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IEC 61987-11	-	Industrial-Process Measurement and Control - Data Structures and Elements in Process Equipment Catalogues. Part 11: List of Properties (LOP) of measuring equipment for electronic data exchange - generic structures	-	-

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## INTRODUCTION

The exchange of product data between companies, business systems, engineering tools, data systems within companies and, in the future, control systems (electrical, measuring and control technology) can run smoothly only when both the information to be exchanged and the use of this information has been clearly defined.

Prior to this document, requirements on process control devices and systems were specified by customers in various ways when suppliers or manufacturers were asked to quote for suitable equipment. The suppliers in their turn described the devices according to their own documentation schemes, often using different terms, structures and media (paper, databases, CDs, e-catalogues, etc.). The situation was similar in the planning and development process, with device information frequently being duplicated in a number of different information technology (IT) systems.

Any method that is capable of recording all existing information only once during the planning and ordering process and making it available for further processing, gives all parties involved an opportunity to concentrate on the essentials. A precondition for this is the standardization of both the descriptions of the objects and the exchange of information.

IEC 61987 series proposes a method for standardization which will help both suppliers and users of measuring equipment to optimize workflows both within their own companies and in their exchanges with other companies. Depending on their role in the process, engineering firms may be considered here to be either users or suppliers.

The method specifies measuring equipment by means of blocks of properties. These blocks are compiled into lists of properties (LOPs), each of which describes a specific equipment (device) type. IEC 61987 series covers both properties that may be used in an inquiry or a proposal and detailed properties required for integration of the equipment in computer systems for other tasks.

IEC 61987-10 defines structure elements for constructing lists of properties for electrical and process control equipment in order to facilitate automatic data exchange between any two computer systems in any possible workflow, for example engineering, maintenance or purchasing workflow and to allow both the customers and the suppliers of the equipment to optimize their processes and workflows. IEC 61987-10 also provides the data model for assembling the LOPs.

IEC 61987-11 specifies the generic structure for operating and device lists of properties (OLOPs and DLOPs). It lays down the framework for further parts of IEC 61987 in which complete LOPs for device types measuring a given physical variable and using a particular measuring principle will be specified. The generic structure may also serve as a basis for the specification of LOPs for other industrial-process control instrument types such as control valves and signal processing equipment.

IEC 61987-15 concerns level measuring equipment. It provides one operating LOP for all types of level measuring equipment which can be used, for example, as a request for various sorts of quotation. The DLOPs for the various level transmitter and gauge types provided in this part of IEC 61987 can be used in very different ways in the computer systems of equipment manufacturers and suppliers, in CAE and similar systems of EPC contractors and other engineering companies and especially in different plant maintenance systems of the plant owners. The OLOP and the DLOPs provided correspond to the guidelines specified in IEC 61987-10 and IEC 61987-11.