



## Status of Standards Australia Project

### Artificial Climbing Structures and Challenge Courses

Climbing, Abseiling, Challenge Courses, Flying Foxes & Canopy Tours

## To Date

The committee has

1. reviewed public comment on a draft of *Artificial climbing structures and challenge courses, Part 1 : Fixed and mobile artificial climbing and abseiling walls.*

It is expected that the revised (post public comment) version of *Part 1.* will be made available to the committee in late January 2009.

2. commenced work on a draft of *Artificial climbing structures and challenge courses, Part 2 : Flying Foxes.*

## A Midstream Change

In October 2008 Standards Australia (SA) implemented a New Business Model.

Implementation of the New Model involved a wide ranging review of all current Standards Projects. An assessment was undertaken by the SA Project Review Team and has determined those projects with the greatest priority.

Each project was reviewed against a common set of criteria which included:

- Risk and impact of not proceeding - What is the level of risk and extent of negative impact on stakeholders and industry should the project not proceed?
- Criticality - Does this project address an urgent safety or market failure matter?
- International adoption- Does this project conflict with an International project? Does this Standard need to be modified from or to an International Standard? Has a Committee made significant contributions to the development of an International Standard?
- Stage of process - How long does this project have to go before it is completed?

As part of the review, projects have been assessed into three categories:

- Active Projects
- Provisional Projects
- Projects Requiring Resubmission

## Present Status

*Part 1* and *Part 2* of this project have been categorised by Standards Australia as '**Provisional**'.

*"Projects marked as Provisional have been identified as having significant benefit to stakeholders and communities of interest, however, they cannot be fully resourced by SA at the current time. These projects may be reconsidered as resources become available and may be best served by one of the Pathways offered through the New SA Business Model" - SA*

## Next Step

The committee will now explore the new project development pathways that have been defined in the New SA Business Model (see [www.standards.org.au](http://www.standards.org.au) for pathway options). We will update this page as things progress.

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