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This Standard was prepared by the Joint Standards Australia/Standards New Zealand Committee on Cranes to cover specific requirements for the safe use of elevating work platforms. It is intended for use in conjunction with AS 2550.1—1993, *Cranes—Safe use*, Part 1: *General requirements*.

This Part 10 of *Cranes—Safe use*, specifies the requirements which apply to elevating work platforms. Additional requirements are to be covered by subsequent parts.

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**1 SCOPE** This Standard specifies the requirements for the safe use of elevating work platforms. It is complementary to AS 2550.1, but the requirements given herein shall take precedence over the corresponding requirements of AS 2550.1.

It does not cover the specific requirements for the use of elevating work platforms for work on or near live electrical equipment by authorized electricity supply authority persons or their contractors while working for the electricity supply authority as referenced in Clause 9.3. All other requirements given herein shall apply.

**2 REFERENCED DOCUMENTS** The following documents are referred to in this Standard:

AS

1418 Cranes (including hoists and winches)

- 1418.1 Part 1: General requirements
- 1418.10 Part 10: Elevating work platforms
- 1891 Industrial safety belts and harnesses
- 2549 Cranes—Glossary of terms

2550 Cranes—Safe use

- 2550.1 Part 1: General requirements
- 3504 Fire blankets

**3 DEFINITIONS** For the purpose of this Standard the definitions given in AS 2549, AS 2550.1 and that below apply.

**3.1 Elevating work platforms**—a telescoping device, scissor device, or articulated device, or any combination thereof used to position personnel, equipment and materials at work locations above or below the base support surface.

**4 PLANNING** The planning for the use of elevating work platforms shall be in accordance with AS 2550.1.

**5 SELECTION** The general matters to be considered before selecting an elevating work platform for a specific operation shall be as given in AS 2550.1. In addition the following shall be considered:

- (a) Working height and reach.
- (b) Mass and bulk of materials, equipment and tools to be elevated.
- (c) Required size and rated capacity of the platform.
- (d) Wind loading.
- (e) Wheel and outrigger or stabilizer loadings imparted to the support surface.