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NATIONAL FOREWORD

This draft standard was approved by the Sectoral Committee on Building and Construction Materials and was authorized for adoption and publication as a Sri Lanka Standard by the Council of the Sri Lanka Standard Institution on 2021-07-29

This Sri Lanka Standard is identical with **ISO 12944-2:2017** published by the International Organization for Standardization (**ISO**).

The standard deals with the classification of the principal environments to which steel structures are exposed, and the corrosivity of these environments.

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- b) Wherever page numbers are quoted, they are “**ISO**” page numbers.
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This second edition cancels and replaces the first edition (ISO 12944-2:1998), which has been technically revised.

The main changes compared to the previous edition are as follows:

- the normative references have been updated;
- [4.2.1](#) "General" has been added;
- the units in [Table 1](#) have been corrected;
- the bibliography has been updated;
- the text has been editorially revised.

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