

Lifejackets

Part 2: Materials and components— Requirements and test methods



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PREFACE

This Standard was prepared by the Australian members of Joint Standards Australia/Standards New Zealand Committee CS-060, Lifejackets and Personal Safety Equipment for Small Craft, to supersede AS 4758.2—2008, Personal flotation devices, Part 2: Materials and components—Requirements and test methods, 2 years from the date of publication.

After consultation with stakeholders in both countries, Standards Australia and Standards New Zealand decided to develop this Standard as an Australian Standard rather than an Australian/New Zealand Standard.

The objective of this Standard is to provide manufacturers with the requirements and test methods for the materials and components for use in the construction of lifejackets [also known as 'personal flotation devices' (PFDs)].

This Standard was revised to include requirements for:

- (a) Inflation indicators.
- (b) Gas cylinders.
- (c) Changes from personal floatation device to lifejacket.

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