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PREFACE

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This Standard incorporates Amendment No. 1 (April 2014). The changes required by the Amendment are indicated in the text by a marginal bar and amendment number against the clause, note, table, figure or part thereof affected.

The objective of this Standard is to set out the minimum design, manufacturing, testing and performance requirements for electrical equipment intended for use in mines and quarries.

This Standard is Part 1 of the series AS/NZS 4871, *Electrical equipment for mines and quarries*, which comprises the following parts:

- Part 1: General requirements (this Standard)
- Part 2: Distribution, control and auxiliary equipment
- Part 3: Substations
- Part 4: Mains powered electrical mobile machines
- Part 5: Battery powered electrical mobile machines
- Part 6: Diesel powered machinery and ancillary equipment

This Standard differs from the 2010 edition as follows:

- (a) Additional requirements for high voltage tests including partial discharge and impulse testing. Appendix H updated with details for partial discharge and impulse test methods.
- (b) Creepage and clearance requirements altered in light of additional high voltage testing.
- (c) Requirements for earth-protection scheme clarified and additional information included in Appendix C.
- (d) Revised requirements for pilot protection of restrained receptacles, earth fault lockout and earth continuity in hazardous zones.
- (e) Minor changes of clarification.

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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