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PREFACE

This edition of this standard was prepared by the Association's Committee on Safety in Workshops of Schools and Colleges, at the request of the Safety Standards Board, to supersede AS 1485—1973.

This edition incorporates technical and editorial amendments identified as necessary during the application of the 1973 edition, and two additional sections covering graphic arts and catering.

The standard includes safe working practices for instructors and students in workrooms of educational establishments, advice on the administration of accident reporting and accident investigation, environmental factors, and safe working methods.

It covers specific areas where definite safety measures are required in the handling of harmful substances and contains details of particular processes, workrooms with metalworking and woodworking machinery, forging, welding, casting, automotive engineering, the use of ancillary plant and equipment, graphic arts processes and catering facilities.

Concern has been expressed that workshops of universities are unique and may not be covered by adequate Australian safety standards. In this regard, it is the committee's view that such 'workshops' are covered by this standard and AS 2243, Safety in Laboratories. Standards at present under development and pertinent to the subject will cover laboratory fume cupboards and laboratory construction.

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