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PREFACE

This Standard was prepared by the Joint Australian/New Zealand Standards Committee CH-009, *Safe Handling of Chemicals*. Preparation of this Standard was commenced following a request from the chemicals industry that a series of generic Standards be prepared in the storage and handling of each Class of dangerous goods.

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

The purpose of this Standard is to promote the safety of persons and property wherever dangerous goods and articles of Class 9 (as specified in the UN *Recommendations for the Transport of Dangerous Goods — Model Regulations*) are stored and handled, by providing requirements and recommendations that are based on industry best practices.

In New Zealand, this Standard covers dangerous goods and articles of Class 9, which may differ from Class 9 as defined by HSNO legislation.

The series of Standards covering the storage and handling of dangerous goods presently comprises the following:

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1894	The storage and handling of non-flammable cryogenic and refrigerated liquids					
1940	The storage and handling of flammable and combustible liquids					
2022	Anhydrous ammonia—Storage and handling					
2507	The storage and handling of agricultural and veterinary chemicals					
2714	The storage and handling of hazardous chemical materials—Class 5.2 substances (organic peroxides)					
2927	The storage and handling of liquefied chlorine gas					
3780	The storage and handling of corrosive substances					
3846	The handling and transport of dangerous cargoes in port areas					
3961	Liquefied natural gas—Storage and handling					
4081	The storage, handling and transport of liquid and liquefied polyfunctional isocyanates					
4326	The storage and handling of oxidizing agents					
4332	The storage and handling of gases in cylinders					
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1596	Storage and handling of LP Gas					
3833	The storage and handling of mixed classes of dangerous goods in packages and intermediate bulk containers					
4452	The storage and handling of toxic substances					
NZS						
8409	Code of practice for the management of agrichemicals					

Attention has been paid to aligning the requirements given in this Standard with those of regulatory authorities, emergency services, environmental authorities and the various publications of the National Occupational Health and Safety Commission.

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 the Standard, whereas an 'informative appendix is only for information and guidance.

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

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