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PREFACE

This Standard was prepared by the Standards Australia Committee MS-012, Road Signs and Traffic Signals to supersede AS 1742.1—1991.

The *Manual of uniform traffic control devices* was originally prepared by the Australian Committee on Road Devices (ACORD) under the direction of the then Australian Transport Advisory Council (now ATC). It was subsequently approved by the Standards Australia Council for publication as an Australian Standard in two Parts, AS 1742.1—1975 and AS 1742.2—1978. These Standards superseded the Australian Standard Road Signs Code which was first published in 1935 with revisions in 1946 and 1960.

The decision to revise and publish AS 1742 as thirteen separate parts (later, fourteen parts), each of which dealt with a specific situation and was self-contained, was taken in 1983 in consultation with the National Association of Australian State Road Authorities (now Austroads). The decision was supported by an Australia-wide survey of Local Government Authorities also undertaken in 1983.

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| 1742.11 | Part 11: Parking controls* |
| 1742.12 | Part 12: Bus, transit and truck lanes* |
| 1742.13 | Part 13: Local area traffic management |
| 1742.14 | Part 14: Traffic signals* |

Revisions of the Standards marked * in the above list have all been published since the 1991 edition of this Standard was published. This edition now includes all new signs and other changes resulting from those revisions.

An Interim Supplement to the 1991 Edition of this Standard was also issued to cover signs and devices in the *Australian Road Rules 2000* which have yet to be incorporated into the appropriate Part of the AS 1742 Series. It is expected to be republished as an Interim Supplement to this edition in due course. Signs shown as 'AS 1742.1, Supp.1' in the Principal References column of the sign listings are those signs in the Interim Supplement which were still to be incorporated into another Part at time of publication of this Standard.

The supplementary list of signs published in the previous edition of this Standard has been deleted.

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