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AUDIO RECORDING – MINIDISC SYSTEM

1 General

1.1 Scope

This International Standard applies to the MiniDisc (MD). It defines the mechanical and electrical characteristics necessary to ensure the interchangeability of both premastered optical discs and recordable magneto-optical discs of 64 mm diameter for the compressed digital audio recording system.

1.2 Normative references

The following normative documents contain provisions which, through reference in this text, constitute provisions of this International Standard. For dated references, subsequent amendments to, or revisions of, any of these publications do not apply. However, parties to agreements based on this International Standard are encouraged to investigate the possibility of applying the most recent editions of the normative documents indicated below. For undated references, the latest edition of the normative document referred to applies. Members of IEC and ISO maintain registers of currently valid International Standards.

IEC 60908:1999, *Compact disc digital audio system*

IEC 60958:1989, *Digital audio interface*

ISO 683-13:1986, *Heat-treatable steels, alloy steels and free-cutting steels – Part 13: Wrought stainless steels*

ISO 3901:1986, *Documentation – International Standard Recording Code (ISRC)*

ISO 8859-1:1998, *Information technology – 8 bit single byte coded graphic character sets – Part 1: Latin alphabet No. 1*

JISX0208:1990, *Code of the Japanese graphic character set for information interchange*