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## PREFACE

This Guide was prepared by the Joint Standards Australia/Standards New Zealand Committee QR/1, Quality Systems for the Project Industry, as a revision of AS/NZS 3905.2, following the issue in 1994 of the revised editions of the AS/NZS ISO 9000 family of Standards.

The preparation of the 1993 edition of this Guide was initiated in response to the 1990 Report *No Dispute* issued by the National Public Works Conference (NPWC) and the National Building and Construction Council (NBCC) Joint Working Party.

The objective of the revision is to bring the guidance into alignment with the requirements of the current editions of AS/NZS ISO 9001, AS/NZS ISO 9002 and AS/NZS ISO 9003, and to ensure compatibility with the other Standards of the 'ISO 9000 family', including the definitions in AS/NZS ISO 8402. The format and presentation of this Guide has been revised and technical content brought up to date.

As far as practicable, guidance which addresses the requirements of AS/NZS ISO 9001 is provided in Section 4 of this Guide, i.e. guidance on *what* to do to maintain a systematic approach to quality in a construction project. The other Sections place this guidance in context by providing definitions, advice on specifying quality assurance requirements, advice on developing appropriate systems and documentation, and typical examples.

For ease of cross-referencing, Section 4 of this Guide follows the clause structure of AS/NZS ISO 9001. The text of the requirements clauses of AS/NZS ISO 9001, i.e. Clauses 4.1 to 4.20, is provided in Section 4 and is indicated by inclusion in a box. Throughout this Guide, the term 'the Standards' refers to AS/NZS ISO 9001, 9002 and 9003 and references to particular clauses are shown in italics.

Although the revised editions of AS/NZS ISO 9001, 9002 and 9003 maintain common clause numbers and headings, there are differences between their scope, applicability and requirements; therefore, users of this Guide need to be aware of its applicability to each of the Standards.

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