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Preface

This Standard was prepared by the Standards Australia Committee ME-026, Industrial Trucks, to supersede AS 2359.7-1995, Powered industrial trucks, Part 7: Terminology.

The objective of document is to establish the vocabulary of industrial trucks.

For the purposes of this document, industrial trucks are wheeled vehicles having at least three wheels with a powered or non-powered driving mechanism — except those running on rails — which are designed either to carry, tow, push, lift, stack or tier in racks any kind of load, and which are controlled either by an operator or by driverless automation.

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- added additional names for some truck types;
- new layout.

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1 Scope

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2 Normative references

There are no normative references in this document.

3 Terms and definitions

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 <http://www.electropedia.org/>

NOTE Due to the variance of the individual truck type and the ongoing development of new combinations, it is not possible to illustrate all the different variations of industrial truck types. Therefore, this document defines, shows and/or describes the typical variances.

3.1

towing tractor

truck travelling on the ground, fitted with coupling means and specially designed to tow vehicles travelling on the ground

Note 1 to entry: See [Figure 1](#).

Note 2 to entry: For equivalent terms in German, Chinese and Italian, see [A.1](#).