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## **Foreword**

This Singapore Standard was prepared by the Technical Committee on Surface Coatings under the purview of CSC.

This standard is a revision of SS 7 : 1998. The key changes in the revised edition are as follows:

- a) Added Clause 2 on Normative references;
- b) Replaced withdrawn test methods such as SS 5 Part D3, SS 5 Part G9 and SS 269;
- c) Reduced lead content requirement;
- d) Replaced hard-drying time requirement with through-dry time requirement;
- e) Replaced test methods of hard-drying time, fastness to light and accelerated weathering.

In preparing this standard, reference was made to "Federal Specification TT-E-491C : 1977 "Enamel : gloss, synthetic (for metal and wood, hospital furniture)". Acknowledgement is made for the use of information from the above publication.

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### 1 Scope

This specification applies to an air-drying gloss paint for use on primed interior and exterior wood and metal surfaces.

### 2 Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application of this standard. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

BS 4800	Schedule of paints colours for building purposes
SS 5	Methods of test for paints, varnishes and related materials
	Part A1 : Sampling
	Part A2 : Examination and preparation of samples for testing
	Part B2 : Determination of non-volatile matter content
	Part B3 : Determination of water by the Dean and Stark method
	Part B4 : Condition in container
	Part B5 : Skinning (partially filled container)
	Part B6 : Storage stability (filled container)
	Part B7 : Density
	Part B8 : Reducibility and dilution stability
	Part B9 : Brushing properties
	Part B10 : Spraying properties
	Part B12 : Consistency of paints using the Stormer viscometer
	Part B13 : Fineness of grind
	Part B15 : Determination of flash point – Closed cup equilibrium method
	Part C6 : Determination of low concentrations of lead, cadmium and cobalt in paint by atomic absorption spectroscopy
	Part D1 : Wet edge time
	Part D2 : Surface drying time (ballotini method)
	Part D5 : Determination of through-dry state and through-dry time
	Part E1 : Determination of gloss value at 20°, 60° and 85°
	Part E2 : Determination of contrast ratio (opacity) of light-coloured paints at a fixed spreading rate
	Part E3 : Visual comparison of the colours of paints
	Part F1 : Bend test (cylindrical mandrel)



Part F2 : Scratch test

Part G11 : 2021 Methods of exposure to laboratory light sources — General guidance

Part G12 : 2021 Methods of exposure to laboratory light sources — Xenon-arc lamps

SS 88 Minerals solvents (white spirit and related hydrocarbon solvents) for paints and other purposes