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Preface

This Standard was prepared by the Joint Standards Australia/Standards New Zealand Committee SF-041, Safety of Machinery, to supersede AS 4024.1603—2006, *Safety of machinery, Part 1603: Design of controls, interlocks and guards — Prevention of unexpected start-up* and its Amendment No. 1 (2015).

This Standard incorporates Amendment No. 1 (Month 2020). The changes required by the Amendment are indicated in the text by a marginal bar and amendment number against the clause, note, table, figure or part thereof affected.

The objective of this Standard is to specify requirements for designed-in means aimed at preventing unexpected machine start-up (see Clause 3.2) to allow safe human interventions in danger zones (see Annex A).

This Standard applies to unexpected start-up from all types of energy source, i.e.:

- (a) power supply, e.g. electrical, hydraulic, pneumatic;
- (b) stored energy due to, e.g. gravity, compressed springs; and
- (c) external influences, e.g. from wind.

This Standard does not specify performance levels or safety integrity levels for safety-related parts of control systems. While available means to prevent unexpected start-up are identified, this document does not specify the means for the prevention of unexpected machine start-up for specific machines.

A1 | NOTE An AS 4024.3000 series Standard or an ISO/EN type-C Standard (where there is no equivalent Australian or Australian/New Zealand Standard) can define the required means for the prevention of harm arising from unexpected start-up. Otherwise, the requirements for a specific machine need to be determined by risk assessment outside the scope of this document, refer to AS/NZS 4024.1201 and AS/NZS 4024.1303 for further information on risk assessment.

This Standard is identical with, and has been reproduced from, ISO 14118:2017, *Safety of machinery — Prevention of unexpected start-up*.

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The terms “normative” and “informative” are used in Standards to define the application of the appendices or annexes to which they apply. A “normative” appendix or annex is an integral part of a Standard, whereas an “informative” appendix or annex is only for information and guidance.

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Foreword

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This document was prepared by Technical Committee ISO/TC 199, *Safety of machinery*.

This second edition cancels and replaces the first edition (ISO 14118:2000), which has been technically revised and contains the following changes:

- the text has been edited to facilitate implementation of this document;
- the Scope has been redefined to exclude the specification of performance levels or safety integrity levels for safety-related parts of control systems;
- [Figure 1](#) has been updated.

Introduction

The structure of safety standards in the field of machinery is as follows:

- a) type-A standards (basic safety standards) giving basic concepts, principles for design, and general aspects that can be applied to all machinery;
- b) type-B standards (generic safety standards) dealing with one safety aspect or one or more type(s) of safeguard that can be used across a wide range of machinery:
 - type-B1 standards on particular safety aspects (e.g. safety distances, surface temperature, noise);
 - type-B2 standards on safeguards (e.g. two-hand controls, interlocking devices, pressure sensitive devices, guards);
- c) type-C standards (machine safety standards) dealing with detailed safety requirements for a particular machine or group of machines.

This document is a type-B standard as stated in ISO 12100.

This document is of relevance, in particular, for the following stakeholder groups representing the market players with regard to machinery safety:

- machine manufacturers (small, medium and large enterprises);
- health and safety bodies (regulators, accident prevention organizations, market surveillance, etc.)

Others can be affected by the level of machinery safety achieved with the means of the document by the above-mentioned stakeholder groups:

- machine users/employers (small, medium and large enterprises);
- machine users/employees (e.g. trade unions, organizations for people with special needs);
- service providers, e.g. for maintenance (small, medium and large enterprises);
- consumers (in case of machinery intended for use by consumers).

The above-mentioned stakeholder groups have been given the possibility to participate at the drafting process of this document.

In addition, this document is intended for standardization bodies elaborating type-C standards.

The requirements of this document can be supplemented or modified by a type-C standard.

For machines which are covered by the scope of a type-C standard and which have been designed and built according to the requirements of that standard, the requirements of that type-C standard take precedence.

Keeping a machine in a stopped condition while persons are present in danger zones is one of the most important conditions of the safe use of machinery and hence, one of the major aims of the machine designer and machine user.

In the past, the concepts of “operating machine” and “stopped machine” were generally unambiguous; a machine was

- operating when its movable elements or some of them were moving;
- stopped when its movable elements were at rest.

Machine automation has made the relationship between “operating” and “moving” on one hand and “stopped” and “at rest” on the other hand, more difficult to define. Automation has also increased the