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Foreword

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This document was prepared by Technical Committee ISO/TC 204, *Intelligent transport systems*.

This first edition of ISO 17573-1 cancels and replaces ISO 17573:2010, which has been technically revised.

The main changes compared to ISO 17573:2010 are as follows:

- update of the normative references, terms and definitions and abbreviated terms clauses and the Bibliography;
- relocation of previous Clause 8 (Information schemata and basic information types) to informative [Annex B](#);
- removal of Clauses 9 (interfaces and computational objects) and 10 (Points of observation and view point correspondences), Annex A (Short Open Distributed Processing (ODP) description), Annex B (Comparison with ISO/TS 17573:2003), Annex C (Relations with this International Standard and IFMSA), Annex D (Relation with the European Electronic Tolls Service) and Annex E (Example of the Japanese electronic toll system);
- addition of the new informative [Annex A](#) (Mapping of the EFC architecture onto the C-ITS architecture) and [Annex C](#) (Enterprise objects within roles).

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Introduction

The widespread use of tolling also requires provisions for users of vehicles that are roaming through many different toll domains. Users should be offered a single contract for driving a vehicle through various toll domains and those vehicles require on-board equipment (OBE) that is interoperable with the toll systems in the various toll domains. In Europe, for example, this need has been recognised and legislation on interoperability has been adopted (Directive 2004/52).

In addition to specialised standards there is also a need for a system architecture that:

- provides an architectural “umbrella” for other EFC standards in terms of a common definition of terms and concepts, basic system functionalities, and structure;
- provides a common terminology which supports its users to improve the quality of specifications to be used in an international market,
 - to reduce the risk for conflicting interpretations of specifications (purchaser) and descriptions (supplier),
 - to simplify the communication between experts from different continents, and
 - to enhance the potential use of other EFC standards;
- defines a common framework, which enables both:
 - identification of potential activities subject to standardization, and
 - maintaining a common and consistent view of the whole area;
- defines the boundaries between the EFC and external domains;
- identifies all architectural objects that lay inside the EFC boundaries;
- provides a basic understanding of EFC, EFC interoperability, and the EFC services being offered.

Toll systems conforming to this document may be used for various purposes including measured distance toll, road segment toll, closed network toll, cordon toll, area toll, time-based toll and collecting fees for the use of bridges, tunnels, ferries, or for parking.

ISO 17573:2010 was based on a conceptual model defined in ISO/TR 14904 (withdrawn standard). Since then ideas on conceptual models have evolved in several regional projects and implementations, e.g. in Japan and Europe. Those new models have been detailed to a further extent compared to ISO 17573:2010 and are closer to real life implementations. This document is based on these new conceptual models and uses the associated terms and definitions.

Although there are many differences, collecting a toll for vehicles can, to some extent, be compared with collecting a fare for public transport. Architectural harmonisation of the collection of fee and fare may be desirable from a policy and from a user point of view. In the past, ISO 24014-1 prepared by ISO TC 204 used ISO 17573:2010 as a starting point. This document has benefited from that and has also taken ISO 24014-1 into account.

In this document, the Open Distributed Processing (ODP) standard is used for the description of the architecture.

The ODP standard gives a vocabulary and modelling tools to see the architecture of a system from different perspectives (the viewpoints), in order to cover, e.g. hardware components as well as network protocols or interfaces or roles and general policies of the system itself. This is accomplished using different sets of concepts and terminologies, each one of those expressed as a viewpoint language. A complete description of a real system can only be achieved when all viewpoint models are designed. This allows for a clear separation of concerns and an easier way to define a system.

In more recent years, the development of concepts and standards in the field of Cooperative ITS (C-ITS, ISO TC 204 and CEN TC 278) led to the definition of a general enterprise viewpoint architecture for C-ITS (ISO 17427-1) that, by following the same approach of using the ODP architecture to model a complex system, defined concepts and terms for the more general realm of C-ITS.

This document gives a description of the architecture of the toll systems environment from the enterprise viewpoint, by refining and extending what had been already done in ISO 17573:2010. Correspondences between concepts and terms in this document and those in ISO 17427-1 are shown in [Annex A](#). In addition, this document gives in [Annex B](#) the foundations of the information viewpoint by identifying information interactions and general information objects. With respect to ISO 17573:2010, this document removes all security requirements on interfaces, which are better and more generally dealt with in ISO 19299.

This document is Part 1 of a multipart standard that is made up of the following parts:

- ISO 17573-1, *Electronic fee collection — System architecture for vehicle related tolling — Part 1: Reference model* (this document)
- ISO/TR 17573-2¹⁾, *Electronic fee collection — System architecture for vehicle related tolling — Part 2: Terminology*

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Part 1: Reference model

1 Scope

This document defines the architecture of electronic fee collection (EFC) system environments, in which a customer with one contract may use a vehicle in a variety of toll domains with a different toll charger for each domain.

EFC systems conforming to this document can be used for various purposes including road (network) tolling, area tolling, collecting fees for the usage of bridges, tunnels, ferries, for access or for parking. From a technical point of view the considered toll systems may identify vehicles subject to tolling by means of electronic equipment on-board in a vehicle or by other means (e.g. automatic number plate recognition, ANPR).

From a process point of view the architectural description focuses on toll determination, toll charging, and the associated enforcement measures. The actual collection of the toll, i.e. collecting payments, is outside of the scope of this document.

The architecture in this document is defined with no more details than required for an overall overview, a common language, an identification of the need for and interactions among other standards, and the drafting of these standards.

This document as a whole provides:

- the enterprise view on the architecture, which is concerned with the purpose, scope and policies governing the activities of the specified system within the organization of which it is a part;
- the terms and definitions for common use in an EFC environment;
- a decomposition of the EFC systems environment into its main enterprise objects;
- the roles and responsibilities of the main actors. This document does not impose that all roles perform all indicated responsibilities. It should also be clear that the responsibilities of a role may be shared between two or more actors. Mandating the performance of certain responsibilities is the task of standards derived from this architecture;
- identification of the provided services by means of action diagrams that underline the needed standardised exchanges;
- identification of the interoperability interfaces for EFC systems, in specialised standards (specified or to be specified).

2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements 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 7498-1:1994, *Information technology — Open Systems Interconnection — Basic Reference Model: The Basic Model — Part 1*

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ISO/IEC 10746-2, *Information technology — Open distributed processing — Reference model: Foundations — Part 2*

ISO/IEC 10746-3, *Information technology — Open distributed processing — Reference model: Architecture — Part 3*

ISO 14813-5, *Transport information and control systems — Reference model architecture(s) for the TICS sector — Part 5: Requirements for architecture description in TICS standard*

ISO/IEC 15414, *Information technology — Open distributed processing — Reference model — Enterprise language*

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in ISO/IEC 7498-1:1994, ISO/IEC 10746-2, ISO/IEC 10746-3, ISO 14813-5 and ISO/IEC 15414, and the following apply.

ISO and IEC maintain terminological databases for use in standardization at the following addresses:

- ISO Online browsing platform: available at <https://www.iso.org/obp>
- IEC Electropedia: available at <http://www.electropedia.org/>

3.1 automatic number plate recognition

technology that uses optical character recognition on images to read vehicle registration plates

3.2 artefact

physical object of material or physical piece of information or a system or subsystem that is used in an ITS system

3.3 billing detail

information needed to determine or verify the amount due for the usage of a given service

3.4 context data

information defined by the responsible toll charger necessary to establish the toll due for circulating a vehicle on a particular toll domain and to conclude the toll transaction

3.5 electronic fee collection

fee collection by electronic means

Note 1 to entry: The actual payment (collection of the fee) may take place outside the toll system.

3.6 enforcement

measures or actions performed to achieve compliance with laws, regulations or rules

Note 1 to entry: In this context: the process of compelling observance of a toll regime.

3.7 interoperability

ability of systems to exchange information and to make mutual use of the information that has been exchanged

EXAMPLE Tolling interoperability aims at enabling a vehicle to drive through various toll domains while having only one OBE operating under one contract with a toll service provider.

3.8**localisation augmentation**

information sent by the roadside equipment to the on-board equipment to augment the positioning for autonomous systems

3.9**on-board equipment**

all required equipment on-board a vehicle for performing required electronic fee collection (EFC) functions and communication services

3.10**roadside equipment**

equipment located along the road, either fixed or mobile

3.11**role**

set of responsibilities

3.12**short-range communication**

tolling technique based on transfer of information via a radio connection between a roadside equipment and an on-board equipment

Note 1 to entry: This includes 5,8 GHz DSRC as well as ITS-G5 and RFID.

3.13**tariff scheme**

set of rules to determine the fee due for a vehicle within a toll domain

3.14**toll**

charge, tax or duty levied in connection to using a vehicle in a toll domain

3.15**Toll Charger**

entity which levies a toll for the use of vehicles in a toll domain

3.16**toll declaration**

statement to declare the usage of a given toll service to a toll charger

3.17**toll domain**

area or part of a road network where a certain toll regime is applied

3.18**toll regime**

set of rules, including enforcement rules, governing the collection of a toll in a toll domain

3.19**toll scheme**

organizational view of a toll regime, including the actors and their relationships

3.20**toll service**

service enabling users to pay a toll

3.21**Toll Service Provider**

entity providing toll services in one or more toll domains

3.22

transport service

transport infrastructure related service which is offered to the user

3.23

trust object

information object that is exchanged between entities to ensure mutual trust

EXAMPLE Electronic signature or an electronic certificate.

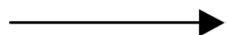
4 Symbols and abbreviated terms

4.1 Symbols

In action diagrams, the following graphical conventions apply:



Rounded corner boxes indicate responsibilities and related activities within roles



Arrows crossing borders between roles indicate information exchanges between roles as activities performed within responsibilities



Vertical arrows within activities represent execution steps
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Solid circles represent start of activities



Partially coloured circles represent end of activities



Solid horizontal bars represent decision gates

4.2 Abbreviated terms

For the purpose of this document, the following abbreviated terms apply throughout the document unless otherwise specified.

- ANPR Automatic Number Plate Recognition
- CE Central Equipment
- C-ITS Cooperative ITS
- DSRC Dedicated Short-Range Communication
- EETS European Electronic Toll Service
- EFC Electronic Fee Collection
- GNSS Global Navigation Satellite Systems

ID	Identity
IFMSA	Interoperable Fare Management System Architecture
ITS	Intelligent Transport Systems
OBE	On-board Equipment
ODP	Open Distributed Processing
RFID	Radio Frequency Identification
RSE	Roadside Equipment
SAM	Secure Application Module
SLA	Service Level Agreement
SRC	Short Range Communication
TC	toll charger
TSP	toll service provider

5 The EFC community: roles and objectives

5.1 General

Electronic fee collection (EFC) is an ITS service enabling the user of a vehicle-related transport service to pay for the related transport service, e.g. the use of a tolled road, without manual intervention. The ITS application providing the ITS service will usually be implemented in equipment installed in the vehicle, at the roadside and in central systems. In some scenarios, it also includes personal equipment, e.g. smartphones.

The EFC architecture can be described by a community of external and internal enterprise objects with the objective of providing an EFC service with its benefits regarding traffic safety, traffic efficiency, comfort and mobility to the EFC service user. External enterprise objects are involved in the provision of the EFC service but are not set up for the sole purpose of EFC. This document only includes the definition of the internal enterprise objects, but the external enterprise objects are shortly described in this clause to give the complete picture of the EFC community. [Figure 1](#) shows the external objects in the EFC community.

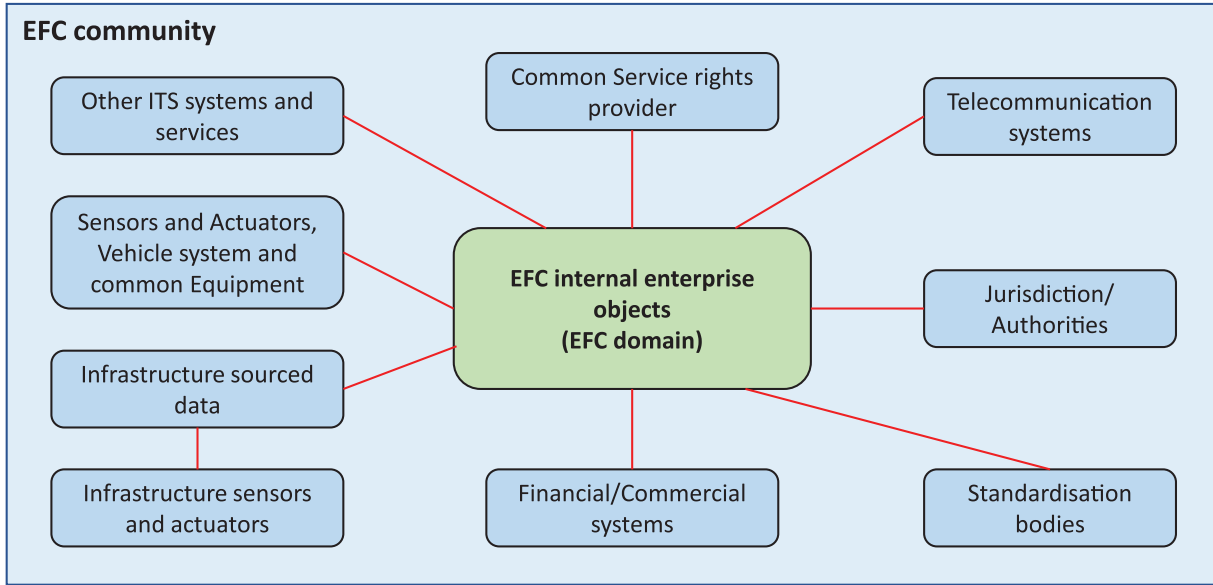


Figure 1 — Enterprise objects in the EFC community

The following subclauses give a concise description of each enterprise object depicted in [Figure 1](#). Detailed responsibilities for roles defined within the EFC domain are dealt with in [Clause 6](#).

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5.2 Other ITS systems and services

An ITS service may generally build on data provided by other ITS systems or ITS services. Objects in the EFC domain may for instance receive data from other traffic management or information systems as input to pricing algorithms used in an EFC system.

5.3 Sensors, vehicle system and common equipment

An EFC domain may use information from vehicle sensors and data stores integrated in the vehicle where the main purposes of the sensor or data store are not related to EFC. The information is retrieved from the sensors and data stores and used for the toll or fee calculation. Examples of such sensors and data stores are GNSS sensors (e.g. in devices used for navigation, fleet management), tachograph, trailer sensor, suspension sensors, axle in use sensors and vehicle-related information stored in a secure application module (SAM). The data stores could be either in the vehicle or elsewhere, e.g. a computer installed within the EFC domain.

NOTE Shipped goods may become relevant in future tolling schemes.

5.4 Infrastructure sourced data

An EFC domain may use data from environmental sensors, e.g. pollution measurements, for the toll or fee calculation. A dynamic road pricing scheme may for instance use both the pollution measurements from environmental sensors and the data on traffic flows and speeds for the dynamic toll or fee calculation. Sensors that are solely installed for the purpose of EFC are defined to be part of the internal enterprise objects.

5.5 Financial/Commercial systems

The functionality requested from financial/commercial systems is to provide the financial services requested by the EFC internal enterprise objects. The services will mainly be transfer of money between entities in the EFC community. It is important to note that the EFC internal enterprise objects handle charging data while the financial/commercial systems handle payment information (‘money’).

This document makes a strict distinction between the payment (financial) domain supporting the EFC domain and the charging domain within the EFC domain itself. Only the charging in the EFC domain is covered by this document.

5.6 Telecommunication systems

The functionality requested from the telecommunication systems is to provide telecom services requested by the EFC domain. Examples of such services could be cable network for transfer of data between the operators of the EFC internal enterprise objects and air-interface network for transfer of data between the EFC charging equipment and the OBE, when not covered by EFC specific artifacts.

5.7 Jurisdiction/Authorities

The responsibilities of the external enterprise object called Jurisdiction/Authorities is to define the framework in which an EFC domain shall operate. The framework is defined by policies constituting laws and regulations, mandates, constraints and requirements. Different authorities define different policies:

- Road and transport authorities, e.g. a department of transport, may define policies related to the type of and availability, reliability and quality of the transport service subject to a toll or fee. The authorities may also, in co-operation with the financial authorities, define policies for tariffing principles to be used in an EFC domain. The authorities may also, in co-operation with the financial authorities, define the policies that govern the configuration of the EFC enterprise objects and assignment of roles to enterprise objects as well as the environmental contracts that govern the system. An example here would be that the authorities define the policy which is the basis for the contract between an operator taking the role of issuing EFC contracts and the operators taking the toll charging roles.
- Telecom authorities may define policies for the use of telecom systems, e.g. frequencies in air-interface communication systems.
- Financial authorities may define policies for an EFC domain and the financial environment it shall operate, e.g. whether the toll is a tax or a fee. They may also define policies for the use of certain types of payment means, e.g. electronic purses, and the split of roles between the EFC domain and the financial systems.
- Data protection authorities may define policies for the security and privacy in an EFC domain.
- Certification authorities may issue public key certificates.

The interactions between the EFC domain and the authorities also cover access to information kept by the authorities, e.g. national vehicle registers.

5.8 Standardisation bodies

The responsibilities of the standardisation bodies are to provide EFC standards and other standards or specifications relevant for EFC domain. There are interactions with an EFC domain concerning EFC standards to be used for EFC domain as well as input from EFC domain to the standardisation bodies, e.g. by toll charging operators taking part in the preparation of EFC standards.

5.9 Common service rights provider

The responsibilities of the common service rights provider are to provide the basic artefacts, mechanism, organizational structure, and information transfer tools by which an EFC system can interoperate with other transport systems. The common service rights provider allows, among other things, for a single means of payment to be used, e.g. in both EFC systems and public transport systems.