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- a) in 6.2, the levels of announcement quality were revised as well as considerations for ways in which device users can provide service providers with feedback on incorrectly announced terms.
- b) in 6.3, the following TV functionality was added: the TV can receive updated words, associated conversions and updated conversion rules for the TTS engine via a network connection.

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1 Scope

This International Standard specifies the text-to-speech functionality for a (broadcast) receiver with a text-to-speech system. Such a system may be one device, i.e. a receiver with an integrated text-to-speech generator, or may be two devices, i.e. a receiver interfacing with an external text-to-speech device. This document applies only to completely functional stationary (or semi-stationary) digital TV receivers such as set top boxes, integrated digital TVs, recorders and other products whose primary function is to receive TV content. Where this document refers to TV, this will be shorthand for all such receivers.

This document does not apply to products that are capable of receiving TV as a secondary function (e.g. PCs or game consoles with digital television receivers). It also does not apply to sub-assemblies (e.g. PC tuner cards).

2 Normative references

There are no normative references in this document.

3 Terms, definitions and abbreviated terms

3.1 Terms and definitions

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3.1.1

context

one specific function of a TV

EXAMPLE: Watching TV, EPG.

3.1.2

DTV broadcast event classification

general category of programme/event content, or its classification

EXAMPLES: Movie (drama), news/current affairs, talk show, sports (football).

3.1.3

EPG filter

filter that organises or reduces the list of displayed EPG items according to certain criteria

EXAMPLES: Of criteria are to show only:

- programmes with a certain content type;
- favourites;
- programmes that are audio described;
- programmes for a given time period (for instance "today", "tomorrow", "next 7 days").