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PREFACE

This Standard was prepared by the Joint Standards Australia/Standards New Zealand Committee SF/15, Industrial Safety Belts and Harnesses, to supersede—

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AS 4626—1993, Industrial fall-arrest devices—Selection, use and maintenance; and

NZS 5811.2—1981, Industrial safety belts and harnesses, Part 2: Code of practice for selection, use and maintenance of safety belts and harnesses;

to become Part 4 of a series of Standards dealing with industrial fall-arrest systems and devices. The other Standards in the series are:

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1891 Industrial fall-arrest systems and devices

1891.1 Part 1: Safety belts and harnesses

1891.2(Int) Part 2: Horizontal lifeline and rail systems

1891.3 Part 3: Fall-arrest devices

The Standard contains a considerable number of technical up-dates and additions to the material in the superseded Standards to bring it into line with the provisions of AS/NZS 1891, Parts 1, 2 and 3. The principal additions are as follows:

- (a) Use of energy absorbing devices to limit peak fall-arrest loads on users to 6 kN.
- (b) All detail relating to horizontal life lines and rails.
- (c) Warnings related to the use of fall-arrest devices with anchorage lines extended laterally.
- (d) Determination of fall distance and fall clearance.

The term 'informative' has been used in this Standard to define the application of the appendix to which it applies. An 'informative' appendix is only for information and guidance.

Statements expressed in mandatory terms in footnotes to figures are deemed to be requirements of this Standard.

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