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Foreword

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This second edition cancels and replaces the first edition (ISO 14619:2003), which has been technically revised.

The main changes are as follows:

— description of new terms and definitions;

— adjustment of organizational roles and responsibilities;

— definition and clarification of the content of documents;

— addition of information on ensuring the long-term sustainability of the space environment.

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Introduction

This document establishes the requirements for conducting space experiments (SEs).

Space systems are used for solving various practical problems of humanity. The possibilities for expanding the use of these systems are far from being exhausted. The space environment provides ideal conditions for certain scientific studies, which are difficult or impossible to carry out in a terrestrial environment.

It often happens that an experiment is conducted on board a space system that is available and operational (i.e. the experiment becomes part of the operations of the space system itself). The SE is carried out using both hardware and software subsystems. This poses a problem of accomplishing two interrelated objectives:

— to ensure successful execution and performance of the experiment;

— to avoid interfering with an operational space system so as not to impair its functioning.

One method of solving this problem is to standardize the procedure for integrating (introducing) SEs into the operational processes of the space system. This document specifies the procedures for an experiment preparation on the ground and processing of the data, obtained when conducting SEs with the use of a space system that is already operational.

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1 Scope

This document addresses experimental add-on components to a space system under development and specifies the procedures for preparing and carrying out space experiments (SEs), and analysis and processing of the findings.

It is applicable to both manned and unmanned space systems. It can be tailored to the specific needs of different kinds of SEs.

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 14300-1, *Space systems — Programme management — Part 1: Structuring of a project*

ISO 14300-2, *Space systems — Programme management — Part 2: Product assurance*

ISO 14620-1, *Space systems — Safety requirements — Part 1: System safety*

ISO 14620-2, *Space systems — Safety requirements — Part 2: Launch site operations*

ISO 10795, *Space systems — Programme management and quality — Vocabulary*

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in ISO 10795 and the following apply.

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

— ISO Online browsing platform: available at https://www.iso.org/obp

— IEC Electropedia: available at https://www.electropedia.org/

3.1
space system
system that contains at least a space, a ground or a launch segment

3.2
space experiment
SE
system of operations, actions, and/or observations performed in space with the objective of obtaining information on the subject under investigation

3.3
space experiment project
SE project
developed plan for conducting a *space experiment* (3.2): from a proposal preparation up to analysis and processing of the results, and preparation of the final report