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## Foreword

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This second edition cancels and replaces the first edition (ISO/IEC 24791-3:2014), which has been technically revised.

The main changes compared to the previous edition are: the references have been updated to the latest standards.

A list of all parts in the ISO ISO/IEC 24791 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

Radio frequency identification (RFID) air interface technology is based on non-contact electromagnetic communication among interrogators and tags. RFID software systems are composed of RFID interrogators, intermediate software systems and applications that provide control and coordination of air interface operation, tag information exchange, and health and performance management of system components. RFID technology is expected to increase effectiveness in many aspects of business by further advancing the capabilities of automatic identification and data capture (AIDC). To achieve this goal through the successful adoption of RFID technology into real business environments, RFID devices, software systems and business applications have to provide secure and interoperable services, interfaces, and technologies. This is the goal of the ISO/IEC 24791 series, created for RFID software system infrastructure (SSI).

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## Part 3: Device management

### 1 Scope

#### 1.1 General

This document defines interfaces for device management of RFID systems. Interfaces are defined that provide for discovery, configuration, initialization and monitoring of RFID systems within the software system infrastructure (SSI).

This document only deals with devices that provide RFID related services. It does not distinguish the form factor of such RFID devices.

This document provides two distinct *interface sets*, one based on the GS1 EPCglobal DCI standard and the IETF SNMP RFCs and the other based on the Organization for the Advancement of Structured Information Standards (OASIS) DPWS standard. The definition of the Device Profile for RFID is referred to in this document as the RFID Device Management Profile, or RDMP.

Each interface option set provides interface definitions that provide ISO/IEC 24791-3 Client Endpoints and Services Endpoints with the mechanisms for:

- the discovery of the RFID devices and services on a local or remote subnet;
- a firmware upgrade service;
- a management service that implements configuration related functions;
- a monitoring service for reporting alerts, diagnostics, and performance information.

The two interface set definitions provided by this document allow for clients and services endpoints to implement and provide the services based on the specific characteristics of the RFID system to be implemented. [Subclause 1.2](#) defines the Conformance requirements for systems that implement components of one or both of the interface sets.

#### 1.2 Conformance

This document provides two interface sets; the DCI and SNMP Interface Set and the RDMP interface Set. If a certain implementation conforms to the mandatory functions of at least one of the interface sets, that implementation is conformant to this document.

#### 1.3 DCI and SNMP interface set

This document divides the DCI capabilities into two *Conformance Groups*:

- Discovery, Configuration, and Initialization Conformance Group: this Conformance Group is defined in [Clause 7](#). It specifies the protocols and operational procedures that are required for conforming Interrogator Implementations and Device Management Implementations, as defined in this document as well as in ISO/IEC 24791-1.

- Performance Monitoring and Diagnostics Conformance Group: this Conformance Group is defined in [Clause 8](#). It specifies the SNMP MIBs that can be implemented by Interrogator Implementations and Data Management Implementations as defined in this document as well as in ISO/IEC 24791-1. Conforming implementations claim conformance to the MODULE\_COMPLIANCE statements in the SNMP MIBs appropriate for the particular implementation.

A conforming implementation has to implement all of the requirements of each Conformance Group for its particular function in the SSI, but an implementation is not required to claim conformance to either group.

## 1.4 RDMP interface set

This document specifies the following device management capabilities in RDMP:

- discovery of devices and hosted services in devices;
- a Firmware Upgrade Service to initialize and manage firmware on devices;
- a Management service to set and get device configuration and to perform specific device operations, such as reboot;
- a monitoring service to monitor the health of a device using events and statistics.

RDMP interface set is defined in [Clause 9](#).

## 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/IEC 19762, *Information technology — Automatic identification and data capture (AIDC) techniques — Harmonized vocabulary*

Devices Profile for Web Services (DPWS) Version 1.1, OASIS Standard July 2009. <http://docs.oasis-open.org/ws-dd/dpws/1.1/os/wsdd-dpws-1.1-spec-os.pdf>.

GS1 DISCOVERY, Configuration, & Initialisation (DCI) Standard for Reader Operations, <https://www.gs1.org/standards/epc-rfid>

GS1 READER MANAGEMENT, (RM v1.0.1), Ratified Standard, <https://www.gs1.org/standards/epc-rfid>

## 3 Terms and definitions

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

ISO and IEC maintain terminology 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 component

identifiable part of a service that provides specific functionality

### 3.2 data management

device functionality that includes or is a combination of reading, writing, collection, filtering, grouping, and event subscription and notification of RFID tag data to higher level applications and interfaces