
**Automatic vehicle and equipment
identification — Electronic registration
identification (ERI) for vehicles —**

**Part 4:
Secure communications using
asymmetrical techniques**

*Identification automatique des véhicules et des équipements —
Identification d'enregistrement électronique (ERI) pour les véhicules —
Partie 4: Communications sûres utilisant des techniques asymétriques*



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Foreword

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ISO 24534 consists of the following parts, under the general title *Automatic vehicle and equipment identification — Electronic registration identification (ERI) for vehicles*:

- *Part 1: Architecture*
- *Part 2: Operational requirements*
- *Part 3: Vehicle data*
- *Part 4: Secure communications using asymmetrical techniques*
- *Part 5: Secure communications using symmetrical techniques*

Introduction

A quickly emerging need has been identified with administrations to improve the unique identification of vehicles for a variety of services. Situations are already occurring where manufacturers intend to fit lifetime tags to vehicles. Various governments are considering the needs and benefits of electronic registration identification (ERI) as a legal proof of vehicle identity with potential mandatory uses. There is commercial and economic justification in respect of both tags and infrastructure that a standard enables an interoperable solution.

ERI is a means of uniquely identifying road vehicles. The application of ERI will offer significant benefits over existing techniques for vehicle identification. It will be a suitable tool for the future management and administration of traffic and transport, including applications in free-flow, multi-lane traffic conditions with the capability to support mobile transactions. ERI addresses the need of authorities and other road users for a trusted electronic identification, including roaming vehicles.

This part of ISO 24534 specifies the application layer interfaces for the exchange of data between an onboard component containing the ERI data and a reader or writer inside or outside the vehicle.

The exchanged identification data consists of a unique vehicle identifier and may also include data typically found in the vehicle's registration certificate. The authenticity of the exchanged vehicle data can be further enhanced by ensuring data has been obtained by request from a commissioned device, with the data electronically signed by the registration authority.

In order to facilitate (international) resales of vehicles, the ERI interface includes provisions for another accredited registration authority to take over the registration of a vehicle.

The ERI interface supports confidentiality measures to adhere to (inter)national privacy regulation and to prevent other misuse of electronic identification of vehicles. A registration authority may authorize other authorities to access the vehicle's data. A holder of a registration certificate may authorize an additional service provider to identify the vehicle when he/she wants commercial service.

However, it is perceived that different users may have different requirements for authentication and confidentiality. This International Standard therefore supports different levels of security with maximum compatibility. Much attention is given to the interoperability of the component containing the ERI data and readers of various levels of capability, e.g. the identification of a vehicle with a less capable ERI data component by a more sophisticated reader equipment and vice versa.

The supported complexity of the device containing the ERI data may range from a very simple read-only device that only contains the vehicle's identifier, to a sophisticated device that includes both authentication and confidentiality measures and maintains a historic list of the vehicle data written by the manufacturer and by vehicle registration authorities.

Following the events of 11 September 2001, and subsequent reviews of anti-terrorism measures, the need for ERI has been identified as a possible anti-terrorism measure. The need for international or pan-European harmonization of such ERI is therefore important. It is also important to ensure that any ERI measures contain protection against misuse by terrorists.

This part of ISO 24534 makes use of the basic automatic vehicle identification (AVI) provisions already defined in ISO 14814 and ISO 14816.

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1 Scope

This part of ISO 24534 provides requirements for electronic registration identification (ERI) that are based on an identifier assigned to a vehicle (e.g. for recognition by national authorities) suitable to be used for:

- electronic identification of local and foreign vehicles by national authorities;
- vehicle manufacturing, in-life maintenance and end-of-life identification (vehicle life cycle management);
- adaptation of vehicle data (e.g. for international resales);
- safety-related purposes;
- crime reduction;
- commercial services.

It adheres to privacy and data protection regulations.

This part of ISO 24534 specifies the interfaces for a secure exchange of data between an ERT and an ERI reader or ERI writer in or outside the vehicle using asymmetric encryption techniques.

NOTE 1 The onboard device containing the ERI data is called the electronic registration tag (ERT).

This part of ISO 24534 includes:

- the application layer interface between an ERT and an onboard ERI reader or writer;
- the application layer interface between the onboard ERI equipment and external ERI readers and writers;
- security issues related to the communication with the ERT.

NOTE 2 The vehicle identifiers and possible additional vehicle data (as typically contained in vehicle registration certificates) are defined in ISO 24534-3.

NOTE 3 The secure application layer interfaces for the exchange of ERI data with an ERI reader or writer are specified in both this part of ISO 24534 and ISO 24534-5.

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 8824 (all parts), *Information technology — Abstract Syntax Notation One (ASN.1)*

ISO/IEC 8825-2, *Information technology — ASN.1 encoding rules: Specification of Packed Encoding Rules (PER) — Part 2*

ISO/IEC 14443 (all parts), *Identification cards — Contactless integrated circuit cards — Proximity cards*

ISO 15628:2007, *Road transport and traffic telematics — Dedicated short range communication (DSRC) — DSRC application layer*

3 Terms and definitions

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

3.1
access control
prevention of unauthorized use of a resource, including the prevention of use of a resource in an unauthorized manner

[ISO 7498-2:1989, definition 3.3.1]

3.2
access control list
list of entities, together with their access rights, which are authorized to have access to a resource

[ISO 7498-2:1989, definition 3.3.2]

3.3
active threat
threat of a deliberate unauthorized change to the state of the system

[ISO 7498-2:1989, definition 3.3.4]

EXAMPLE Examples of security-relevant active threats may include modification of messages, replay of messages, and insertion of spurious messages, masquerading as an authorized entity and denial of service.

3.4
additional vehicle data
ERI data in addition to the vehicle identifier

[ISO 24534-3:2008, definition 3.1]

3.5
air interface
conductor-free medium between onboard equipment (OBE) and the reader/interrogator through which the linking of the OBE to the reader/interrogator is achieved by means of electromagnetic signals

[ISO 14814:2006, definition 3.2]

3.6
authority
organization that is allowed by public law to identify a vehicle using ERI