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PREFACE

This Standard was prepared by the Standards Australia/Standards New Zealand Committee ME/5 on Cranes to cover specific requirements for building maintenance units. It is a result of a consensus among representatives on the Joint Committee to produce it as an Australian Standard. It is intended to be used in conjunction with AS 1418.1, *Cranes (including hoists and winches)*, Part 1: *General requirements*.

This Standard gives guidance to manufacturers, statutory authorities and users in the form of minimum engineering requirements which are necessary for the design, manufacture, installation and commissioning of building maintenance units. In special instances, additional requirements may be necessary for adequate performance or safety.

It should be noted that NOHSC:1010, the National Standard for Plant, issued by the National Occupational Health and Safety Commission to Parliamentary Counsel in the Commonwealth, and various States and Territories jurisdictions for guidance on drafting legislative requirements for the design, manufacture and supply of plant, and the use of plant in the workplace, draws a distinction between the terms 'building maintenance equipment' in general, and 'building maintenance units' in particular. It uses the expression building maintenance unit in a narrower sense than is used in this Standard.

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