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Foreword

This Part of BS 6340 has been prepared under the direction of the Building Services Standards Committee and was initiated by the Consumer Standards Advisory Committee, a need for such a standard having been indicated by various interested organizations.

The use of a shower unit is now a widespread practice, and in many cases shower units can prove more convenient and economic than a bath. They also take up less space than conventional baths and are therefore beneficial in small flats or single person dwellings having limited floor area. They have special advantages for those who have difficulty in using a bath.

Shower unit components may be purchased as individual items (e.g. shower tray, mixer valve), as groups of items (e.g. all brassware), and as complete pre-packed units ready for installing into the building. As a shower unit comprises many different components the consumer needs guidance on their choice and installation to ensure that the unit, when installed, performs satisfactorily.

In view of this many-faceted situation this standard is being published in the following Parts:

- *Part 1: Guide on choice of shower units and their components for use in private dwellings;*
- *Part 2: Specification for components for shower units and their installation;*
- *Part 3: Specification for prefabricated shower enclosures;*
- *Part 4: Specification for shower heads;*
- *Part 5: Specification for prefabricated shower trays made from acrylic material;*
- *Part 6: Specification for prefabricated shower trays made from porcelain enamelled cast iron;*
- *Part 7: Specification for prefabricated shower trays made from vitreous enamelled sheet steel;*
- *Part 8: Specification for prefabricated shower trays made from glazed ceramic.*

Components and installations that are not specific to shower units are covered in many other British Standards and these are referenced in this Part of this standard. Reference is made in this standard to a number of British Standards which at the time of publication of this Part were still in draft form. As these documents are published, amendments will be issued giving the appropriate cross-references. In the meantime the purchaser should seek the advice of the manufacturer or installer on the topics not yet covered, in order to achieve an acceptable installation.

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