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## **Securities — Format for transmission of certificate numbers**

*Valeurs mobilières — Format pour la transmission des numéros de titres et  
de certificats*



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International Standard ISO 8532 was prepared by Technical Committee ISO/TC 68, *Banking and related financial services*, Subcommittee SC 4, *Securities*.

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## Introduction

The widespread application of automated data processing (ADP) has led to a growing need to record and transmit the certificate numbers of securities using electronic media.

Automated processing of these numbers requires that their format be defined and standardized at international level.

This International Standard takes into account the great variety of security and certificate numbers already in existence. The structure of the certificate numbers of future security issues are, however, governed by ISO 9019.

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# Securities — Format for transmission of certificate numbers

## 1 Scope

This International Standard specifies the format required for the transmission on electronic media of certificate numbers to other organizations or establishments (for example as part of a securities message, in accordance with ISO 7775).

This International Standard is applicable to all types of securities regardless of issuer or country of issuance.

## 2 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 7775:1991, *Securities — Scheme for message types*.

ISO 9019:1995, *Securities — Numbering of certificates*.

## 3 Definitions

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

**3.1 certificate number:** Number identifying one specific document of any security issue.

NOTE 1 This definition includes transferable or negotiable receipts representing underlying securities.

**3.2 denomination:** Face value expressed in terms of either nominal amount or number of shares/units represented by the security document.

## 4 Specifications for the transmission of certificate numbers

**4.1** The necessary information shall be transmitted as one datafield or as multiple datafields of variable length.

**4.2** Each datafield comprises only the numbers of certificates of the same denomination. When there are multiple denominations, they shall be transmitted in the order from highest to lowest.