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PREFACE

This Standard was prepared by the Standards Australia Committee SF-041, as a revision, in part, of AS 4024.1—1996, *Safeguarding of Machinery, Part 1: General principles*.

During its work, the Committee considered a number of Standards originating within the European Community in the field of safety of machinery. Many of these European Standards are being adopted virtually unchanged as International Standards by the International Organization for Standardization (ISO) and the Committee has agreed to continue to use material emanating from both CEN and ISO in this new edition. This action will maintain consistency with previous editions of AS 4024.1 and other machine-specific Australian Standards.

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The terms ‘normative’ and ‘informative’ have been used in this Standard to define the application of the appendix to which they apply. A ‘normative’ appendix is an integral part of a Standard, whereas an ‘informative’ appendix is only for information and guidance.

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