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REVISED TEXT

The 1989 edition of AS 1754.1 is amended as follows; the amendment(s) should be inserted in the appropriate place.

**SUMMARY:** This Amendment applies to Clause 1.5, Clause 2.5, Clause 3.2, Clause 3.5.3, Clause 3.5.4, Clause 4.1, Clause 4.2, Clause 4.1 and new footnote to Page 11.

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**Page 4 and Page 5. Clause 1.5.**

Delete the Clause and substitute:

**1.5 REFERENCED DOCUMENTS.** The documents below are referred to in this Standard.

<p>AS 1249 Children's nightclothes having reduced fire hazard</p> <p>1753 Webbing for restraining devices for occupants of motor vehicles</p> <p>2596 Seat belt assemblies for motor vehicles</p> <p>2597 Methods of testing seat belts</p> <p>2597.1 Part 1: Determination of webbing durability in adjustment duty</p> <p>2597.4 Part 4: Determination of potential for inadvertent buckle release</p> <p>2597.6 Part 6: Determination of adjustment device forces</p> <p>2597.7 Part 7: Determination of locking angle of tiltlock adjustment device</p> <p>2755 Textile fabrics—Determination of burning behaviour</p> <p>2755.3 Part 3: Determination of surface burning time</p> <p>3629 Methods of testing child restraints</p> <p>3629.1 Part 1: Dynamic tests</p> <p>3629.2 Part 2: Determination of hazardous contact in abnormal situations</p>	<p>E35.1 Part 1: Seat belt assemblies for motor vehicles</p> <p>E35.2 Part 2: Seat belt assemblies (including retractors) for motor vehicles</p> <p>ADR 4 Australian design rules for seat belts (and subsequent editions)</p> <p>5 &amp; 5B Australian design rules for seat belt anchorages (2nd edition)</p> <p>5/90 Australian design rules for anchorages for seat belts and child restraints (and subsequent editions)</p> <p>34 &amp; 34A Australian design rules for child restraint anchorages (2nd edition)</p> <p>ISO 3795 Road vehicles—Determination of burning behaviour of interior materials for motor vehicles</p> <p>ASTM B 117 Method for salt spray (fog) testing</p> <p>FMVSS 302 Flammability of interior materials—Passenger cars, multipurpose passenger vehicles, trucks and buses</p> <p>SAE J369a Flammability of automotive interior materials—Horizontal test method</p>
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**Page 8. Clause 2.5.**

Delete existing clause and substitute:

**UNCOATED FABRICS.** Uncoated fabrics, including trimmings and attachments, but excluding webbing, shall be subjected to the surface burning test as specified in AS 2755.3, and the results determined in accordance with the provisions thereof shall comply with the following requirement:

The minimum surface burning time shall be not less than 10 s.

The fabrics shall meet the above requirement both before and after washing in accordance with AS 1249.

**Page 8. Clause 3.2.**

Delete Item (d) and substitute:

(d) Any crotch strap shall be designed and located so as not to load the genital region of the child. It shall provide for a maximum length, but may be adjustable within that length.

**Page 8. Clause 3.2.**

Delete Item (f) and substitute:

(f) The means of harness adjustment(s) shall be visible and accessible to an adult operator, when the child restraint is installed in a vehicle.

AMDT Page 8. Clause 3.2.

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*Delete Item (g).*

AMDT Page 9. Clause 3.5.3.

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*Delete the word 'should' in the second paragraph of Item (c) and substitute the word 'shall'.*

Page 9. Clause 3.5.4.

*Delete the second paragraph and substitute:*  
Anchorage components shall not load the webbing appreciably off-centre during forward or rearward decelerations to the vehicle.

AMDT Page 11. Clause 4.1.

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*Add new paragraph as follows:*  
Child restraints shall be tested using the dummy applicable to each type of child restraint, and specified in the respective part of AS 1754. Test dummies shall be as specified in technical drawings produced by TNO (Research Institute for Road Vehicles)\*, Netherlands.

Page 11. Clause 4.2.

*Delete Item (d) and substitute:*  
Other than where leg straps are incorporated, show no contact of the harness or straps with the genital region of the dummy.

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*Add new footnote as follows:*

\* TNO address: Schoemaker Street, 972628, VK Delft, Netherlands.

AMDT Page 11. Table 4.1.

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*Delete the table and substitute:*

TABLE 4.1  
TEST SCHEDULE

Test specimen		Test method
Complete child restraint		Dynamic performance AS 3629.1 (see Clause 4.2)
		Frontal
		Sideways
		Rearwards
Complete child restraint		Emergency release performance (see Clause 3.4(a))
Complete child restraint		Hazardous throat contact AS 3629.2 (see AS 1754.4)
Metals		ASTM B 177 (see Clause 2.4)
Fabrics and chair material	Uncoated fabrics	AS 1249, AS 2755.3 (see Clause 2.5)
	Coated fabrics and chair material	SAE J369a (see Clause 2.6)
Each adjuster		Adjustment operation, AS 2597.6, AS 2597.7 (see Clause 3.8)
Adjusters (webbing)		Durability test, AS 2597.1 (see Clause 3.10)
Quick release device		Partial engagement potential (see Clause 3.4(d))
Quick release device		Inadvertent release potential, (see Clause 3.4(e))

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## PREFACE

This Standard was prepared by the Standards Australia Committee on Automotive Occupant Restraints, to supersede (in part) AS 1754—1975, *Child restraints for passenger cars and derivatives* which will be withdrawn at a date to be decided and after sufficient time has elapsed for manufacturers and others to change to this Standard.

This Standard deals with general requirements for all types of child restraints. Other Standards in this series specify additional requirements for the different types of child restraints.

The methods of testing child restraints are presented in a separate series of Standards (AS 3629), the first of which is the dynamic test method, which is being published simultaneously with this Standard.

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## CHILD RESTRAINT SYSTEMS FOR USE IN MOTOR VEHICLES

## PART 1: GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

## SECTION 1. SCOPE AND GENERAL

**1.1 SCOPE.** This Standard specifies general requirements for restraining devices for child occupants of passenger cars and their derivatives, such devices being intended, when properly selected, correctly installed, and correctly adjusted, to reduce the risk of bodily injury in a vehicle impact. The devices may also have application to other types of vehicle.

**1.2 APPLICATION.** This Standard should be read in conjunction with the appropriate Standard for a specific type of child restraint.

**1.3 NEW DESIGNS AND INNOVATIONS.** Any novel designs, materials, methods of attachments, procedures, etc, which do not comply with a specific requirement of this Standard, or are not mentioned in it, but which give equivalent results and performance to those specified, are not necessarily prohibited. The SAA Committee on Automotive Occupant Restraints can act in an advisory capacity concerning equivalent suitability, but specific approval remains the prerogative of the relevant authority.

**1.4 TYPE DESIGNATION.** Child restraints shall be designated in accordance with the following.

- (a) Type A1—rearward-facing enclosing restraint, normally suitable for children whose mass is up to 9 kg, and corresponding supine length is up to 700 mm.
- (b) Type A2—transversely installed enclosing restraint, normally suitable for children whose mass is up to 9 kg, and corresponding supine length is up to 700 mm.
- (c) Type B—forward-facing chair with harness, normally suitable for children whose mass is within the range 8 kg to 18 kg.
- (d) Type C1—forward-facing harness without chair, not incorporating an adult seat belt; normally suitable for children whose mass is within the range 14 kg to 21 kg.
- (e) Type C2—forward-facing harness without chair, incorporating an adult lap seat belt or a converted lap-sash seat belt; normally suitable for children whose mass is within the range 14 kg to 21 kg.
- (f) Type D—forward-facing enclosing restraint, normally suitable for children whose mass is within the range 8 kg to 18 kg.
- (g) Type E—rearward-facing enclosing restraint, normally suitable for children whose mass is within the range 8 kg to 18 kg.
- (h) Type F—rearward-facing chair with harness, normally suitable for children whose mass is within the range 8 kg to 18 kg.
- (i) Type G—a restraint consisting of a cushion, chaise, or converter used in conjunction with an adult lap-sash seat belt or Type C1 or Type C2 child restraint; normally suitable for children whose mass is within the range 14 kg to 21 kg.

NOTE: If the upper torso restraint is provided by an adult lap-sash seat belt, Type G child restraints may be suitable for children whose mass is up to 36 kg.

Converters, cushions, or chaises, as appropriate, may be included in some types of child restraints if applicable.

SEE AMENDMENT 1

**1.5 REFERENCED DOCUMENTS.** The documents below are referred to in this Standard.

- AS 1176 Textiles—Methods of test for combustion properties
  - 1176.1 Part 1: The determination of ease of ignition of certain textile materials in a horizontal plane
  - 1176.2 Part 2: The determination of burning time of textile materials
  - 1176.3 Part 3: Determination of surface burning properties of certain textile materials
- 1248 Fabric for domestic apparel of the low fire hazard type
- 1753 Webbing for restraining devices for occupants of motor vehicles
- 2596 Seat belt assemblies for motor vehicles
- 2597 Methods of testing seat belts
  - 2597.1 Part 1: Determination of webbing durability in adjustment duty
  - 2597.4 Part 4: Determination of potential for inadvertent buckle release
  - 2597.6 Part 6: Determination of adjustment device forces
  - 2597.7 Part 7: Determination of locking angle of tilt-lock adjustment device
- 3629 Methods of testing child restraints
  - 3629.1 Part 1: Dynamic test
- E35.1 Part 1: Seat belt assemblies for motor vehicles
- E35.2 Part 2: Seat belt assemblies (including retractors) for motor vehicles