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## FOREWORD

Amendment 1 to International Standard ISO/IEC 24764 was prepared by subcommittee 25: Interconnection of information technology equipment, of ISO/IEC joint technical committee 1: Information technology.

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Add, at the end of the existing introduction, after Figure 1, the following text:

## INTRODUCTION to Amendment 1

Amendment 1 of ISO/IEC 24764:2010 provides an introduction to the intermediate cabling subsystem and an explanatory annex for the combination of several permanent links to form a single transmission channel.

## 2 Normative references

Add, in the list of normative references, after reference ISO/IEC 11801, the following reference:

ISO/IEC 14763-2, *Information technology – Implementation and operation of customer premises cabling – Part 2: Planning and installation*

### 3.1 Terms and definitions

Add, at the end of this subclause, the following new definitions:

#### 3.1.13

##### **equipment cord**

cord connecting equipment to the equipment interfaces of generic cabling

#### 3.1.14

##### **equipment outlet**

fixed connecting device for terminating the zone distribution cabling and providing the interface to the equipment cord

#### 3.1.15

##### **intermediate distribution cable**

cable connecting the intermediate distributor to the zone distributor

#### 3.1.16

##### **intermediate distributor**

distributor used to make connections between the main distribution cabling subsystem, intermediate distribution cabling subsystem, network access cabling subsystem and cabling subsystems specified in ISO/IEC 11801 and active equipment

## 3.2 Abbreviations

Add, after the entry **EO Equipment Outlet**, the following new abbreviation:

**ID** Intermediate Distributor

**ILD** Insertion Loss Deviation

## 5 Structure of the generic cabling system

### 5.2 Functional elements

Add, after item i), the following new NOTE:

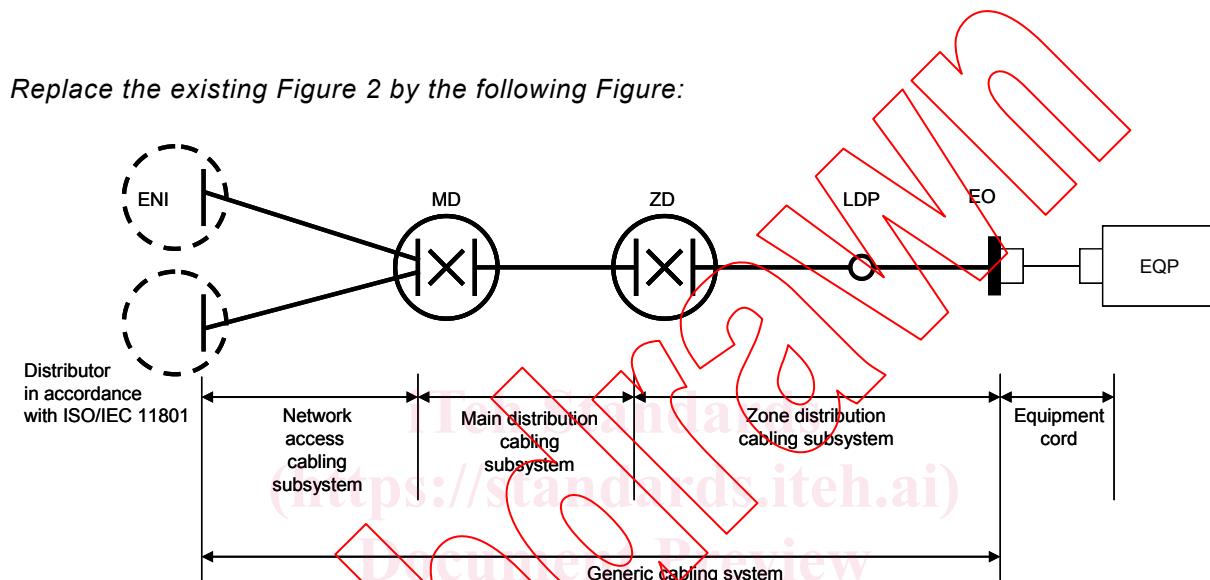
NOTE This standard includes additional functional elements, the intermediate distributor and the intermediate distribution cable. The requirements for these functional elements are defined in Annex C.

### 5.3 General structure and hierarchy

Replace the entire third paragraph by the following new paragraph and NOTE:

The functions of multiple distributors may be combined, see 5.7.1.

NOTE This standard includes an additional cabling subsystem: the intermediate cabling subsystem. The requirements for this additional cabling subsystem and the modifications to the cabling subsystems of this clause are defined in Annex C.



### 5.6 Interfaces

#### 5.6.2 Channels and links

Replace the existing second and third paragraphs by the following:

The channel is the transmission path between data centre equipment such as switches and servers (EQP in Figure 5). A typical channel in a data centre would consist of the zone distribution cabling subsystem together with an equipment cord at each end. For longer reach services, the channel would be formed by the connection of two or more subsystems (including patch cords and equipment cords), see Annex D. The performance of the channel excludes the connections at the application-specific equipment.

The permanent link is the transmission path of the fixed cabling subsystem, including the connecting hardware at the ends of the installed cable. In a data centre zone distribution cabling subsystem, the permanent link consists of the EO, an optional LDP cable, an optional LDP, the zone distribution cable and the termination of the zone distribution cable at the zone distributor. The permanent link includes the connections at the ends of the installed cabling.

## 6 Channel performance

### 6.1 General

Replace the third paragraph including bulleted list by:

Channels are implemented using either:

- network access cabling only;
- main distribution cabling only;
- zone distribution cabling only;
- a combination of the above, see Annex D.

*Add, after Annex B, the following new Annexes C and D, and move the existing Bibliography after these new Annexes:*



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## Annex C (normative)

### Intermediate distribution cabling subsystem

#### C.1 General

Depending on the size and/or complexity of the data centres, it may require an additional subsystem in order to allow for the connection of several zone distributors. In such cases, the main distributor connects several intermediate distributors, each of which acts as local main distributors.

This annex will describe the additional requirements that are required for such implementations.

#### C.2 General structure and hierarchy

##### C.2.1 General

The cabling subsystems are connected together to create a generic cabling system with a structure as shown in Figure C.1. The composition of the cabling subsystems is described in 5.4.2, 5.4.3 and 5.4.4. The functional elements of the cabling subsystems are connected to form a basic hierarchical topology as shown in Figure C.2.

Network access cabling subsystems may be connected directly to the intermediate distributor. Cabling subsystems, as specified in ISO/IEC 11801, may also be connected directly to the intermediate distributor.

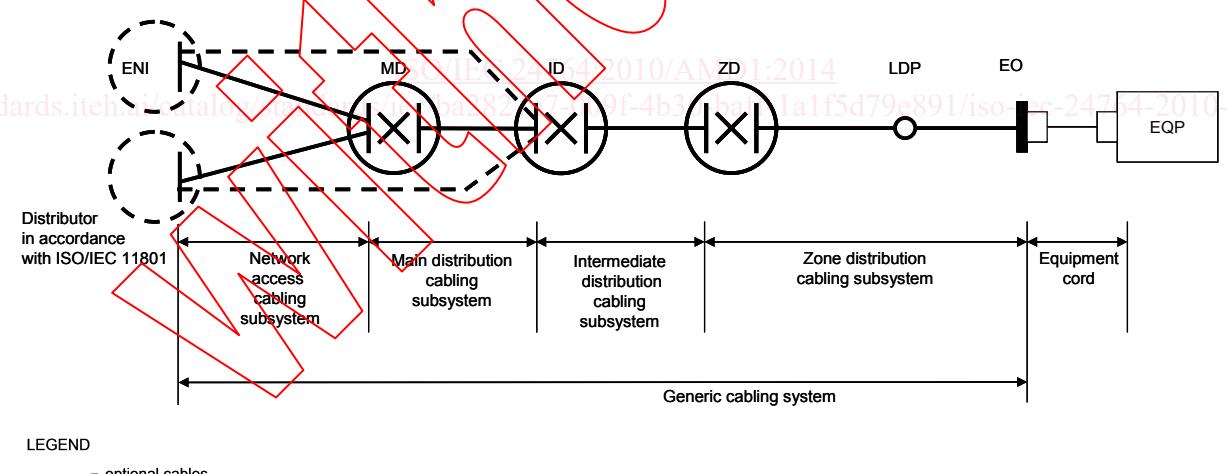
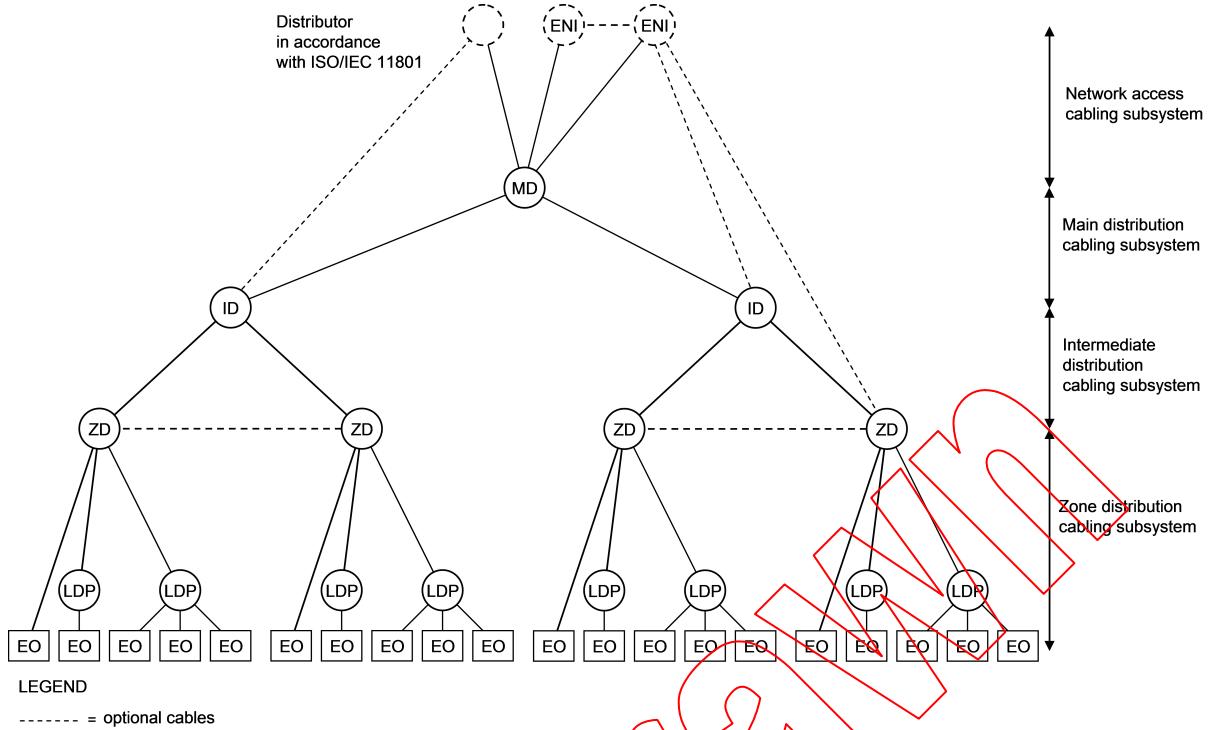


Figure C.1 – Structure of generic cabling within a data centre



**Figure C.2 – Hierarchical structure of generic cabling within a data centre**

### C.3 Cabling subsystems

#### C.3.1 Main distribution cabling subsystem

The main distribution cabling subsystem extends from an MD to the ID(s) connected to it. The subsystem includes:

- the main distribution cables;
- the mechanical termination of the main distribution cables at the MD together with associated patch cords and/or jumpers at the MD;
- the mechanical termination of the main distribution cables at the ID(s).

#### C.3.2 Intermediate distribution cabling subsystem

The intermediate distribution cabling subsystem extends from an ID to the ZD(s) connected to it.

The subsystem includes:

- the intermediate distribution cables;
- the mechanical termination of the intermediate distribution cables at the ID together with associated patch cords and/or jumpers at the ID;
- the mechanical termination of the intermediate distribution cables at the ZD(s).

#### C.3.3 Redundancy

Consideration should be given to the resilience of the data centre with respect to the cabling infrastructure. This may be enhanced by the provision of redundant distributors, cabling, and pathways.