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Foreword

This British Standard is a revision of the standard first published in 1965, and has been prepared at the request of the British Button Manufacturers' Association under the direction of the Kitchen and Household Equipment Standards Committee.

This revision gives detailed dimensions for holes in buttons and for shanks to enable the buttons to be attached to a garment. Dimensions are now in metric units, and imperial measurements based on the English "line" (0.025 in) are no longer regarded as standard, but for reference purposes conversion tables are given in Appendix A.

This revision specifies requirements which have been used as a basis for design by manufacturers of button sewing machines. Tolerances have been added for the diameter of holes and the spacing between holes in buttons.

Attention is drawn to the provisions in BS 4162 "*Methods of test for buttons*".

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