A5.1 Basic-Simple Search - Using a Standard Number

The Basic search or Simple Search enables you to search for standards by number, keyword or phrase. This is found on the home page. For your convenience there is also a Basic/Simple search area in the top right corner of every page within BSOL on the navigation bar.

Basic/Simple search searches the Standard number field, the Title field and the Descriptors field, only. However, this filed can be combined with other options in the More Search Options and Advanced Search areas. (See section A6)

Searching by standard number will return relevant results based on the number entered here. Where possible it will find exact matches.

This option will allow you to use the letter prefix e.g. BS, BS EN, etc. Although Standards are written with spaces between prefixes, there is no space sensitivity when keying in a search.

As you start to type the number, the auto-suggestion system will start to suggest possible standard numbers based on your search terms.
Hovering over any of these and selecting it will populate the search field.

Once you have completed one or more searches, you will also be presented with a search history option in the auto-suggestions.

Auto suggestions can be enabled or disabled at any time from this field, once it appears as you start to type. Click on “Turn suggestions OFF / ON” to disable /enable this function.

If you are unsure of the letter prefix or the spacing of the prefix, leave this out and use the number string only. However, please check the title of the standard you have found as the same number prefix may have been coincidentally used by more than one standards body in BSOL for differing standards.
Examples of results using similar terms:

Using the number **9000** produces 60 results containing the number 9000 in the standard number and title.

These include:

- **BS EN ISO 9000:2005** *Quality management systems. Fundamentals and vocabulary*
- **BS EN ISO 9000-3:1997** *Quality management and quality assurance standards. Guidelines for the application of ISO 9001:1994 to the development, supply, installation and maintenance of computer software*
- **BS ISO 9000-2:1997** *Quality management and quality assurance standards. Generic guidelines for the application of ISO 9001, ISO 9002 and ISO 9003*
- **BS 9000-1:1989** *General requirements for a system for electronic components of assessed quality. Specification of general procedures*

Using the number **900** in this field produces 112 results.

These include:

- **PAS 900:2010** *Code of Practice for Wheelchair Passports*
- **BS EN 900:2007** *Chemicals used for treatment of water intended for human consumption. Calcium hypochlorite*

**USING the term BS900 is asking the search to look for the term BS and 900 as an AND search. This produces only 2 results:**

- **BS EN 900:2007** *Chemicals used for treatment of water intended for human consumption. Calcium hypochlorite.*
- **BS EN 900:2000** *Chemicals used for treatment of water intended for human consumption. Calcium hypochlorite.*