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PREFACE

This Standard was prepared by the Joint Australia/New Zealand Standards Committee SF/6 on Eye Protection to supersede AS 1336—1982, *Recommended practices for eye protection in the industrial environment*.

The Standard provides guidance for the selection, care and use of eye protectors worn in occupational environments to protect eyes against hazards, such as flying particles and fragments, and exposure to optical radiation occurring in industrial processes, such as welding. This edition includes recommended methods for elimination or control of eye hazards, provides recommendations for the use of eye protectors which comply with the relevant Australian/New Zealand Standards, and contains basic details for the development of eye safety programs. Appendices providing guidance on selection and use of filters for protection against optical radiation generated during welding and allied operations, ultraviolet and infrared radiation have been included for reference purposes. More extensive information on, and requirements for, eye protectors with prescription lenses, which are expected to provide low impact protection, is given in this edition.

The purpose of this revision is to provide more extensive information about the practicalities and matters that should be considered when producing prescription lenses for safety eyewear, to align the recommendations in this Standard with those in the current editions of [AS/NZS 1337](#), *Eye protectors for industrial applications* and [AS/NZS 1338](#), *Filters for eye protectors*, to provide information on the selection of welding screens which meet the requirements of [AS 3957/NZS 5852](#), *Light-transmitting screens and curtains for welding operations*, and to provide guidance on the selection of eye protectors appropriate to the use of particular lasers.

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