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PREFACE

This Standard was prepared by the Australian members of Joint Standards Australia/Standards New Zealand Committee CE-001, Parking Facilities, to supersede AS 2890.3—1993.

After consultation with stakeholders in both countries, Standards Australia and Standards New Zealand decided to develop this Standard as an Australian Standard rather than an Australian/New Zealand Standard.

Changes of note in this revision include:

- (a) Introduction of a bicycle spacing envelope.
- (b) A new requirement for a minimum of 20% of ground level (horizontal) bicycle parking space in any bicycle parking facility.
- (c) Further guidance for off-carriageway and on-carriageway design requirements.
- (d) Updated typical bicycle dimensions.
- (e) Information about types and characteristics of various styles of bicycles and tricycles.
- (f) Additional guidance for clearance from kerb to parking facilities.
- (g) Guidance for ramp access to underground and above ground parking.

This Standard provides planners, especially those in local government, with a Standard that will enable them to provide safe, secure and convenient parking for bicycles to suit different types of users.

The term 'informative' has been used in this Standard to define the application of the appendix to which it applies. An 'informative' appendix is only for information and guidance.

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FOREWORD

Cycling is an increasingly popular and important mode of travel. Many people are now riding for transport, exercise and recreation. Riding a bike can contribute to improving community health, easing road congestion and reducing atmospheric pollutants. Governments around the world, including all levels of government in Australia, are encouraging more people to ride a bicycle for their trips. The provision of secure bike parking at destination is an important factor that will encourage more people to ride.

The provision of parking spaces for bicycles needs to be carefully considered. There will often be a need for compromise to avoid over-supply of an expensive facility while encouraging bicycle use by the adequate provision of suitable facilities. This may require an assessment of future and suppressed demand. As the demand for parking increases, so should its provision. State and local government regulatory requirements will also need to be taken into account.

In public areas, especially in prominent locations, the community's expectations need to be considered, especially in the provision of convenient, attractive and well-designed facilities. The aesthetic appearance of bicycle parking facilities should not, however, override the requirements for security and ease of use.

Consideration should also be given to other potential users of the space, including pedestrians and especially visually impaired persons.

Bicycle parking which allows only one wheel to be locked to the device, or which supports the bicycle by one wheel only (e.g. wheel in slot), does not provide either proper support or security for the bicycle as a whole. It does not meet the levels of security for bicycle parking described in this Standard, and should not be used in new installations. It is recognized, however, that there are existing installations that do not meet these requirements. In order to meet the need for secure bicycle parking it is recommended that these parking facilities be progressively upgraded or replaced.

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