# Approval and test specification—Plugs and socket-outlets Amendment No. 1

## **Revised text amendment**

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## **Summary**

This Amendment applies to the following elements:

- Preface
- Clauses 1.1, 1.2.2, 1.2.3, 1.4.15, 3.1.2, 3.8.2, 3.9, 3.9.1, 3.9.2, 3.14.2, 3.14.10.2, 3.14.12.1
- · Appendices H and J

#### **Amendment Details**

AS/NZS 3112:2017 is amended as follows. The amendments should be inserted in the locations as instructed.

Element	Instruction/New text	
Preface	1	Delete the second paragraph and replace with the following:
		AS/NZS 3112:2017 in its unamended form will also remain current for 9 months from the date of publication of this document. After this time, it will be superseded by AS/NZS 3112:2017 incorporating Amendment 1. Regulatory authorities that reference this Standard in regulation may apply these requirements at a different time. Users of this Standard should consult with these authorities to confirm their requirements.
	2	Third paragraph, third line, <i>delete</i> 'plugs and socket-outlets' and <i>replace</i> with 'plugs, socket outlets or plug portions.'
	3	Fifth paragraph, second line, <i>delete</i> 'plugs and socket-outlets' and <i>replace</i> with 'plugs, socket outlets or plug portions,'.
Cl 1.1	Delete the first paragraph and replace with the following:	
	as def	Standard specifies essential safety requirements for plugs and socket-outlets, fined in Clause 1.4, plug portions, as defined in Paragraph J2, and equipment porating plug portions, intended for use at a rated voltage not exceeding 500 V rated current not exceeding 32 A for household or similar purposes.
Cl 1.2.2	1	Add the following after the second paragraph:
		For extra low voltage plugs and socket-outlets, refer to Appendix E.
	2	Delete the last paragraph and replace with the following:
		For plug portions and equipment incorporating plug portions, refer to Appendix J.
Cl 1.2.3	Delete clause.	
Cl 1.4.15 (new)	Add the following:	





### Element Instruction/New text

#### 1.4.15 Pitch diameter (PD)

The simple effective diameter of screw thread, approximately halfway between the major and minor diameters.

The pitch diameter (PD) on the threaded retaining device shall be as shown in Figure H1 (d).

**Cl 2.13.1** *Delete* the second paragraph and *replace* with the following:

The general test conditions described in AS/NZS 3100 shall be observed when carrying out the tests specified by this standard.

Where an IP-rated socket-outlet has an external thread, the dimensions of the thread shall comply with Appendix H. The pitch diameter (PD) on the socket shall be as shown in Figure H1 (b).

Cl 3.8.2 Delete the last paragraph and replace with the following:

For socket-outlets with covers that are to be—

- (a) removed (with or without the use of a tool) for adjustment of control settings as stated in manufacturer's instructions; or
- (b) removed for mounting of the socket-outlet, and that do not have visible indications of cover securing screws,

this test shall be conducted with and without the cover in position.

*Cl* **3.9** *Delete* the title and *replace* with the following:

#### SOCKET-OUTLETS FOR WORKTOP INSTALLATION

Socket-outlets intended to be fixed in a worktop shall be arranged to prevent dust and water from accumulating in the socket-outlet.

Conformance shall be checked by inspection.

Socket-outlets, intended to be fixed in location, in, on, under or behind a surface, that incorporate a supply flexible cord or an inlet plug shall comply with the requirements of AS/NZS 3105 notwithstanding the scope.

The general test conditions described in AS/NZS 3100 shall be observed when carrying out the tests specified by this standard.

For socket-outlets with covers that are to be—

- (a) removed (with or without the use of a tool) for adjustment of control settings as stated in manufacturer's instructions; or
- (b) removed for mounting of the socket-outlet, and that do not have visible indications of cover securing screws,

this test shall be conducted with and without the cover in position.

**Cl 3.14.10.2** *Delete* the fourth paragraph and *replace* with the following:

For socket-outlets with covers that are to be—

- (a) removed (with or without the use of a tool) for adjustment of control settings as stated in manufacturer's instructions; or
- removed for mounting of the socket-outlet, and that do not have visible indications of cover securing screws,

this test shall be conducted with and without the cover in position.

**Cl 3.14.12.1** *Add* the following after the existing paragraph:

## **Element** Instruction/New text

Faceplates that are assembled without the use of screws or rivets and are—

- (a) to be removed (with or without the use of a tool) for adjustment of control settings as stated in manufacturer's instructions; or
- (b) to be removed for mounting of the socket-outlet, and that do not have visible indications of cover securing screws,

the face plate shall be removed and reinstalled 10 times prior to the tests of Clauses 3.14.12.2 to 3.14.12.6.

## Appendix H Figure H1

*Delete* figure and *replace* with the following [Illustrations (b), (d) amended]: