
**Identification cards — Identification
of issuers —**

Part 2:
Application and registration procedures

Cartes d'identification — Identification des émetteurs —

Partie 2: Application et procédures de demande d'enregistrement

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Foreword

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ISO/IEC 7812 consists of the following parts, under the general title *Identification cards — Identification of issuers*:

- *Part 1: Numbering system*
- *Part 2: Application and registration procedures*

Introduction

This part of ISO/IEC 7812 is one of a series of International Standards describing the parameters for card issuers for operation within an interchange environment. Card issuers not operating in an interchange environment are encouraged to contact their sponsoring authorities for a number assigned by that national standards body. Use of a national IIN will avoid conflicts if the cards are unintentionally used in an interchange environment.

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Part 2:

Application and registration procedures

1 Scope

This part of ISO/IEC 7812 specifies the application and registration procedures for Issuer Identification Numbers (IINs) issued in accordance with ISO/IEC 7812-1.

2 Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application 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/IEC 7812-1, *Identification cards — Identification of issuers — Part 1: Numbering system*

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in ISO/IEC 7812-1 and the following apply.

3.1

administrative blockholder

body/business entity that is assigned a block of IINs for re-assignment to card issuers within its specific geographic or industry sector area of jurisdiction

NOTE Upon assignment of the IIN to the card issuers, ownership of the IIN is transferred to the individual issuer. IINs no longer in use by the card issuers are returned to the Registration Authority. These IINs are assigned in accordance with the procedures established herein and under legal agreement with the Registration Authority.

3.2

block of IINs

reservation in the *ISO Register of Card Issuer Identification Numbers* of a series of two or more IINs for assignment by an administrative or card scheme blockholder

3.3

card acceptor

party accepting the card for the purpose of presenting transaction data to an acquirer

3.4

card scheme blockholder

body/business entity representing a group of card issuers, and who provides an interchange environment to facilitate the issuance and acceptance of the cards of that group

NOTE The core service provided by the card scheme blockholder is a governing set of rules and policies and may also include additional services such as authorization services. Ownership of the IINs within the block is retained by the