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1 Scope

This Technical Report gives instructions relating to the requesting and assignment of the WMI codes and WPMI codes according to ISO 3780 and ISO 4100 and for the maintenance of the master assignment lists and files.

2 References

ISO 3779:1983, *Road vehicles — Vehicle identification number (VIN) — Content and structure.*

ISO 3780:1983, *Road vehicles — World manufacturer identifier (WMI) code.*

ISO 4100:1980, *Road vehicles — World parts manufacturer identifier (WPMI) code.*

3 Definitions

3.1 International Agency (IA): The agency designated by the International Organization for Standardization as being responsible for the assignment of the first two characters of the WMI codes and the WPMI codes to each country having vehicle manufacturers and/or vehicle parts manufacturers.