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solid waste**

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1 Scope

GB 13600 governs the disposal of low-level radioactive solid waste in rock caverns, and the limited disposal of intermediate-level waste in the same facilities. It runs the whole life of a repository - site selection, design, construction, operation, closure, post-closure monitoring and inspection, safety assessment and quality assurance - and it is the standard against which a Chinese disposal facility is licensed and audited. The 2024 edition replaces GB 13600-1992, a text more than thirty years old, and was issued jointly with the Ministry of Ecology and Environment. Issued on 28 November 2024, in force since 1 January 2025. This page is published from the official record of the standard held by the Chinese standards administration: the identification, the dates, the classification and the edition it replaces are taken from there. The clause text, the tables and the numeric limits are not reproduced on this page - they are in the document itself, which is delivered in full in English translation.