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**CODE OF PRACTICE FOR THE SELECTION, CARE AND MAINTENANCE
OF STEEL WIRE ROPES FOR HOISTING**

FOREWORD

This code of practice was first drawn up in 1986 and was revised in 1996 by the Technical Committee on Hoisting and Lifting Systems under the direction of the Mechanical Standards Committee. The aim is to bring the code up-to-date by incorporating current international practices applicable for use in Singapore. It complements the Singapore Standard, SS 297 - 'Specification for Steel Wire Ropes for Hoisting'.

The objective of this code is to establish a sound practice for the safe and economical application of steel wire ropes. It provides equipment owners, operators and maintenance personnel with a guide on the proper selection, care and maintenance of steel wire ropes.

The major changes from the 1986 edition of this Code are as follows:

- (a) The respective sections were expanded and re-organised to cover areas which had not been adequately addressed previously;
- (b) Irrelevant charts and tables were deleted; and
- (c) Additional drawings and definitions were incorporated to enhance clarity, with end-users in mind.

In preparing this code, reference was made to the following publications:

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| (1) | BS 6570 : 1986 | Code of practice for the selection, care and maintenance of steel wire ropes |
| (2) | ISO 2408 : 1985 | Steel wire ropes for general purposes - Characteristics |
| (3) | ISO 4308 : - | Cranes and lifting appliances - Selection of wire ropes
Part 1 : 1986 : General
Part 2 : 1988 : Mobile cranes - Coefficient of utilization |
| (4) | ISO 4309 : 1990 | Wire rope for lifting appliances - Code of practice for examination and discard |
| (5) | SS ISO 1000 : 1992 | SI units and recommendations for the use of their multiples and of certain other units. |

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- (6) Lifting Tackle Manual by the Construction Safety Association of Ontario, Canada; and
- (7) Wire Rope Users Manual (3rd edition, 1993) by the Wire Rope Technical Board, USA

Acknowledgement is made for the use of information from the above overseas references.

NOTE

1. Singapore Standards are subject to periodic review to keep abreast of technological changes and new technical developments. The revisions of Singapore Standards are announced through the issue of either amendment slips or revised editions.
2. Compliance with a Singapore Standard does not exempt users from legal obligations.

1. SCOPE

This code of practice covers the selection, care and maintenance of steel wire ropes for hoisting as specified in Singapore Standard, SS 297.

Note: The titles of the publications referred to in this standard are listed at the end of the standard.