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# Foreword

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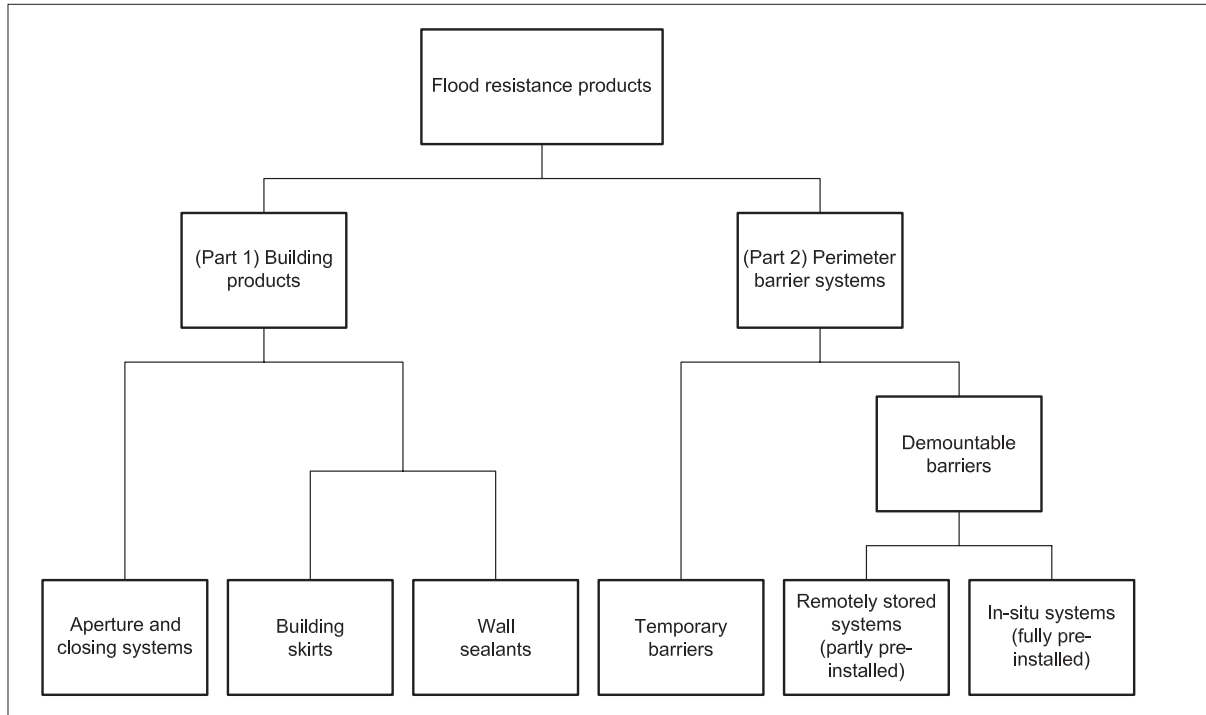
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## Introduction

The general classification of flood resistance products and the relationship between groups of products with each other is shown in [Figure 1](#). [Figure 1](#) also indicates which part of the BS 851188 series is relevant for each classification.

**Figure 1** — Flood resistance products: general classification



*NOTE 1* Attention is drawn to the need to ensure a safe evacuation of persons in the event of an emergency and for access and egress of persons with impaired movement.

*NOTE 2* When a designer considers applying a product to a building, the design and the intended method of deployment of the product with its designated maximum water depth (DMWD) should not adversely affect the structural integrity of the building. Attention is drawn to the Construction (Design and Management) Regulations 2015 [20] and parts relevant to the roles and responsibilities of designers.

## 1 Scope

This British Standard specifies requirements for the designation, testing, factory production control, installation manual, deployment instructions, user manual and marking for different types and configurations of flood resistance products.

This British Standard is applicable to flood resistance products intended for either temporary installation or to be demountable, for use away from buildings but where they could be sealed against structures or buildings at section ends, in the UK or locations with similar exposures, i.e. where there is a temperate climate.

This British Standard specifies the method of testing and an allowable leakage rate.

*NOTE 1* The test conditions given in [Annex A](#) represent typical conditions that can be experienced during a flood. This includes testing the flood resistance product on a concrete base for leakage and structural failure under static water levels, random waves up to 0.1 m high and parallel currents up to 1.0 m/s.

*NOTE 2* This British Standard does not cover testing with contaminated or saline water; however, product manufacturers are required to provide information about the performance of their products in these conditions (see [Annex B](#)).