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## PREFACE

This Standard was prepared by the Standards Australia Committee on Chainsaw Safety as a revision of AS 2726—1984, *Chainsaws—Safety requirements*.

The edition takes into account the technological changes that have taken place in chainsaw design since the publication of the previous edition and the cranking effort requirement has been deleted.

As far as possible, ISO specifications and tests have been adopted where appropriate.

The following ISO documents were referred to during the preparation of the Standard:

### ISO

6534:1992	Portable chain-saw—Hand-guards—Mechanical strength
6535:1991	Portable chain-saws—Chain brake performance
7293:1983	Forestry machinery—Portable chain saws—Engine performance and fuel consumption
7505:1986	Forestry machinery—Chain saws—Measurement of hand-transmitted vibration
7914:1986	Forestry machinery—Portable chain saws—Minimum handle clearance and sizes
7915:1991	Forestry machinery—Portable chain-saws—Determination of handle strength
TR 9412:1991	Portable chain-saws—Automatic chain brake and cutting equipment—Operator's safety test
9518:1992	Forestry machinery—Portable chain-saws—Kickback test

The assistance of these documents is acknowledged.

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