

BS EN 50518-1:2013



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Monitoring and alarm receiving centre

Part 1: Location and construction
requirements

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National foreword

This British Standard is the UK implementation of EN 50518-1:2013. It supersedes BS EN 50518-1:2010, which is withdrawn.

Relationship with other publications

The BS EN 50518 series of standards apply to alarm signals generated from intruder and hold-up alarm systems (I&HAS) only. Alarm signals from other types of alarm systems, i.e. fire, social and closed circuit television systems (CCTV) are not within the scope of the BS EN 50518 series.

British Standard BS 5979:2007 applies to I&HAS, but also other alarms such as CCTV, fire and social.

Following publication of the BS EN 50518 series, BS 5979:2007 was reviewed to remove references to alarm signals received from I&HAS resulting in the development of a new standard BS 8591:2014.

BS 8591:2014, *Remote centres receiving signals from alarm systems - Code of practice*, gives recommendations for the planning, construction, and facilities of manned and unmanned remote centres, and for the operation of alarm receiving centres (ARCs), receiving signals from alarm systems, e.g. CCTV, fire, social, lone worker and vehicle tracking, but excludes receiving signals from I&HAS.

Together with BS 8591:2014, BS EN 50518-2:2013 and BS EN 50518-3:2013 it supersedes BS 5979:2007, which is withdrawn.

For those considering constructing and operating an ARC in compliance with this standard it is worth noting that following a meeting of CEN/TC 79 in September 2013 a resolution was passed to commence work on EN 50518, to, amongst other things, merge the three parts into one and to extend the scope to include alarms signals from other systems such as CCTV, fire and social.

The UK participation in its preparation was entrusted by Technical Committee GW/1, Electronic security systems, to Subcommittee GW/1/11, Remote centres.

A list of organizations represented on this subcommittee can be obtained on request to its secretary.

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