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**Data quality —**  
**Part 2:**  
**Vocabulary**

*Qualité des données —*  
*Partie 2: Vocabulaire*



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## Foreword

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This fourth edition cancels and replaces the third edition (ISO 8000-2:2018), which has been technically revised.

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

- addition and modifications of terms and definitions.

A list of all parts in the ISO 8000 series can be found on the ISO website.

Any feedback or questions on this document should be directed to the user's national standards body. A complete listing of these bodies can be found at [www.iso.org/members.html](http://www.iso.org/members.html).

## Introduction

The ability to create, collect, store, maintain, transfer, process and present data to support business processes in a timely and cost-effective manner requires both an understanding of the characteristics of the data that determine its quality, and an ability to measure, manage and report on data quality.

ISO 8000 defines characteristics that can be tested by any organization in the data supply chain to objectively determine conformance of the data to ISO 8000.

ISO 8000 provides frameworks for improving data quality for specific kinds of data. The frameworks can be used independently or in conjunction with quality management systems.

ISO 8000 covers industrial data quality characteristics throughout the product life cycle from conception to disposal. ISO 8000 addresses specific kinds of data including, but not limited to, master data, transaction data and product data.

This document establishes the vocabulary for the ISO 8000 series of parts.

[Annex A](#) contains an identifier that unambiguously identifies this document in an open information system.



# Data quality —

## Part 2: Vocabulary

### 1 Scope

This document defines terms relating to data quality used in the ISO 8000 series of parts.

### 2 Normative references

There are no normative references in this document.

### 3 Terms and definitions

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/>

#### 3.1 Terms relating to quality

##### 3.1.1

##### **process**

set of interrelated or interacting activities that use inputs to deliver an intended result

[SOURCE: ISO 9000:2015, 3.4.1, modified — Notes to entry have been removed.]

##### 3.1.2

##### **requirement**

need or expectation that is stated, generally implied or obligatory

[SOURCE: ISO 9000:2015, 3.6.4, modified — Notes to entry have been removed.]

##### 3.1.3

##### **quality**

degree to which a set of inherent characteristics of an object fulfils *requirements* (3.1.2)

Note 1 to entry: The term “quality” can be used with adjectives such as poor, good or excellent.

Note 2 to entry: “Inherent”, as opposed to “assigned”, means existing in the object.

[SOURCE: ISO 9000:2015, 3.6.2]

##### 3.1.4

##### **quality management system**

part of a management system with regard to *quality* (3.1.3)

[SOURCE: ISO 9000:2015, 3.5.4]