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**Commercial road vehicles—Mechanical
connections between towing vehicles**

**Part 3: 40 mm pin-type couplings and
drawbar eyes (ISO 8755:2001, MOD)**



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PREFACE

This Standard was prepared by the Joint Standards Australia/Standards New Zealand Committee ME-053, Heavy Road Vehicles to supersede AS 2213.3—1998, *Commercial road vehicles—Mechanical connections between towing vehicles, Part 3: 40 mm pin-type couplings and drawbar eyes*. 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.

The purpose of this Standard is to provide dimensions and characteristics of 40 mm pin-type couplings and drawbar eyes to permit interchangeability between towing vehicles and trailers fitted with such couplings.

The purpose of this revision is to adopt the current edition of ISO 8755.

This Standard has been reproduced from ISO 8755:2001, *Commercial road vehicles—40 mm drawbar eye—Interchangeability*. Additional requirements and illustrations have been taken from ISO 3584:2001 and are provided in Annex ZA.

This Standard is part of AS 2213, *Commercial road vehicles—Mechanical connections between towing vehicles*, which covers the design and manufacture of mechanical couplings and is published in parts as follows:

- Part 1: Selection and marking of pin-type couplings and drawbar eyes
- Part 2: 50 mm pin-type couplings and drawbar eyes
- Part 3: 40 mm pin-type couplings and drawbar eyes
- Part 4: Strength tests for pin-type couplings and drawbar eyes for rigid drawbars
- Part 5: Strength tests for pin-type couplings and drawbar eyes for hinged drawbars

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		2213.5	Part 5: Strength tests for pin-type couplings and drawbar eyes for hinged drawbars
12357	Commercial road vehicles— Drawbar couplings and eyes for rigid drawbars—Strength tests	2213.4	Part 4: Strength tests for pin-type couplings and drawbar eyes for rigid drawbars

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AUSTRALIAN STANDARD

Commercial road vehicles—Mechanical connections between towing vehicles

Part 3:

40 mm pin-type couplings and drawbar eyes (ISO 8755:2001, MOD)

1 Scope

This International Standard specifies the characteristics of 40 mm drawbar eyes, necessary for the interchangeability of the coupling components on trailers and permitting interchangeability between towing vehicles and trailers equipped with these components.

This International Standard is applicable to mechanical connections designed for commercial vehicles and trailers, the maximum total mass of which is above 3,5 t.

2 Normative references

The following normative documents contain provisions which, through reference in this text, constitute provisions of this International Standard. For dated references, subsequent amendments to, or revisions of, any of these publications do not apply. However, parties to agreements based on this International Standard are encouraged to investigate the possibility of applying the most recent editions of the normative documents indicated below. For undated references, the latest edition of the normative document referred to applies. Members of ISO and IEC maintain registers of currently valid International Standards.

ISO 8718, *Commercial road vehicles — Drawbar couplings and eyes for hinged drawbars — Strength tests*

ISO 12357, *Commercial road vehicles — Drawbar couplings and eyes for rigid drawbars — Strength tests*

3 Designation

Drawbar eyes meeting the requirements of this International Standard shall be identified by the following information, in the order given and when applicable:

- a) reference to this International Standard;
- b) code D 40 for drawbar eyes (non-classified);
- c) class of drawbar eye according to 4.4 for drawbar eyes meeting the additional requirements specified therein.

EXAMPLE 1 Non-classified 40 mm drawbar eye:

Drawbar eye ISO 8755 D 40

EXAMPLE 2 Classified 40 mm drawbar eye meeting the requirements of class C:

Drawbar eye ISO 8755 D 40-C