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Introduction

The purpose of this Technical Report is to provide the gas cylinder manufacturing industry, the approval authorities, the inspection bodies, the gas industry and all associated industry branches dealing with gas cylinders a tool for identifying gas cylinders with their manufacturer's marks and their assigned radio frequency identification (RFID) codes.

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1 Scope

This Technical Report provides an inventory, as far as known at time of publication, of manufacturer's identification marks and their assigned radio frequency identification (RFID) codes according to ISO 21007-1 and ISO 21007-2. The listing includes marks of existing gas cylinder manufacturers, as well as cylinder manufacturers which have ceased production in the past, but whose cylinders can still be in service today.

NOTE It is intended to revise [Annex A](#) of this Technical Report from time to time in order to update the list of codes and identification marks of gas cylinder manufacturers in accordance with the progressing commercial and economic development in the cylinder manufacturing industry.

Any request for inclusion or modification of these identifications is to be made to the ISO/TC 58/SC 4 Secretariat, who would update the information in [Annex A](#) after consultation with the committee leadership.

2 General

There is a general marking requirement by national or international regulations and standards to identify gas cylinders with the cylinder manufacturer's identification (name, trademark and/or logo), e.g. by stamp marking, or for composite cylinders, by labelling, in order to guarantee their traceability. In certain circumstances, it is very important to enable a distinctive identification of the origin of the cylinder. Normally for a given manufacturer, the identification is specific to a manufacturing location.

When, in addition to the above marking requirements, the cylinders are identified by radio frequency identification (RFID) codes, the technologies and RFID codes in accordance with ISO 21007 are used. The first three digits of the RFID code listed in Column 1 of [Annex A](#) are the country code as listed in ISO 3166-1. The subsequent two digits are assigned consecutively in the country's listing. Once assigned, the RFID code designation does not change.

[Annex A](#) lists cylinder manufacturers by countries which are currently known to produce or have produced gas cylinders. The list does not claim to be complete and is valid only as of the date of the publication of this Technical Report. Manufacturers that no longer produce cylinders remain in [Annex A](#) as their cylinders could still be in service and need to be identified.

It is expected that the manufacturers are using manufacturer's marks which identify unambiguously the manufacturing plant/facility to clearly identify the plant to which the type approval of the concerned cylinder was assigned. [Annex A](#) clearly indicates the date when the manufacturing at the old plant/facility ends and the date when the new plant/facility begins manufacturing cylinders. Names of manufacturers may have changed over time; however, these manufacturers may have continued using the same manufacturer's mark provided the approval criteria for the cylinders in question have not changed. Vice versa, a change of the manufacturer's mark may have taken place or alternative marks may be used by one and the same manufacturer.

[Clause 3](#) explains the information provided in each column of [Annex A](#).

To provide updates to the list of manufacturers, use the link provided in [Annex B](#) for instructions to submit new/revised information. These revisions, once approved by ISO/TC 58/SC 4 and designated with an RFID code, will be provided on Standards Maintenance Portal at the link provided in [Annex C](#).