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BRIEF HISTORY

The ISO Recommendation R 58, *Substances of Paper*, was drawn up by Technical Committee ISO/TC 6, *Paper*, the Secretariat of which is held by the Association Française de Normalisation (AFNOR).

The draft proposal put forward by the Secretariat was considered and worked out by Sub-Committee 1, *Nomenclature - Terminology - Substances*, of Committee ISO/TC 6, at its meetings held in Paris, in 1952, and in Lisbon, in 1954.

On 28 September 1956, the Draft ISO Recommendation, proposed by Technical Committee ISO/TC 6, was submitted to all the ISO Member Bodies and approved, subject to some editorial amendments, by the following 23 (out of a total of 37) Member Bodies:

Austria	Hungary	Romania
Bulgaria	India	Spain
*Canada	*Ireland	*Sweden
Czechoslovakia	Japan	Turkey
*Denmark	*Netherlands	Union of South Africa
France	Pakistan	United Kingdom
Germany	Poland	*U.S.A.
*Greece	Portugal	

One Member Body opposed the approval of the Draft: Finland.

The Draft ISO Recommendation was then submitted, by correspondence, to the ISO Council, which decided, in March 1958, to accept it as an ISO RECOMMENDATION.

* These Member Bodies stated that they had no objection to the Draft being approved.

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It is recommended that, for international trade, the substances of paper and board, expressed in grammes per square metre, be selected from the R 20 series of preferred numbers.*

The numbers of this series are as follows:

100
112
125
140
160
180
200
224
250
280
315
355
400
450
500
560
630
710
800
900
1 000

This series may be extended upwards or downwards as required, by the addition or suppression of noughts or merely by adding or moving a decimal point.

* See ISO Recommendations R 3, *Preferred Numbers - Series of Preferred Numbers*, and R 17, *Guide to the Use of Preferred Numbers and of Series of Preferred Numbers*.