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## PREFACE

This Standard was prepared by the Joint Australian/New Zealand Committee CS-085, Child Restraints.

The objective of the Standard is to provide minimum requirements for the design, construction, performance and informative labelling for products sold separately as accessories for child restraints covered by AS/NZS 1754, *Child restraint systems for use in motor vehicles*.

One of the general principles of this Standard is that accessories do not compromise the compliance of any restraint on which they are used nor increase the risk of injury for the child. These principles are expanded on in Appendix A.

It is acknowledged that some of the accessories covered by this Standard are desirable for use with child restraints when transporting some children with disabilities or medical conditions. For specific guidance on child restraints for children with disabilities, see AS/NZS 4370, *Restraint of children with disabilities in motor vehicles*.

Straps that include fittings for the connection to ISOFIX low anchorages in vehicles are not included in this Standard as it is considered that there are risks for children if these straps are applied to child restraints that are not designed for this method of installation. AS/NZS 1754 does not permit connection straps that are not attached to the child restraint and requires child restraints to include advice that the addition of ISOFIX compatible attachment connectors are not to be used on child restraints that are not designed for these connectors.

Attention is drawn to the Australian Federal Government's Consumer Protection Notice No. 4, which requires compliance of certain components used with child restraints, and to components that anchor a child restraint to the vehicle. The Notice is available from the Australian Consumer and Competition Commission.

The terms 'normative' and 'informative' have been used in this Standard to define the application of the appendix to which they apply. A 'normative' appendix is an integral part of a Standard, whereas an 'informative' appendix is only for information and guidance.

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## SECTION 1 SCOPE AND GENERAL

**1.1 SCOPE**

This Standard specifies requirements and test methods for accessories and add-on devices to be used with child restraints, as defined in AS/NZS 1754, and items that are to be used to improve the comfort or fit of adult restraints for children.

Examples of items covered by this Standard include those designed to substitute for existing components of a child restraint (e.g. covers), those designed to enhance a child's comfort, to provide entertainment, for storage, to facilitate restraint fitment to some vehicles or in some circumstances, to limit the propensity for a child to be able to unbuckle themselves from a restraint inappropriately.

Excluded from this Standard are—

- (a) devices that adapt adult seatbelts to better fit a child or to convert a lap-sash to lap-only belt, as these are covered by AS/NZS 1754, i.e. Type H converters;
- (b) manufacturer-supplied replacement parts for items that form part of the restraint when originally certified under AS/NZS 1754, whose performance is thus controlled by AS/NZS 1754; and
- (c) devices that are designed to be permanently fitted to a vehicle to allow for child restraint installation.

This Standard does not cover accessories that are intended for vehicle occupants over 16 years of age.

**1.2 APPLICATION**

This Standard comprises sections providing requirements for various categories of accessories. Sections 2, 3 and 4 are general requirements that apply to all accessories. In addition to these requirements, specific requirements for categories of accessory are covered in Sections 5 to 12. An accessory is generally expected to be met by one of these specific sections but shall meet all of the applicable requirements from Sections 2, 3 and 4.

**1.3 REFERENCED DOCUMENTS**

The following documents are referred to in this Standard:

AS

1753 Webbing for restraining devices for occupants of motor vehicles

2001 Methods of test for textiles

2001.5.4 Method 5.4: Dimensional change—Domestic washing and drying procedures for textile testing (ISO 6330:2000, MOD)

2700 Colour Standards for general purposes

2331 Methods of tests for metallic and related coatings

2331.3.1 Method 3.1: Corrosion and related property tests—Neutral salt spray (NSS) test