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**Tractors and machinery for  
agriculture and forestry — Serial  
control and communications data  
network —**

**Part 13:  
File server**

*Tracteurs et matériels agricoles et forestiers — Réseaux de  
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*Partie 13: Serveur de fichiers*



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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.

The procedures used to develop this document and those intended for its further maintenance are described in the ISO/IEC Directives, Part 1. In particular, the different approval criteria needed for the different types of ISO documents should be noted. This document was drafted in accordance with the editorial rules of the ISO/IEC Directives, Part 2 (see [www.iso.org/directives](http://www.iso.org/directives)).

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This third edition cancels and replaces the second edition (ISO 11783-13:2011), which has been technically revised.

The main changes are as follows:

- removal of support for short, 8.3 format, path and file names;
- addition of support for Unicode characters in path and file names;
- addition of clarifications to improve the implementation and testability of the file server protocol.

A list of all parts in the ISO 11783 series can be found on the ISO website.

Any feedback or questions on this document should be directed to the user's national standards body. A complete listing of these bodies can be found at [www.iso.org/members.html](http://www.iso.org/members.html).

## Introduction

ISO 11783 specifies a communications system for agricultural equipment based on the ISO 11898-2 protocol. SAE J1939 documents<sup>1)</sup>, on which parts of ISO 11783 are based, were developed jointly for use in truck and bus applications and for construction and agriculture applications. Joint documents were completed to allow electronic units that meet the truck and bus SAE J1939 specifications to be used by agricultural and forestry equipment with minimal changes. General information on ISO 11783 can be found in this document.

The purpose of ISO 11783 is to provide an open, interconnected system for on-board electronic systems. It is intended to enable electronic control units (ECUs) to communicate with each other, providing a standardized system.

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1) Society of Automotive Engineers, Warrendale, PA, USA.



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## Part 13: File server

### 1 Scope

The message set specified in this document is designed to support the needs of tractors and implements in using the services of a file server (FS).

An FS is a distinct control function (CF) on the mobile implement control system that enables all CFs to store or retrieve data from a file-based storage device.

### 2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements 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 11783-1, *Tractors and machinery for agriculture and forestry — Serial control and communications data network — Part 1: General standard for mobile data communication*

ISO 11783-3, *Tractors and machinery for agriculture and forestry — Serial control and communications data network — Part 3: Data link layer*

ISO 11783-5, *Tractors and machinery for agriculture and forestry — Serial control and communications data network — Part 5: Network management*

### 3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in ISO 11783-1 and the following apply.

ISO and IEC maintain terminological databases for use in standardization at the following addresses:

- ISO Online browsing platform: available at <https://www.iso.org/obp>
- IEC Electropedia: available at <https://www.electropedia.org/>

#### 3.1

##### **client**

control function (CF) on the mobile implement bus that uses the services of the *file server* (3.5)

#### 3.2

##### **directory**

file which stores administrative information about other *files* (3.3)

#### 3.3

##### **file**

data object that stores data on a storage device