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PREFACE

This Standard was prepared by the Joint Standards Australia/Standards New Zealand Committee MS-011, Classification of Hazardous Areas, to supersede AS/NZS 2430.3.4:1997, *Classification of hazardous areas, Part 3.4: Examples of area classification—Flammable gases*.

This Standard incorporates Amendment No. 1 (March 2007). 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 the AS/NZS 2430.3 series of Standards is to provide guidance to the industries and statutory authorities concerned with the classification of hazardous areas.

Changes to the 1997 edition include—

- (a) incorporation of the issued amendment;
- (b) addition of Clause 8 - *High pressure gas transmission systems*;
- (c) rewording of Clauses 1, 5.1, 6.1, 6.2.4, 7.1, 7.2.7 and 7.2.12;
- (d) correction of typographical errors;
- (e) alteration of the symbols for hazardous areas zones (to align with AS/NZS 60079.10); and
- (f) update of referenced documents.

This series of Standards details examples of area classification of commonly occurring situations, based on the principles of AS/NZS 60079.10, *Electrical apparatus for explosive gas atmospheres, Part 10: Classification of hazardous areas*.

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