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PREFACE

This Standard was prepared by the Standards Australia Committee BD/93, Domestic Scaffolding.

The objective of this Standard is to provide guidance to builders and contractors, particularly those working away from the support facilities available in cities and larger country towns, on the correct method of constructing working platforms from scaffolding equipment, building timber and other equipment typically found on building sites.

This document is not a substitute for any of the scaffolding Standards.

This Standard has been developed for the benefit of users in the field and, as such, it should be seen as a stand alone document, not requiring the field user to consult other related Standards to determine good practice or compliance with other existing scaffolding Standards.

For designers of specialized components, intended to comply with this Standard, there are performance requirements to be met and so they will need to consult relevant Standards as indicated in the text.

If the intended working platform deviates from the typical examples given herein, it may be necessary for the user to follow the requirements of the scaffolding Standards.

Persons using this Standard are advised to familiarize themselves with the specific statutory requirements of States and Territories regarding occupational health and safety legislation, scaffolding and working at heights.

Statements expressed in mandatory terms in notes to tables are deemed to be requirements of this Standard.

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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