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Foreword

ISO (the International Organization for Standardization) and IEC (the International Electrotechnical Commission) together form a system for worldwide standardization as a whole. National bodies that are members of ISO or IEC participate in the development of International Standards through technical committees established by the respective organization to deal with particular fields of technical activity. ISO and IEC technical committees collaborate in fields of mutual interest. Other international organizations, governmental and non-governmental, in liaison with ISO and IEC, also take part in the work.

In the field of information technology, ISO and IEC have established a joint technical committee, ISO/IEC JTC 1. Draft International Standards adopted by the joint technical committee are circulated to national bodies for approval before their acceptance as International Standards. They are approved in accordance with procedures requiring at least 75 % approval by the national bodies voting.

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Annexes A to E form an integral part of this International Standard. Annex F is for information only.

Introduction

In this International Standard

- clauses 1 to 3 identify and introduce the contents of the standard;
- clause 4 gives definitions and clauses 5, 6 and 7 specify requirements for environments, flammability and material respectively;
- clauses 8 to 12 specify the characteristics of the disk;
- clause 12 deals with optical signals;
- clauses 13 to 19 describes recording;
- clauses 20 to 22 specify the format of the information area.

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1 Scope

This International Standard specifies the characteristics of 120 mm optical disks for information interchange between information processing systems and for information storage, called CD-ROM.

The optical disk specified by this International Standard is of the type in which the information is recorded before delivery to the user and can only be read from the disk. This International Standard specifies

- some definitions, the environments in which the characteristics of the disk shall be tested and the environments in which it shall be used and stored;
- the mechanical, physical, and dimensional characteristics of the disk;
- the recording characteristics, the format of the tracks, the error-detecting and the error-correcting characters, and the coding of the information;
- the optical characteristics for reading the information.

The characteristics are specified for tracks recorded with digital data. According to this International Standard, a disk may also contain one or more tracks recorded with digital audio data. Such tracks shall be recorded according to IEC 908.

2 Conformance

An optical disk is in conformance with this International Standard if it conforms to all its mandatory requirements.

3 Normative references

The following standards contain provisions which, through reference in this text, constitute provisions of this International Standard. At the time of publication, the editions indicated were valid. All standards are subject to revision, and parties to agreements based on this International Standard are encouraged to investigate the possibility of applying the most recent editions of the standards indicated below. Members of IEC and ISO maintain registers of currently valid International Standards.

ISO 9660 : 1988, *Information processing — Volume and file structure of CD-ROM for information interchange*.

IEC 908 : 1987, *Compact disc digital audio system*.

4 Definitions

For the purposes of this International Standard, the following definitions apply.

4.1 Audio Track: An Information Track containing digitally encoded audio information.

4.2 concentricity: The diameter of a circular tolerance zone within which the centres of two circular features must lie.

4.3 Control byte: An 8-bit byte from a table of 98 bytes, added to an F₂-Frame and containing addressing information.

4.4 Digital Data Track: An Information Track organized in sectors and containing digital user data.

4.5 F₁-Frame: A group of 24 8-bit bytes, being the output of the scrambler and input of the CIRC encoder.

4.6 F₂-Frame: A group of 32 8-bit bytes, being the output of the CIRC encoder.

4.7 F₃-Frame: A group of 33 8-bit bytes, being an F₂-Frame with a control byte, and input of the 8-to-14 encoder.

4.8 Information Area: An area on the disk with physical tracks, consisting of a Lead-in area, User Data area and a Lead-out area.

4.9 Information Track: An area on the disk containing a collection of user information.

4.10 Physical Track: A 360° turn of a continuous spiral line on the disk, followed by the optical stylus.

4.11 radial acceleration: The radial acceleration of any physical track in the direction perpendicular to the axis of rotation of the disk, at a specified rotational speed.

4.12 radial runout: The difference between the maximum and the minimum distance of a physical track to the axis of rotation measured over one revolution.

4.13 Section: A group of 98 F₃-Frames containing one complete table of Control bytes.

4.14 Sector: The smallest addressable part of a Digital Data Track in the information area that can be accessed independently of other addressable parts of the area.

4.15 User Data Area: A part of the information area containing User Data.