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**Digital cinema (D-cinema) packaging —  
Part 4:  
MXF JPEG 2000 application**

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## Foreword

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## Introduction

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SMPTE 422M defines the mapping of any compliant JPEG2000 codestream into the MXF generic container and defines Keys, ULs and Essence Descriptor definitions. This document further defines the MXF mapping for Digital Cinema application.

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## 1 Scope

SMPTE 422M defines the mapping of any compliant JPEG 2000 codestream into the MXF generic container and provides Keys, ULs and essence descriptor definitions. This standard further defines the MXF mapping details and constraints for application within D-Cinema.

## 2 Normative References

The following standards contain provisions which, through reference in this text, constitute provisions of this standard. At the time of publication, the editions indicated were valid. All standards are subject to revision, and parties to agreements based on this standard are encouraged to investigate the possibility of applying the most recent edition of the standards indicated below.

SMPTE 377M-2004, Television — Material Exchange Format (MXF) — File Format Specification

SMPTE 422M-2006, Material Exchange Format (MXF) — Mapping JPEG 2000 Codestreams into the MXF Generic Container

SMPTE 428-1-2006, D-Cinema Distribution Master — Image Characteristics

SMPTE 429-3-2006, D-Cinema Packaging — Sound and Picture Track File

ISO/IEC 15444-1:2004, Information Technology — JPEG 2000 Image Coding System: Core Coding System

ISO/IEC 15444-1:2004/Amd 1:2006, Profiles for Digital Cinema Applications

## 3 Introduction

The MXF Generic Container (GC) is fully described in SMPTE 379M. SMPTE 422M specifies the mapping of JPEG 2000 codestreams as a Picture Element that may be used in the Picture Item of the MXF Generic Container. ISO-IEC 15444-1 Amd 1 specifies the JPEG 2000 profiles for use in D-Cinema applications.

This standard specifies the mapping of D-Cinema profiles of JPEG 2000 coded pictures into the MXF Generic Container.

Glossaries of acronyms, terms and data types used by the Material Exchange Format (MXF) are defined in SMPTE 377M and SMPTE 379M.

Glossaries of definitions, abbreviations and symbols used by JPEG 2000 are defined in ISO-IEC 15444-1.

### 3.1 Acronyms (Informative)

Some of the acronyms used in this document are listed here for information:

- DCDM: Digital Cinema Digital Master
- KAG: KLV Alignment Grid
- KLV: Key Length Value
- UL: Universal Label

## 4 Sampling Constraints

The source picture sampling shall comply with SMPTE 428-1.

## 5 JPEG 2000 Codestream Restrictions

The JPEG 2000 codestreams shall be restricted according to ISO-IEC 15444-1 Amd 1. This amendment defines two profiles for D-Cinema usage referred to in this standard as 2K and 4K.

## 6 MXF Mapping Constraints

The D-Cinema application shall use only frame-based wrapping as defined in SMPTE 422M. There shall only be one picture essence track in the MXF file as defined in SMPTE 429-3.

### 6.1 KLV Coding Constraints

The KLV coding structure is defined in SMPTE 422M section 5. This section defines specific values for the D-Cinema application.

#### 6.1.1 Essence Element Key

The Essence Element Key is defined in SMPTE 422M Table 1. The specific values for the D-Cinema application shall be as defined in Table 1 below.

**Table 1 – Specification of the D-Cinema Constrained JPEG 2000 Picture Element Key Value**

Byte No.	Description	Value (hex)	Meaning
1~13	See SMPTE 422M	See SMPTE 422M	As defined in SMPTE 422M
14	Essence Element Count	01h	Count of Picture Elements in the Picture item
15	Essence Element Type	08h	JPEG 2000 Frame-wrapped Picture Element
16	Essence Element Number	01h	The Number (used as an Index) of this Picture Element in the Picture Item

### 6.2 UL Constraints

#### 6.2.1 Essence Container UL

The Essence Container UL is defined in SMPTE 422M Table 2. The specific values for the D-Cinema application shall be as defined in Table 2.

**Table 2 – Specification of the Essence Container Label**

Byte No.	Description	Value (hex)	Meaning
1-14	See SMPTE 422M	See SMPTE 422M	As defined in SMPTE 422M
15	Content Kind	01h	Frame-wrapped Picture Element
16	Reserved	00h	



### 6.2.2 Picture Essence Compression UL

The Picture Essence Compression UL is defined in SMPTE 422M Table 3. The specific values for the D-Cinema application shall be as defined in Table 3.

**Table 3 – Specification of the Picture Essence Compression Label**

Byte No.	Description	Value (hex)	Meaning
1-15	See SMPTE 422M	See SMPTE 422M	As defined in SMPTE 422M
16	JPEG 2000 Codestream Restrictions	03h	Identifies codestream restrictions for the 2K D-Cinema profile.
		04h	Identifies codestream restrictions for the 4K D-Cinema profile

### 6.3 Application Issues

SMPTE 429-3 defines the Operational Pattern and the use of the KAG , the KLV Fill and Index Tables for D-Cinema applications.

### 6.4 Essence Descriptors

This section gives guidance in the use of MXF descriptors for use with this application specification.

MXF files conforming to this specification shall use the RGBA Picture Essence Descriptor defined in SMPTE 377M together with the JPEG 2000 Picture Sub Descriptor defined in SMPTE 422M.

The identification of the picture components is provided through the values of the PixelLayout Item of the RGBA Picture Essence Descriptor as defined in SMPTE 377M Annex E2.46. The DCDM color components X, Y and Z shall be coded respectively using the hexadecimal code values D8h, D9h and DAh.

NOTE – These values represent the ISO 7-bit character codes for the letters: 'X', 'Y' and 'Z' with the most significant bit of each byte set to '1'. This distinguishes the DCDM color components from the 'X', 'Y' and 'Z' character values already defined in SMPTE 377M Annex E 2.46.

Other picture essence sub-descriptors may be added to provide additional description of D-Cinema pictures.

#### 6.4.1 RGBA Picture Essence Descriptor (Informative)

Table 4 below illustrates the RGBA Picture Essence Descriptor fields that should be used in D-Cinema applications. For simplicity and readability, not all columns defined in SMPTE 377M are shown in the table. Designers should note that the values given here are for guidance only and should not be used verbatim.

NOTE – The RGBA Picture Essence Descriptor includes all the properties from the File Descriptor, the Generic Picture Essence Descriptor and the RGBA Picture Essence Descriptor as defined in SMPTE 377M. Those properties that are for MXF management or are optional are not shown in table 4 below except where useful benefit is gained. In particular, Table 4 does not define the set Key value nor its Length field, as these are defined in SMPTE 377M. For clarity, not all columns of the descriptor are shown in Table 4, particularly the 'Local Tag', 'UL Designator', 'Req' and 'Meaning' columns. Please refer to SMPTE 377M Annex D for these values.