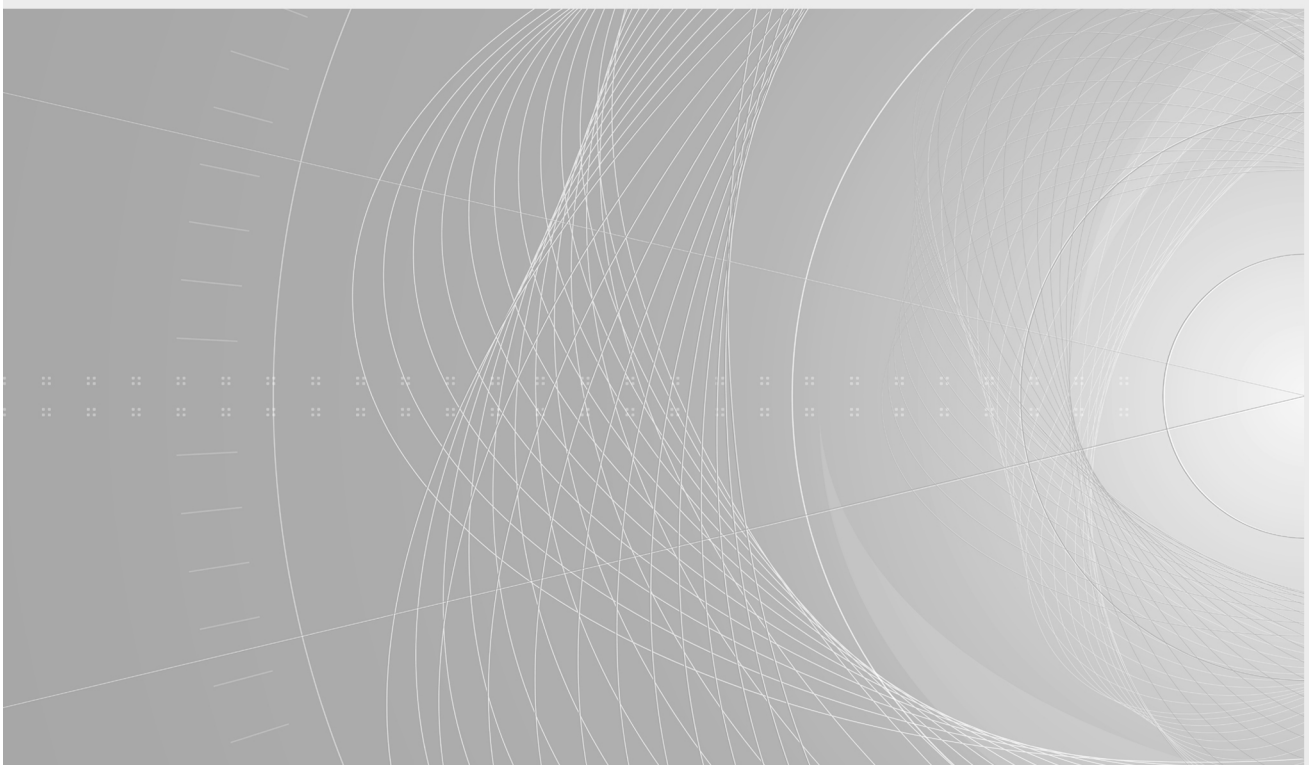**IEC 61158-3-7**

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a) deletion of the former Type 6 fieldbus, and the placeholder for a Type 5 fieldbus data-link layer, for lack of market relevance;

b) addition of new types of fieldbuses;

c) division of this part into multiple parts numbered 3-1, 3-2, …, 3-19.

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INTRODUCTION

This part of IEC 61158 is one of a series produced to facilitate the interconnection of automation system components. It is related to other standards in the set as defined by the "three-layer" fieldbus reference model described in IEC/TR 61158-1.

Throughout the set of fieldbus standards, the term "service" refers to the abstract capability provided by one layer of the OSI Basic Reference Model to the layer immediately above. Thus, the data-link layer service defined in this standard is a conceptual architectural service, independent of administrative and implementation divisions.

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1 Scope

1.1 Overview

This part of IEC 61158 provides common elements for basic time-critical messaging communications between devices in an automation environment. The term "time-critical" is used to represent the presence of a time-window, within which one or more specified actions are required to be completed with some defined level of certainty. Failure to complete specified actions within the time window risks failure of the applications requesting the actions, with attendant risk to equipment, plant and possibly human life.

This standard defines in an abstract way the externally visible service provided by the Type 7 fieldbus data-link layer in terms of

a) the primitive actions and events of the service;

b) the parameters associated with each primitive action and event, and the form which they take; and

c) the interrelationship between these actions and events, and their valid sequences.

The purpose of this standard is to define the services provided to

- the Type 7 fieldbus application layer at the boundary between the application and data-link layers of the fieldbus reference model, and

- systems management at the boundary between the data-link layer and systems management of the fieldbus reference model.

1.2 Specifications

The principal objective of this standard is to specify the characteristics of conceptual data-link layer services suitable for time-critical communications, and thus supplement the OSI Basic Reference Model in guiding the development of data-link protocols for time-critical communications. A secondary objective is to provide migration paths from previously-existing industrial communications protocols.

This specification may be used as the basis for formal DL-Programming-Interfaces. Nevertheless, it is not a formal programming interface, and any such interface will need to address implementation issues not covered by this specification, including

a) the sizes and octet ordering of various multi-octet service parameters, and

b) the correlation of paired request and confirm, or indication and response, primitives.

1.3 Conformance

This standard does not specify individual implementations or products, nor does it constrain the implementations of data-link entities within industrial automation systems.

There is no conformance of equipment to this data-link layer service definition standard. Instead, conformance is achieved through implementation of the corresponding data-link protocol that fulfills the Type 7 data-link layer services defined in this standard.

2 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.

ISO/IEC 7498-1, *Information technology – Open Systems Interconnection – Basic Reference Model: The Basic Model*

ISO/IEC 7498-3, *Information technology – Open Systems Interconnection – Basic Reference Model: Naming and addressing*

ISO/IEC 10731, *Information technology – Open Systems Interconnection – Basic Reference Model – Conventions for the definition of OSI services*

3 Terms, definitions, symbols, abbreviations and conventions

For the purposes of this document, the following terms, definitions, symbols, abbreviations and conventions apply.

3.1 Reference model terms and definitions

This standard is based in part on the concepts developed in ISO/IEC 7498-1 and ISO/IEC 7498-3, and makes use of the following terms defined therein:

3.1.1 DL-address   [7498-3]

3.1.2 DL-connection   [7498-1]

3.1.3 DL-connection-end-point   [7498-1]

3.1.4 DL-connection-end-point-identifier   [7498-1]

3.1.5 correspondent (N)-entities   [7498-1]
    correspondent DL-entities   (N=2)
    correspondent Ph-entities   (N=1)

3.1.6 (N)-entity   [7498-1]
    DL-entity   (N=2)
    Ph-entity   (N=1)

3.1.7 flow control   [7498-1]

3.1.8 (N)-layer   [7498-1]
    DL-layer   (N=2)
    Ph-layer   (N=1)

3.1.9 DL-name   [7498-3]

3.1.10 peer-entities   [7498-1]

3.1.11 primitive name   [7498-3]

3.1.12 DL-protocol   [7498-1]

3.1.13 DL-protocol-connection-identifier   [7498-1]

3.1.14 DL-protocol-data-unit   [7498-1]

3.1.15 DL-relay   [7498-1]

3.1.16 (N)-service   [7498-1]
        DL-service   (N=2)
        Ph-service   (N=1)

3.1.17 (N)-service-access-point   [7498-1]
        DL-service-access-point   (N=2)
        Ph-service-access-point   (N=1)

3.1.18 DL-service-data-unit   [7498-1]

3.1.19 DLS-user-data   [7498-1]

3.2   Service convention terms and definitions

This standard also makes use of the following terms defined in ISO/IEC 10731 as they apply to the data-link layer:

3.2.1 acceptor

3.2.2 confirm (primitive);
        requestor.deliver (primitive)

3.2.3 deliver (primitive)

3.2.4 DL-service-primitive;
        primitive

3.2.5 DL-service-provider

3.2.6 DL-service-user

3.2.7 indication (primitive);
        acceptor.deliver (primitive)

3.2.8 multi-peer

3.2.9 request (primitive);
        requestor.submit (primitive)

3.2.10 requestor

3.2.11 response (primitive);
        acceptor.submit (primitive)

3.2.12 submit (primitive)

3.3   Data-link service terms and definitions

3.3.1
acknowledgement response DLPDU
information that the recipient of an acknowledged message emits in order to signal either the proper reception of the message or the lack of available resources to store the message, received by the DLE on the local link that emitted the message which requested the acknowledgement

**3.3.2
basic cycle**
sequence of scanning by the bus-arbitrator of

a) a set of DLCEP-identifiers for variables, requests, and cyclical application messages;

b) plus a window provided for aperiodic exchanges;

c) plus a window provided for message services;

d) plus a window provided for synchronization

**3.3.3
basic transaction**
succession of DLPDUs related to a single DL-service instance

**3.3.4
bus-arbitrator (BA)**
DLE that controls each data producer's right to access the medium

NOTE   At any given instant one and only one bus-arbitrator is active in each DL-segment of a DL-subnetwork.

**3.3.5
control field**
portion of an emitted or received DLPDU that gives the nature of the data exchanged and the type of exchange

**3.3.6
destination address**
three octets specifying the DL-segment of the DLE to whom the message is sent, and the destination DLSAP's sub-address within the local link

**3.3.7
DL-segment, link, local link**
single DL-subnetwork in which any of the connected DLEs may communicate directly, without any intervening DL-relaying, whenever all of those DLEs that are participating in an instance of communication are simultaneously attentive to the DL-subnetwork during the period(s) of attempted communication

**3.3.8
DL-segment, local link**
set of devices that respect the DL-protocol and that are interconnected through a PhL. Only one bus-arbitrator is active on a single DL-segment

**3.3.9
DLCEP-identifier**
two octets specifying a link-local DLCEP-identifier associated with a system variable. A DLCEP-identifier uniquely designates a single DL-accessible variable within the local link

**3.3.10
DLCEP-identifier DLPDU**
information that a bus-arbitrator emits to allocate the local link to a data publisher for the purpose of exchanging a variable

**3.3.11
DLSAP**
distinctive point at which DL-services are provided by a single DL-entity to a single higher-layer entity

NOTE   This definition, derived from ISO/IEC 7498-1, is repeated here to facilitate understanding of the critical distinction between DLSAPs and their DL-addresses.