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# NONFERROUS METALS INDUSTRY STANDARD OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA

# YS/T 1874-2026

## Technical specification for wastewater recycling in nickel smelting enterprises

镍冶炼企业废水循环利用技术规范

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## Foreword

YS/T 1874-2026 is a recommended industry standard of the People's Republic of China in the Nonferrous Metals sector, approved and issued by the Ministry of Industry and Information Technology on 15 July 2026, with effect from 1 February 2027.

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## 1 Scope

YS/T 1874-2026 deals with wastewater recycling in nickel smelting enterprises. It specifies the general requirements, the sources of wastewater and the treatment and reuse processes, water quality control and technical requirements, and management. It applies to nickel smelting enterprises that produce nickel, nickel salts and lithium-ion battery cathode material precursors containing nickel (including nickel-cobalt binary precursors and nickel-cobalt-manganese ternary precursors) from primary ore, nickel concentrate, nickel intermediate products and nickel-bearing waste as the main raw materials.

Nickel smelters, precursor producers, plant designers, environmental engineers, auditors and regulators can refer to it when planning and assessing water recycling. It is a voluntary standard (code with /T). It was approved and issued by the Ministry of Industry and Information Technology on 15 July 2026 and takes effect on 1 February 2027.



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