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This Standard is one of a series dealing with explosives and pyrotechnics. To date the series consists of the following:

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- 2187 Explosives—Storage, transport and use
- 2187.0 Part 0: Terminology
- 2187.1 Part 1: Storage (this Standard)
- 2187.2 Part 2: Use of explosives
- 2187.4 Part 4: Pyrotechnics—Outdoor displays

It is proposed to publish a further three parts consisting of:

- Use of explosives
- Pyrotechnics—Indoor theatrical and film sets
- Pyrotechnics—Marine distress signals
- Pyrotechnics—Shop good fireworks

The objective of this Standard is to provide owners of magazines and regulatory authorities with acceptable requirements to ensure the security and safety of explosives and detonators.

The principal changes from the superseded AS 2187.1 and AS 2188 are as follows:

- (a) Inclusions are—
  - (i) improved security for vents and locks;
  - (ii) revised minimum separation distances based on international testing and experience;
  - (iii) qualifications and duties for a person in charge of a magazine;
  - (iv) housekeeping, maintenance and emergency procedures;
  - (v) underground storage; and
  - (vi) storage of pyrotechnic substances and devices and propellant powders.
- (b) Exclusions are—
  - (i) explosives and explosive ordnances for defence purposes which comply with the Defence Explosives Safety Manual.
  - (ii) conveyance of explosives on public roads (National Standard adopted by all States and Territories); and
  - (iii) storage for ammonium nitrate other than minimum clearance distances to magazines for the storage of explosives.

The terms 'normative' and 'informative' have been used in this Standard to define the application of the appendix to which they apply. A 'normative' appendix is an integral part of a Standard, whereas an 'informative' appendix is only for information and guidance.

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