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## PREFACE

This Standard was prepared by the Joint Standards Australia/Standards New Zealand Committee WS-014, Plumbing and Drainage, to supersede AS/NZS 3500.1:2003.

*This Standard incorporates Amendment No. 1 (September 2017). 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 provide installers with solutions to comply with—

- (a) the National Construction Code of Australia (NCC), Volume Three, Plumbing Code of Australia (PCA); and
- (b) the New Zealand Building Code (Clause G12, Water Supplies).

This Standard is part of a series for plumbing and drainage, as follows:

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- 3500 Plumbing and drainage
- 3500.0 Part 0: Glossary of terms
- 3500.1 Part 1: Water services (this Standard)
- 3500.2 Part 2: Sanitary plumbing and drainage
- 3500.3 Part 3: Stormwater drainage
- 3500.4 Part 4: Heated water systems
- 3500.5 Part 5: Housing installations

This revision includes changes aligning the requirements with the Plumbing Code of Australia.

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.

Statements expressed in mandatory terms in notes to figures and tables are deemed to be requirements of this Standard.

Notes used in this Standard are of an advisory nature only and are used to give explanation or guidance to the user on recommended considerations or technical procedures, or to provide an informative cross-reference to other documents or publications. Notes to clauses in this Standard do not form a mandatory part for compliance with this Standard.

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Some materials and products used in a water service are provided with instructions for installation and use. Whilst not a requirement of this Standard, or acceptable as an alternative to the requirements of this Standard, compliance with these instructions generally ensures that—

- (i) the material or product is fit for the application;
- (ii) the performance of the system is not degraded;
- (iii) the durability of the material or product is not impaired; and
- (iv) the manufacturer’s warranty remains valid.

## **PROVISION FOR REVISION**

This Standard necessarily deals with existing conditions, but is not intended to discourage innovation or to exclude materials, equipment and methods, which may be developed in future. Revisions will be made from time to time in view of such developments and amendments to this edition will be made only when absolutely necessary.

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