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Scope

This Standard specifies requirements for the design and protection of structures or structural members made by cold-forming carbon and low alloy steel strip or sheet. The Standard is intended to supplement AS 1250-1981.

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