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## Foreword

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- *Part 2: Locking components*
- *Part 3: Connection devices and reamer diameter measurements*

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## Introduction

Intramedullary nailing is a method of fixation for temporary stabilization of long bones with reduced strength due to fractures or disease or both. Medical and engineering considerations influence the design of the different devices and the choice of a device for a particular clinical situation.

Nails are often, but not always, removed when they have completed their intended purpose of temporary stabilization.