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#### **PREFACE**

This Standard was prepared by the Joint Standards Australia/Standards New Zealand Committee ME/62 on Mechanical Ventilation and Air Conditioning. In the preparation of this Standard, consideration was given to a number of publications and relevant Standards. This Standard follows a number of requirements set out in the Sheet Metal and Air Conditioning Contractors National Association's (SMACNA) HVAC Duct Construction Standards for metal and flexible ducts, but with the requirements adapted to the products of local Australian industries.

The objective of this Standard is to provide guidance to designers, manufacturers and installers of air-handling systems for buildings.

The approach to using SMACNA as the basis for an Australian Standard was strongly influenced by—

- (a) the extensive long-term background of SMACNA, which led this document to be regarded as well developed; and
- (b) the use of SMACNA in Australia over a considerable period as the basis for duct construction.

Assistance gained from SMACNA is hereby acknowledged.

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