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## Preface

This Standard was prepared by the Standards Australia Committee ME-063, Earthmoving Equipment.

The objective of this document is to establish general principles and give requirements for the design and application of machine safety labels to be permanently affixed to earth-moving machinery as defined in ISO 6165.

This document outlines the objectives of signage, describes basic formats, specifies colours and provides guidance on developing the various panels that together constitute a label.

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## Foreword

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This second edition cancels and replaces the first edition (ISO 9244:1995), which has been technically revised.

## Introduction

The purpose of this International Standard is to provide, for earth-moving machinery, general principles for the design and application of machine safety labels to alert persons to a hazard, describe the nature of that hazard, describe the consequences of potential injury from it, and instruct persons on how to avoid it. The continued growth in international trade and commerce has made it necessary to establish a universal communication method for conveying safety information.

This International Standard satisfies the global need to harmonize the system for conveying safety information using graphical means so that it relies as little as possible on the use of text messages. Machine safety labels that include text can be used when some of the necessary safety information cannot be communicated in graphical form.

Education is an essential part of any system that provides safety information. Although safety colours and signs are essential to any safety information system, they can be used only to supplement job site management practices such as proper working methods, instructions, accident prevention measures and training.

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## Earth-moving machinery — Machine safety labels — General principles

### 1 Scope

This International Standard establishes general principles and gives requirements for the design and application of machine safety labels to be permanently affixed to earth-moving machinery as defined in ISO 6165. It outlines the objectives of signage, describes basic formats, specifies colours and provides guidance on developing the various panels that together constitute a label.

### 2 Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

ISO 6165, *Earth-moving machinery - Basic types - Identification and terms and definitions*

ISO 6750, *Earth-moving machinery - Operator's manual - Content and format*

### 3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply.

#### 3.1

##### **border**

area between the edge of a sign and the panel

#### 3.2

##### **CAUTION**

signal word used to indicate a potentially hazardous situation which, if not avoided, may result in minor or moderate injury

[SOURCE: ISO 3864-2]

#### 3.3

##### **combination machine safety label**

combination of machine safety sign and/or supplementary safety information and/or hazard severity panel on one rectangular label

Note 1 to entry: A combination machine safety label conveys one safety message.

Note 2 to entry: Adopted from ISO 3864-2:2004, definition 3.2.

#### 3.4

##### **DANGER**

signal word used to indicate an imminently hazardous situation which, if not avoided, will result in death or serious injury

[SOURCE: ISO 3864-2]

#### 3.5

##### **graphical symbol**

visually perceptible figure with a particular meaning, used to transmit information independently of language