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## PREFACE

This Standard was prepared by the Joint Standards Australia/Standards New Zealand Committee ME/5 on Cranes as an aid to the specification for cranes subjected to arduous working conditions. The requirements it specifies are additional to the other parts of AS 1418 and should be applied to cranes which are subject to those conditions.

The Standard is a result of a consensus among representatives of the Joint Committee to produce it as an Australian Standard.

This Standard may be specified in its entirety where the entire crane is subjected to arduous working conditions or it may be specified in part where only a limited part or parts of a crane are subjected to arduous working conditions.

As an example of the need to specify this Standard in part only, consider a crane that is subjected to a normal level of duty, except for a very high frequency of lifting. In such a case, it would be proper to specify the crane Standard normally applicable to the crane (for example AS 1418.3) and to specify this Standard only for the crane mechanisms contained in Section 4. Further, it may not be necessary to specify Section 4 in its entirety. For example, if the crane is for indoor use, weather protection may be omitted.

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

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