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PREFACE

This Standard was prepared by the Joint Standards Australia/Standards New Zealand Committee CS-003, Safety Requirements for Children's Furniture, to supersede AS/NZS 2172:2010.

The objective of this Standard is to provide regulatory authorities with essential safety requirements and to provide manufacturers with functional, durability, stability and performance criteria to meet these safety requirements, in order to reduce the likelihood of deaths or injuries to children.

This edition updates requirements in the light of experience gained through implementation of the Standard and further consideration of overseas developments associated with the integrity of cot drop-sides. Testing for the drop-side and its mechanisms has been revised with separate tests for the drop-side strength, and the fastening and mechanism strength being introduced.

Reference has also been made to a new test method (AS/NZS 8811.1) developed by Committee CS-003 to assess the firmness of the infant sleep surface to minimize the risk of infant asphyxiation on an overly soft surface.

The term 'normative' has been used in this Standard to define the application of the appendix to which it applies. A 'normative' appendix is an integral part of a Standard.

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