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## SAFETY OF PRODUCTS AND MATERIALS IN CONTACT WITH DRINKING WATER

### INTRODUCTION

This standard is cited in the *Regulation Respecting the Application of Section 32 of the Environment Quality Act* (see Annex B) and in the Standardized Specification BNQ 1809-300 (see Annex B), which specifies the general technical clauses governing the installation of municipal drinking water supply systems.

### **1**      PURPOSE

This standard specifies the requirements that products and materials in contact with drinking water shall conform to in order to preserve drinking water quality and specifies the methods for assessment of products and materials in contact with drinking water. This standard considers the effects of products and materials in contact with drinking water on public health and the aesthetic quality of water.

### **2**      SCOPE

This standard applies to all types of materials (for example, plastics, other polymers, metal, cement) and products (for example, pipes, gaskets, valves, coating materials, lubricants) in contact with drinking water in a temporary or permanent cold drinking water supply system.

#### NOTES —

1 Fire hydrants fall within the scope of this standard since they are major elements of a temporary drinking water supply system. The Standardized Specification BNQ 1809-300 (see Annex B) specifies applicable requirements for temporary drinking water supply systems.

2 Even though the requirements of this standard apply exclusively to water supply systems, these requirements should also apply to products and materials installed upstream of a water supply system, such as pipes, accessories, equipment for treatment and tanks of a drinking water production unit.

This document was developed to serve as a reference document for the conformity assessment of specific products.

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