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**REVISED TEXT**

The 1992 edition of AS 4024.1(Int) is amended as follows; the amendments should be inserted in the appropriate places.

**SUMMARY:** This Amendment applies to the front cover and Preface.

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**Front cover**

*Delete* 'Existing expiry date' and *substitute* the following:

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**Page 2 Preface**

*Delete* Paragraph 9 and *substitute* the following:

'Standards Australia invites comment on this Interim Standard from persons and organizations concerned with this subject. The date of expiry for comment is 15 April 1996, at which time this Interim Standard will either be withdrawn or revised in the light of public comment with the view to the preparation of an Australian Standard, or adoption of the proposed International Standards which are under preparation.'

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## PREFACE

This Interim Australian Standard was prepared by the Standards Australia Committee on General Principles for the Safeguarding of Machinery.

During the preparation of this Interim Standard the Committee followed the content of BS 5304, *Code of practice for safety of machinery*.

It is intended that this Interim Standard contain the general underlying principles for the safeguarding of machinery in general, whilst leaving requirements unique to a particular type of machine in a Standard covering the guarding of that class of machine. Therefore, within the Interim Standard, emphasis has been placed on the principles of safeguarding against the hazards associated with machines, without regard to a specific machine. In this way, it is hoped that engineers, designers and other persons who may be required to design, build, or evaluate the effectiveness of a safeguarding system for machines, will be able to apply the principles to many applications not specifically included herein.

The content of the Standard is presented in a logical sequence, starting with the basic principles to be followed, and leading to hazard recognition.

The Sections dealing with design and safeguards introduce a hierarchy of guarding requirements, which become increasingly stringent as the perceived risk increases.

All phases of machine life are considered, sections dealing with installation, maintenance and safe working practices are included since during these phases, the risk of injury is frequently higher than that experienced during normal production phases.

The Standard applies ergonomic principles to machinery and workplace design, with the intended result that this will lead to improved safety and operational efficiency.

Developments are constantly being introduced and experience being gained. This not only serves to counter the dangers associated with new technologies and manufacturing methods but also to improve the safeguarding of traditional types of machinery. Users of this Standard should therefore make themselves aware of any new codes of practice which may be published from time to time and any other relevant new developments.

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