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Part 1: Specification for Latin alphabet No. 1

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National foreword

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ISO 8859-3 Latin alphabet No. 3	(Afrikaans, Catalan, Dutch, English, Esperanto, German, Italian, Maltese, Spanish and Turkish)
ISO 8859-4 Latin alphabet No. 4	(Danish, English, Estonian, Finnish, German, Greenlandic, Lappish, Latvian, Lithuanian, Swedish and Norwegian)
ISO 8859-5 Latin/Cyrillic alphabet	
ISO 8859-6 Latin/Arabic alphabet	
ISO 8859-7 Latin/Greek alphabet	
ISO 8859-8 Latin/Hebrew alphabet	
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This British Standard specifies 191 characters that form a subset of the repertoire of graphic characters of BS 6692-2.

Cross-references

International Standard	Corresponding British Standard
ISO 646:1983	BS 4730:1985 <i>Specification for UK 7-bit coded character set</i> (Identical exercising national options)
ISO 2022:1986	BS 6856:1987 <i>Specification for code extension techniques for United Kingdom 7-bit and 8-bit coded character sets</i> (Identical)
ISO 4873:1986	BS 6006:1987 <i>Specification for structure and rules for implementation of United Kingdom 8-bit coded character set</i> (Identical)
ISO 6429:1988	BS 7204:1989 <i>Specification for control functions for ISO 7-bit and 8-bit coded character sets</i> (Identical)
ISO 6937-2:1983	BS 6692 <i>Coded character sets for text communication</i> Part 2:1986 <i>Specification for Latin alphabetic and non-alphabetic graphic characters</i> (Identical)

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