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NOTE 2 It is recommended that authorities who wish to incorporate any part of this standard into any legislation in the manner intended by section 31 of the Act consult the SABS regarding the implications.

This standard will be revised when necessary in order to keep abreast of progress. Comment will be welcome and will be considered when the standard is revised.

Preface

The technical committee responsible for this specification accepted most of the text of the annexes to EEC Directive 74/408 of 1974 and its amending Directive EEC 81/577 of 1981, which relate to the strength of seats and of their anchorages. The text of Annex I is similar to that of ECE Regulation 17; in particular, the subdivisions of the sections are the same. Where an item of ECE Regulation 17 has no corresponding item in this annex, the number is shown in brackets for the record.

The words "Directive" and "specifications", where they appear in the EEC text, are not appropriate in a South African standard and have been replaced by the words "specification" and "requirements", respectively. Changes have been made to certain parameters to bring them into line with the SI system of units as used in South Africa, but the values of the parameters in each case have remained unchanged.

A scope and an appendix covering applicable standards have been added.

Certain deletions from and additions to the original text have been made in accordance with the committee's decisions; the deletions mostly concern type approval aspects that are not acceptable in the South African system. Additions are identified by the use of geometric type face but, because they are numerous, they are not indicated in this preface. The deletions of whole items are identified in the text and are as follows:

- a) Items 3, 4 and 9 of Annex I;
- b) Annex II; and
- c) Annex IV.

The word "shall" has been used throughout in preference to the word "must".

This specification (derived from EEC Directive 74/408 and the amending EEC Directive 81/577, with modifications) will be operated in parallel with SABS 1052:1979 for a period of time, after which SABS 1052:1979 will be withdrawn.

Attention is drawn to the applicable standards given in appendix A of this standard. These references are indispensable for the application of this standard.

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