

**Methods of test for**

# **Petroleum and its products**

**Part 58. Determination of softening point of  
bitumen – Ring and ball method**

**(Identical with IP 58/86(89))**

## Foreword

This British Standard, having been prepared under the direction of the Petroleum Standards Policy Committee, was published under the authority of the Standards Board and comes into effect on 28 February 1993.

This British Standard supersedes BS 2000 : Part 58 : 1988, which is withdrawn.

BS 2000 comprises a series of test methods for petroleum and its products that are published by the Institute of Petroleum (IP) and have been accorded the status of a British Standard. Each method should be read in conjunction with the preliminary pages of 'IP Standard methods for analysis and testing of petroleum and related products' which gives details of the BSI/IP agreement for publication of the series, provides general information on safety precautions, sampling and other matters, and lists the methods published as Parts of BS 2000.

The numbering of the Parts of BS 2000 follows that of the corresponding methods published in 'IP Standard methods for analysis and testing of petroleum and related products'. Under the terms of the agreement between BSI and the Institute of Petroleum, the revised version of BS 2000 : Part 58 will be published by the IP (in 'Standard methods for analysis and testing of petroleum and related products' and as a separate publication). BS 2000 : Part 58 : 1993 is thus identical with IP 58/86, which was reapproved in 1989. Square brackets marked in the margin of this IP Standard indicate text that differs from the previous edition.

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