

STATEMENT



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Update on AS 11000, *General Conditions of Contract*

The Standards Development and Accreditation Committee (SDAC), a committee of the Standards Australia Board of Directors recently considered and delivered its decision on the development of AS 11000, *General conditions of contract*.

The Standards Australia Technical Committee MB-010, General Conditions of Contract, completed their work on AS 11000. This involved extensive development and consultation with all stakeholders.

Despite the Technical Committee's best efforts and commitment to the draft, the document was not supported by the full spectrum of interests.

SDAC discussed the available options, including the publication of AS 11000 as an Interim Standard or as an Australian Technical Specification. These options were not supported at this stage.

The SDAC members noted the consultations undertaken to date by Standards Australia to enable an open and transparent process and the excellent effort of MB-010 members on the draft.

However, the members of SDAC resolved the implementation of a number of actions in relation to the future of AS 11000. As a result, Standards Australia will:

- Engage with all stakeholders out-of-session;
- Cancel the current project and recommence work when a new project proposal is submitted and approved for development by Standards Australia; and
- Reconstitute MB-010, General Conditions of Contract, to broaden stakeholder representation.

Standards Australia recognises the participation and contributions of a range of stakeholders in their efforts to progress the AS 11000 draft. Standards Australia accepts the outcome of the project and is committed to engaging in further consultation with all stakeholders to determine the future of AS 11000.

The work of MB-010 will provide valuable input into the future project for the development of AS 11000. Standards Australia also acknowledges that the work of MB-010 on the development of standards for subcontract and dispute resolution offers an extensive collection of documents for stakeholders.

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