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PREFACE

This Standard was prepared by the Joint Standards Australia/Standards New Zealand Committee WS-014, Plumbing and Drainage, to supersede AS/NZS 3500.3:2015.

The objective of this Standard is to provide stormwater drainage solutions for compliance with—

- (a) the National Construction Code; and
- (b) the Building Code of New Zealand.

This Standard is part of a series of Standards for plumbing and drainage, as follows:

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- 3500 Plumbing and drainage 3500.0 Part 0: Glossary of terms 3500.1 Part 1: Water services
- 3500.2 Part 2: Sanitary plumbing and drainage 3500.3 Part 3: Stormwater drainage (this Standard)
- 3500.4 Part 4: Heated water services

The objective of this revision is to—

- (i) update the design rainfall data to the latest Bureau of Meteorology information;
- (ii) include provisions for siphonic systems;
- (iii) provide information on balcony and terrace drainage.

Some materials and products used in a stormwater drainage system are provided with instructions for installation and use. Although not a requirement of this Standard or acceptable as an alternative to the requirements of this Standard, conformance to these instructions generally ensures that—

- (A) the material or product is fit for the application;
- (B) the performance of the system is not degraded;
- (C) the durability of the material or product is not impaired; and
- (D) the manufacturer's warranty remains valid.

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.

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

Notes used in this Standard are of an advisory nature only and are used to give explanation or guidance to the user on recommended considerations or technical procedures, or to provide an informative cross-reference to other documents or publications. Notes to clauses in this Standard do not form a mandatory part for compliance with this Standard.

This document includes commentary on some of the clauses of the Standard. The commentary directly follows the relevant clause, is designated by 'C' preceding the clause number and is printed in italics in a box. The commentary is for information and guidance and does not form part of the Standard.

PROVISION FOR REVISION

This Standard necessarily deals with existing conditions, but is not intended to discourage innovation or to exclude materials, equipment and methods that may be developed in future. Revisions will be made from time to time in view of such developments and amendments to this edition will be made only when absolutely necessary.

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