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PREFACE

This Standard was prepared by the Standards Australia Committee CS-093, Water Safety Signs and Symbols, to supersede AS 2416—1995.

This edition has been revised to include a total of six new symbolic signs which have been successfully tested for comprehension in accordance with AS 2342—1992*, Development, testing and implementation of information and safety symbols and symbolic signs.

A further category of sign of the general type 'Warning—(activity) Not Advised' has been introduced in this edition. The category is referred to in Clause 3.11.3 and Appendix B. Further explanation relating to this sign is given in the Foreword.

The sign indicating 'stingers' in the previous edition has now been replaced by two signs, both indicating 'hazardous marine creatures', one sign showing these underwater and the other showing them floating.

The term 'normative' has been used in this Standard to define the application of the appendix to which it applies. A 'normative' appendix is an integral part of a Standard.

^{*} Testing of five of these signs is reported in ADAMS, A.S. *Testing of proposed water safety signs*: Report to the NSW Water Safety Taskforce, University of NSW, November 2000.

Testing of the sixth sign 'Surfboard riding between flags prohibited' was reported in an unpublished report by Forte Design and Marketing of Wollongong NSW, prepared for the Wollongong City Council.

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