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- Part 5: Symbols for operator controls and other displays
- Part 6: Safety Code
- Part 7: Terminology
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- Part 9: High-lift rider trucks—Overhead guards—Specification and testing
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- Part 11: Fork-lift trucks—Hook-on type fork arms and fork carriers—Mounting dimensions
- Part 12: Hazardous areas
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- Part 14: Fork arms—Technical characteristics and testing
- Part 15: Fork-arm extension and telescopic fork arms—Technical characteristics and strength requirements
- Part 16: Safety signs and hazard pictorials—General principles (this Standard)
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## AUSTRALIAN STANDARD

### Powered industrial trucks

#### Part 16:

#### Safety sign and hazard pictorials—General principles

### 1 Scope

This International Standard establishes general principles for the design and application of safety signs and hazard pictorials permanently affixed to all types of industrial truck including those defined in ISO 5053. This International Standard outlines safety sign objectives, describes the basic safety sign formats and colours, and provides guidance on developing the various panels that together constitute a safety sign.

### 2 Normative reference

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ISO 5053:1987, *Powered industrial trucks — Terminology*.

### 3 Objectives of safety signs

#### 3.1 The objectives of a safety sign are

- to alert persons to an existing or potential hazard,
- to identify the hazard,
- to describe the nature of the hazard,
- to explain the consequences of potential injury from the hazard, and
- to instruct persons about how to avoid the hazard.

#### 3.2 In achieving these objectives, a safety sign

- should be distinctive on the equipment,
- should be in a clearly visible location,
- should be protected to the greatest extent practicable from damage and obliteration, and
- should have a reasonably long life expectancy.

**3.3** Safety signs and hazard pictorials shall be located on the machine or in the operating service instruction manuals, as appropriate. Safety signs and hazard pictorials located on the machine shall be located near the location of the hazard or the control area to prevent the hazard.