravans and non-permanent dwellings*.

BS 5601, *Code of practice for ventilation and heating of caravans — Part 1: Ventilation — Part 2: Installation of solid fuel fired heating appliances — Part 3: Installation of oil fired heating appliances*.

BS 6765, *Caravans — Part 4: Specification for undergear*.

BS AU 149, *7 pin plug and socket connector for caravans and trailers with 6 and 12 volt electrical systems*.

This British Standard is intended to assist users, manufacturers and others in assessing the capability and suitability of caravans for use on roads.

It is accepted that because a touring caravan's purpose is holiday or weekend recreational use the standard of accommodation with respect to floor area and maximum number of occupants need not be as high as for permanent residence, but in all aspects of safety and hygiene a high standard should be reached.

The importance of defining the static vertical load on the coupling, and the limits of this load, has been the subject of discussion by the technical committee. As the members of the technical committee were not unanimous in their views on the technical aspects it has been accepted that, until the results of research are known, the matter cannot be included in this standard.

This standard is expressed in metric and imperial units and either system may be used in order to comply with the standard.

NOTE The metric values are given in SI units. For further information reference should be made to BS 3763, "*International System (SI) units*" and PD 5686, "*The use of SI units*".

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