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PREFACE

This standard was prepared by the Association's Committee on Lifejackets.

During the course of revising AS 1499, Buoyancy Vests, and AS 1512, Lifejackets, the committee considered that a number of other items which were available for water safety should be included in standards.

This standard has been prepared for devices which are designed to be thrown, or dropped, to a person in water, to assist in rescue.

Guidance on the selection and care of rescue buoys is given in AS 2258, Code for the Selection and Care of Buoyancy Aids. Other related Australian standards are AS 1499 and AS 1512, and—

AS 2260 Buoyancy Garments

AS 2262 Float-off Buoyancy Aids

Some statutory authorities and boating organizations may require evidence from manufacturers that their product complies with the provisions of this standard for rescue buoys. The 'AS' certification trademark of the Standards Association (see Clause 2.8) on a rescue buoy is an independent assurance of such compliance.

This standard requires reference to:

AS 2259 General Requirements for Buoyancy Aids

AS 1177 Methods for Determining the Colour Fastness of Textiles
Part 2—Colour Fastness to Light—Daylight

AS L15 Methods for Determining the Colour Fastness of Textiles
Part XIV—Colour Fastness to Sea Water

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