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#### **PREFACE**

This Standard was prepared by Standards Australia Committee CS-005, Playground Equipment to supersede, in part, AS 1924.2—1981, Playground equipment for parks, schools and domestic use, Part 2: Design and construction—Safety aspects.

This Standard incorporates Amendment No. 1 (October 2006) and Amendment No. 2 (April 2008). The changes required by the Amendment are indicated in the text by a marginal bar and amendment number against the clause, note, table, figure or part thereof affected.

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4685.5	Part 5:	Particular safety requirements and test methods for carousels		
4685.6	Part 6:	Particular safety requirements and test methods for rocking equipment		

This Standard must be used in conjunction with AS 4685.1, which comprises requirements and test methods that apply to all playground equipment.

Where swings are combined with other items of children's playground equipment, the relevant Standards on the other items of equipment apply, in addition to this Standard.

This Standard is based on, but not equivalent to, EN 1176-2:2003, *Playground equipment*, Part 2: *Additional specific safety requirements and test methods for swings*, which was prepared by CEN/TC 136 Sports Playgrounds and Recreational Equipment.

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.

This Standard will apply from the date of publication. However the committee has decided that, to avoid excessive costs to manufacturers and operators, the superseded Standards, AS 1924.1 and AS 1924.2, will continue as an alternative for a period of one year after the publication date.

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