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PREFACE

This Standard was prepared by the Standards Australia Subcommittee MS-012-01, Traffic Control at Roadworks, which is a constituted subcommittee of Committee MS-012, Road Signs and Traffic Signals, to supersede AS 1742.3—2002, *Traffic control devices for works on roads*. It is one in a series of fourteen Standards which together form the *Manual of uniform traffic control devices*. The series comprises the following Standards:

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1742	Manual of uniform traffic control devices
1742.1	Part 1: General introduction and index of signs
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1742.14	Part 14: Traffic signals
1742.15	Part 15: Direction signs, information signs and route numbering

This edition of the Standard includes a substantial number of additions and variations to the previous (2002) edition. The more significant of these are as follows:

- (a) Major revision of provisions for short-term low-impact works in open road areas and for works on unsealed roads.
- (b) New material on short-term low-impact works in built-up areas.
- (c) Revision of detail on mobile works.
- (d) Introduction of the concept of mobile speed limits with special reference to protection of workers on foot during mobile works.
- (e) Provision for lowering temporary speed limits at hazardous sites.
- (f) Expansion of material on maintaining a safe workplace including detail on hierarchy of control.
- (g) Enhanced detail on determining advance distances for advance warning signs.
- (h) Review of sign sizes in the T Series and their assessment for adequacy of legibility.
- (i) Assignment of specific values where the earlier edition referred to 'high' and 'low' speeds and traffic volumes.
- (j) Introduction of the following new signs:
 - (i) SIDE ROAD CLOSED.
 - (ii) Speed Limit AHEAD.
 - (iii) T Series Advisory Speed Signs.
 - (iv) 'Mobile phones' included in Blasting Area signs.
 - (v) FOOTPATH CLOSED.

- (k) Safety management of traffic and pedestrians on roadways temporarily converted from one-way to two-way traffic.

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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