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PREFACE

This Standard was prepared by the Joint Standards Australia/Standards New Zealand Committee ME/46, Gas Fuel Systems for Vehicle Engines, to supersede AS 2739—1992, NZS 5422.2:1987 and NZS 5422.3:1991 (in part).

This Standard incorporates Amendment No. 1 (April 2001) and Amendment No. 2 (September 2001). The changes required by the Amendments are indicated in the text by a marginal bar and amendment number against the clause, note, table, figure or part thereof affected.

The layout and content of Sections in this edition have been restructured and the requirements on a subject grouped to facilitate easy referencing.

The edition has been expanded to encompass New Zealand requirements and includes the following significant changes:

- (a) Maintenance and performance levels for closed loop engine management systems.
- (b) Requirements for the use of composite cylinders.
- (c) Expansion of fuel selection requirements to embrace bi-fuel and dual fuel systems.
- (d) Introduction of a CNG compliance plate.
- (e) Revision of cylinder fixation requirements.
- (f) Incorporation of Agency information in an appendix.

Australia requires an ISO quick action refuelling coupling and drive away protection to be provided by a hose break coupling. New Zealand requires the use of the refuelling coupling shown in Appendix C and also requires the use of a refuelling interlock device to prevent the engine from starting while the refuelling hose is attached to the vehicle. These differences are addressed in this edition.

The attachment design factor, (Clause 3.15.2) takes into account the work of ISO/TC 22/SC 25/WG 2.

A number of other changes of a comparatively minor nature have been made in order to align the Standard for Australia/New Zealand requirements and to align with other changes which have occurred in recent years to AS/NZS 1425, *LP Gas fuel systems for vehicle engines*.

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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