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Foreword

This Singapore Standard was prepared by the Working Group on Design and Management of Aquatic Facilities set up by the Technical Committee on Architectural Works under the purview of the Building and Construction Standards Committee.

This standard is a revision of SS 556:2010 'Code of practice for the design and management of aquatic facilities'. The key changes are as follows:

- (a) Updating the terms and definitions to align with industry practices.
- (b) Updating the annexes, figures and tables to align with industry practices.
- (c) Updating access and egress requirements.
- (d) Updating aquatic play facilities and water slides requirements and references.
- (e) Updating water turnover for all aquatic facilities.
- (f) Updating water treatment sections.
- (g) Categorising various aquatic facilities for ease of reference.
- (h) Incorporating recommendations and requirements from the latest relevant local and overseas standards.

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In preparing this standard, reference was made to the Western Australia Code of practice for the design, construction, operation, management and maintenance of aquatic facilities (Department of Health 2007).

Acknowledgement is made to the Department of Health, Western Australia for their permission to reproduce materials from their publications into this standard.

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Code of practice for the design and management of aquatic facilities

1 Scope

This standard specifies the general requirements for the design, construction, installation of equipment, operation, management and maintenance of aquatic facilities in Singapore. It is intended to ensure the safety, well-being and recreational benefits of facility users, as well as personnel who may become involved in the aforementioned aspects of design, construction, installation of equipment, operation, management and maintenance of the aquatic facilities.

Special care is required in applying this standard alone to equipment for which no product specific standard has yet to be published.

For aquatic facilities in landed homes, the owner may decide on appropriate requirements to adopt.

2 Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application of this standard. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

ASTM F2376	Standard practice for classification, design, manufacture, construction and operation of water slide systems
EN 1069-1	Water slides. Safety requirements and test methods
SS 531	Code of practice for lighting of work places
SS 555 (all parts)	Protection against lightning
SS 636	Code of practice for water services
SS 638	Code of practice for electrical installations