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DOUBLE-DECK FLAT PALLETS
FOR THROUGH TRANSIT OF GOODS

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BRIEF HISTORY

The ISO Recommendation R 198, *Double-Deck Flat Pallets for through Transit of Goods*, was drawn up by Technical Committee ISO/TC 51, *Pallets for Unit Load Method of Materials Handling*, the Secretariat of which is held by the British Standards Institution (B.S.I.).

Work on this question by the Technical Committee began in 1952 and led, in 1954, to the adoption of a first Draft ISO Recommendation, dealing with two pallet sizes. This first Draft ISO Recommendation (No. 42) was circulated, in May 1954, to all the ISO Member Bodies for enquiry.

However, during its third meeting, held in Stockholm in June 1955, the Technical Committee decided to complete the Draft so as to include a third pallet size, as well as the specifications concerning the construction details of the pallets in question. In November 1959, the Draft thus completed was circulated to all the ISO Member Bodies as a Second Draft ISO Recommendation (No. 42) and was approved, subject to some editorial amendments, by the following Member Bodies:

Austria	Ireland	Romania
Belgium	Italy	Spain
Chile	Netherlands	Sweden
Czechoslovakia	New Zealand	Switzerland
Denmark	Norway	United Kingdom
France	Poland	U.S.S.R.
Greece	Portugal	

One Member Body opposed the approval of the Draft: Germany.

The Draft ISO Recommendation was then submitted by correspondence to the ISO Council, which decided, in May 1961, to accept it as an ISO RECOMMENDATION.