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## **Foreword**

This Singapore Standard was prepared by the Working Group appointed by the Technical Committee on Resource Efficiency under the direction of the Environment Standards Committee.

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

- AS/NZS 3831:1998 *Waste Management - Glossary of Terms*
- ASTM D5681-09: 2013 *Standard Terminology for Waste and Waste Management*
- BS EN 13965-2: 2000 *Characterization of Waste – Terminology Part 2: Management related Terms and Definitions*
- CUGE Standards CS A03:2013 *Specifications for Soil Mixture for General Landscaping Use*
- Environment Public Health Act
- Environment Public Health (General Waste Collection) Regulations
- Environment Public Health (Public Cleansing) Regulations
- Environment Public Health (Toxic Industrial Waste) Regulations
- Workplace Safety and Health (Asbestos) Regulations
- Hazardous Waste (Control of Export, Import and Transit) Act
- NEA Code of Practice for Licensed General Waste Collector
- Radiation Protection Act

Acknowledgement is made for the use of information from the above publications.

At the time of publication, this standard is expected to be used by the relevant authorities, waste management companies and disposal facilities as well as professionals and service providers within the industry which includes waste collection, recycling and treatment activities.

When similar terms are defined in Statutory Acts and Regulations (see examples in Annex A), these definitions will take precedence, read and understood in the right context, as stipulated by law.

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## **Terminology for waste management**

### **1 Scope and purpose**

#### **1.1 Scope**

This Singapore Standard defines terms that are commonly used in the area of waste and waste management. It is aligned with the current terminology used in the local waste management industry, as well as in regulations.

#### **1.2 Purpose**

This Standard has been written to assist organisations that are involved and engaged in waste management. It is intended to provide a common basis for communication among organisations and regulatory bodies.

### **2 Normative reference**

There is no normative reference cited in this standard.