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## Part 1: Definitions – Principles and methods

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The technical content is therefore identical to the base edition and its amendment and has been prepared for user convenience.

It bears the edition number 2.1.

A vertical line in the margin shows where the base publication has been modified by amendment 1.

Annexes A, B and C form an integral part of this standard.

Annex D is for information only.

IEC 61360 consists of the following parts, under the general title *Standard data element types with associated classification scheme for electric components*

- Part 1: Definitions – Principles and methods
- Part 2: EXPRESS dictionary schema
- Part 3: Maintenance and validation procedures
- Part 4: IEC reference collection of standard data element types, component classes and terms
- Part 5: Extensions to the EXPRESS dictionary schema <sup>1)</sup>

The committee has decided that the contents of the base publication and its amendment 1 will remain unchanged until 2005. At this date, the publication will be

- reconfirmed;
- withdrawn;
- replaced by a revised edition, or
- amended.

A bilingual version of this publication may be issued at a later date.

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<sup>1)</sup> To be published.

# STANDARD DATA ELEMENT TYPES WITH ASSOCIATED CLASSIFICATION SCHEME FOR ELECTRIC COMPONENTS –

## Part 1: Definitions – Principles and methods

### 1 General

#### 1.1 Scope and object

This part of IEC 61360 provides a firm basis for the clear and unambiguous definition of characteristic properties (data element types) of all elements of electrotechnical systems from basic components to subassemblies and full systems. Although originally conceived in the context of providing a basis for the exchange of information on electric/electronic components, the principles and methods of this standard may be used in areas outside the original conception such as assemblies of components and electrotechnical systems and subsystems.

In addition, the standard provides for establishing a classification hierarchy and the allocation of applicable and relevant properties to each of the classes so established in order to describe fully the characteristics of objects belonging to that class.

Use of this standard facilitates the exchange of data describing electrotechnical systems through a defined structure for the information to be exchanged in a computer-sensible form. Each property to be exchanged will have an unambiguously defined meaning and consistent naming, where relevant a defined value list, a prescribed format and defined units of measure for all quantitative values. There is also provision for:

- control of changes to definitions of the properties through version and revision numbers;
- inclusion of notes and remarks to clarify and help in the application of the definitions;
- indication of the sources of definitions and value lists;
- associated figures and formulae.

#### 1.2 ISO/IEC EXPRESS information model

Closely associated with this part of IEC 61360 is IEC 61360-2. This part contains the information model, using the EXPRESS modelling language. In this model, the definition and structure of IEC 61360-1 is formalized and presented in a computer-sensible form. Use of this information model allows dictionary information to be exchanged between different systems using the GTE Physical File Format as defined in ISO 10303-21.

This information model has also been accepted as the common information model and is referenced as ISO 13584-42. Use may be made of other standards in the ISO 13584 series of standards for extension of the concepts defined in this standard. In particular ISO 13584-24 contains provisions which allow

- extensions of the class structure to include feature and functional model classes;
- tabulation of properties;
- functional relationships among properties;
- references to graphical information;
- structuring of parts libraries.

### 1.3 Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application 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.

IEC 60027 (all parts), *Letter symbols to be used in electrical technology*

IEC 60191-4:1999, *Mechanical standardization of semiconductor devices – Part 4: Coding system and classification into forms of package outlines for semiconductor device packages*

IEC 60747 (all parts), *Semiconductor devices – Discrete devices*

IEC 60748 (all parts), *Semiconductor devices – Integrated circuits*

IEC 61360-2: 2002, *Standard data element types with associated classification scheme for electric components – Part 2: EXPRESS dictionary schema*

IEC 61360-4:1997, *Standard data element types with associated classification scheme for electric components – Part 4: IEC reference collection of standard data element types, component classes and terms*

ISO/IEC 646:1991, *Information technology – ISO 7-bit coded character set for information interchange*

ISO/IEC 6429:1992, *Information technology – Control functions for coded character sets*

ISO/IEC 10646-1:2000, *Information technology – Universal Multiple-Octet Coded Character Set (UCS) – Part 1: Architecture and Basic Multilingual Plane*

ISO/IEC 11179-3:1994, *Information technology – Specification and standardization of data elements – Part 3: Basic attributes of data elements*

ISO 31 (all parts), *Quantities and units*

ISO 843:1997, *Information and documentation – Conversion of Greek characters into Latin characters*

ISO 2382 (all parts), *Information technology – Vocabulary*

ISO 6093:1985, *Information processing – Representation of numerical values in character strings for information interchange*

ISO 9735:1988, *Electronic data interchange for administration, commerce and transport (EDIFACT) – Application level syntax rules*

ISO 10303-21:1997, *Industrial automation systems and integration – Product data representation and exchange – Part 21: Implementation methods: Clear text encoding of the exchange structure*

ISO 13584-24, *Industrial automation systems and integration – Parts library – Part 24: Logical resources: Logical model of supplier library<sup>2)</sup>*

ISO 13584-42:1998, *Industrial automation systems and integration – Parts library – Part 42: Description methodology: Methodology for structuring part families*

<sup>2)</sup> To be published.