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**Graphical symbols for diagrams —**  
**Part 1:**  
**General information and indexes**

*Symboles graphiques pour schémas —*  
*Partie 1: Informations générales et index*



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## Foreword

ISO (the International Organization for Standardization) is a worldwide federation of national standards bodies (ISO member bodies). The work of preparing International Standards is normally carried out through ISO technical committees. Each member body interested in a subject for which a technical committee has been established has the right to be represented on that committee. International organizations, governmental and non-governmental, in liaison with ISO, also take part in the work. ISO collaborates closely with the International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC) on all matters of electrotechnical standardization.

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ISO 14617-1 was prepared by Technical Committee ISO/TC 10, *Technical product documentation*, Subcommittee SC 10, *Process plant documentation and tpd-symbols*.

This second edition cancels and replaces the first edition (ISO 14617-1:2002), of which it constitutes a minor revision.

ISO 14617 consists of the following parts, under the general title *Graphical symbols for diagrams*:

- *Part 1: General information and indexes*
- *Part 2: Symbols having general application*
- *Part 3: Connections and related devices*
- *Part 4: Actuators and related devices*
- *Part 5: Measurement and control devices*
- *Part 6: Measurement and control functions*
- *Part 7: Basic mechanical components*
- *Part 8: Valves and dampers*
- *Part 9: Pumps, compressors and fans*
- *Part 10: Fluid power converters*
- *Part 11: Devices for heat transfer and heat engines*
- *Part 12: Devices for separating, purification and mixing*
- *Part 13: Devices for material processing*
- *Part 14: Devices for transport and handling of material*
- *Part 15: Installation diagrams and network maps*

## Introduction

The purpose of ISO 14617 in its final form is the creation of a library of harmonized graphical symbols for diagrams used in technical applications. This work has been, and will be, performed in close cooperation between ISO and IEC. The ultimate result is intended to be published as a standard common to ISO and IEC, which their technical committees responsible for specific application fields can use in preparing International Standards and manuals.

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# Graphical symbols for diagrams —

## Part 1:

## General information and indexes

### 1 Scope

This part of ISO 14617 serves as an introduction to all the other parts. In particular, it gives information on the creation and use of registration numbers for identifying graphical symbols used in diagrams, rules for the presentation and application of these symbols, and examples of their use and application. It includes three indexes: an alphabetical index and an index of registration numbers — both concerned uniquely with ISO 14617 — and an index of cross references to related items found in other International Standards.

For the fundamental rules of creation and application of graphical symbols in diagrams, see ISO 81714-1.

### 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 81714-1:1999, *Design of graphical symbols for use in the technical documentation of products — Part 1: Basic rules*

### 3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply.

**NOTE** The list has been restricted to terms whose meaning is not obvious and which have not been defined elsewhere in an International Standard, or which have been defined in various ways in different standards. In preparing these definitions, ISO and IEC standards on terminology have been consulted; see the references in parentheses. However, most of the definitions in those standards were prepared by different technical committees within a restricted scope. This means that many terms so defined have to be given more general or neutral definitions when applied in the context of graphical symbols.

#### 3.1

##### **function**

activity proper to anything, mode of action by which it fulfils its purpose

**EXAMPLE** To measure, to control, to indicate.

#### 3.2

##### **product**

thing produced by natural process or manufacture; result

**EXAMPLE** An element, a component or a device.