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QB/T 4168-2026 is a recommended industry standard of the People's Republic of China in the Light Industry sector, approved and issued by the Ministry of Industry and Information Technology on 1 June 2026, with effect from 1 December 2026.

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1 Scope

QB/T 4168-2026 applies to ink for porous-point pens, called simply "ink" in the document. It covers the research and development, production, inspection and acceptance of this ink. A porous-point pen writes through a nib made of porous material that draws the ink to the paper, and the ink is therefore a product of its own that is developed, made, inspected and handed over to the buyer. The document is limited to that ink and to these four activities, without extending to the pens themselves.

Ink producers, makers of porous-point pens, inspection bodies and buyers can all work from the same text when agreeing what is delivered. The standard is voluntary, indicated by the /T in the code. The Ministry of Industry and Information Technology issued it on 1 June 2026, and it comes into force on 1 December 2026. It replaces the 2011 edition, QB/T 4168-2011.

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