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## Foreword

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This document was prepared by Technical Committee ISO/TC 70, *Internal combustion engines*.

This third edition cancels and replaces the second edition (ISO 8528-2:2005), of which it constitutes a minor revision.

The main changes compared to the previous edition are as follows:

- the normative references have been updated;
- editorial changes have been made.

A list of all parts in ISO 8528 series can be found on the ISO website.

# Reciprocating internal combustion engine driven alternating current generating sets —

## Part 2: Engines

### 1 Scope

This document specifies the principal characteristics of Reciprocating Internal Combustion (RIC) engines when used for alternating current (a.c.) generating set applications.

It applies to RIC engines for a.c. generating sets for land and marine use, excluding generating sets used on aircraft or to propel land vehicles and locomotives.

For some specific applications (e.g. essential hospital supplies, high rise buildings), supplementary requirements can be necessary. The provisions of this document can be regarded as the basis for establishing any supplementary requirements.

The terms which define the speed governing and speed characteristics of RIC engines are listed and explained where they apply specifically to the use of the engine for driving a.c. generators.

For other reciprocating-type prime movers (e.g. steam engines), the provisions of this document can be used as a basis for establishing these requirements.

### 2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

ISO 3046-1, *Reciprocating internal combustion engines — Performance — Part 1: Declarations of power, fuel and lubricating oil consumptions, and test methods — Additional requirements for engines for general use*

ISO 8528-1:2018, *Reciprocating internal combustion engine driven alternating current generating sets — Part 1: Application, ratings and performance*

ISO 8528-5, *Reciprocating internal combustion engine driven alternating current generating sets — Part 5: Generating sets*

### 3 Terms, symbols, and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply.

ISO and IEC maintain terminological databases for use in standardization at the following addresses:

- ISO Online browsing platform: available at <https://www.iso.org/obp>
- IEC Electropedia: available at <http://www.electropedia.org/>

An explanation of the symbols and abbreviations used in this document is shown in [Table 1](#).