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**Intelligent transport systems —  
Partially automated lane change  
systems (PALS) — Functional /  
operational requirements and test  
procedures**

*Systèmes de transport intelligents — Systèmes de changement de  
voie partiellement automatisés (PALS) — Exigences fonctionnelles et  
opérationnelles et procédures d'essai*





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## Introduction

In general, driving assist systems and automated driving systems equipped in a vehicle reduce the burden of the drivers and contribute to safe driving. For a lane change operation, there are many drivers who are not good at performing a lane change. To support such drivers, Partially Automated Lane Change Systems (PALS) execute an automatic lane change manoeuvre following the request of the driver and under the supervision of the driver, on a road with visible lane markings, where non-motorized vehicles and pedestrians are prohibited.

PALS acquire information not only on the position of the vehicle within the lane, but also on adjacent lanes and obstacles in the vicinity of the subject vehicle (SV). PALS evaluate whether or not a lane change to an adjacent lane is possible and send commands to the actuators which control lateral movement of the vehicle to perform a lane change. This document specifies how PALS support drivers for a lane change and describes PALS' operations.



# Intelligent transport systems — Partially automated lane change systems (PALS) — Functional / operational requirements and test procedures

## 1 Scope

This document contains the basic control strategy, minimum functionality requirements, basic driver interface elements, minimum requirements for reaction to failure, and performance test procedures for PALS.

PALS perform part or all of lane change tasks under the driver's initiation and supervision. PALS are intended to function on roads with visible lane markings, where non-motorized vehicles and pedestrians are prohibited (e.g. access controlled highway), and to perform a lane change into a lane with traffic moving in the same direction. Support on sections of roadway with temporary or irregular lane markings (such as roadwork zones) is not within the scope of this document.

This document does not describe functionalities based on combinations with longitudinal control systems such as those standardized in ISO 22839 (FVCMS) or ISO 15622 (ACC).

The driver always assumes responsibility for this system and the driver's decisions and operations take priority at all times.

Use of PALS is intended for light-duty and heavy-duty vehicles (heavy trucks and buses).

This document does not address any functional or performance requirements for detection sensors, nor any communication links for co-operative solutions.

## 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 15037-1, *Road vehicles — Vehicle dynamics test methods — Part 1: General conditions for passenger cars*

ISO 15037-2, *Road vehicles — Vehicle dynamics test methods — Part 2: General conditions for heavy vehicles and buses*

ISO 17387, *Intelligent transport systems — Lane change decision aid systems (LCDAS) — Performance requirements and test procedures*

## 3 Terms and definitions

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

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