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PREFACE

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It is based on IEC 825-2:1993, Safety of laser products, Part 2: Safety of optical fibre communication systems, except as follows:

- (a) Unclear wording has been clarified, editorial corrections have been made and, where possible, references to IEC Standards have been replaced with references to Joint Australian/New Zealand Standards.
- (b) The wavelength range covered in the Standard has been lowered to 100 nm.
- (c) A new informative Appendix has been added, dealing with the application of this Standard, and recommends practices for working on optical fibre systems. This Appendix is based on a draft currently being prepared by IEC/TC 76.

The variations from IEC 825-2:1993 set out as Items (a), (b), and (c) represent measures deemed to be essential to the protection of human health and safety, as provided for under Section 2.2 of the Technical Barriers to Trade Agreement (GATT/TBT Code). Because of the extent of these technical changes, a number of consequential editorial changes and revisions of the informative material were needed. The document was also re-keyed from the original to assist in readability.

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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