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### PREFACE

This Standard was prepared by the Standards Australia Committee SF-041, General Principles for the Guarding of Machinery to supersede, in part, AS 4024.1—1996, *Safeguarding of machinery*, Part 1: *General principles*.

The purpose of this part of AS 4024 is to provide users with an overall framework and guidance to enable them to produce machinery that are safe for their intended use. Many of the Clauses within this Standard are dealt with in greater detail within other Parts of AS 4024.

During its work, the Committee considered a number of Standards originating within the European Community in the field of safety of machinery. Many of these European Standards are being adopted virtually unchanged as International Standards by the International Organization for Standardization (ISO) and the Committee has agreed to continue to use material emanating from both CEN and ISO in this new edition. This action will maintain consistency with previous editions of AS 4024.1 and other machine-specific Australian Standards.

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