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Foreword

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*Part 1: Management of healthcare risk waste from a healthcare facility.*

*Part 2: Management of healthcare risk waste for healthcare facilities and healthcare providers in rural and remote settings.*

*Part 3: Management of healthcare risk waste from minor generators – Registered healthcare professionals and non-healthcare professionals.*

Annex A forms an integral part of this document. Annexes B and C are for information only.

Introduction

This document intends to give guidance to minor generators in the management of healthcare risk waste generated by registered healthcare professionals and non-healthcare professionals.

Generators of healthcare risk waste are responsible for the waste from the time of generation of the waste all the way through to the safe legal disposal thereof, i.e. from cradle to grave.
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Part 3:
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1 Scope

This standard specifies provisions and requirements for the safe management of healthcare risk waste generated by registered healthcare professionals and non-healthcare professionals.

NOTE 1 Registered healthcare professionals refers to medical general practitioners, dentists, physical therapists, chiropractors, optometrists, biokinetists, acupuncturists, and similar.

NOTE 2 Non-healthcare professionals refers to tattoo artists, body piercing artists, funeral home directors, traditional healers, and similar.

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. Information on currently valid national and international standards can be obtained from the SABS Standards Division.

SANS 452, Non-reusable and reusable sharps containers.

SANS 1518, Transport of dangerous goods – Design, construction, testing, approval and maintenance of road vehicles and portable tanks.

SANS 10228, The identification and classification of dangerous goods for transport.

SANS 10231, Transport of dangerous goods – Operational requirements for road vehicles.

