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This third edition cancels and replaces the second edition (ISO 3166-2:2013), which has been the last one published as paper standard, with the normative text and the codes together. In the end of 2013, the ISO 3166 codes have been moved to the database format (de facto merging three parts together).

This third edition is a minor revision to the last published ISO 3166-2:2013 standard, principles and lists together. It takes into account the stricter database rules imposed on the code itself, as opposed to paper documents.

The main changes compared to the previous edition are as follows:

— The components of the codes are defined by descriptors, not by column or line numbers

— The status of alpha-2 code element is explicit, as it is the main resource managed by ISO 3166/MA, necessary for traceability over time

— All characters in the database, specifically those with diacritical marks, have been checked with Universal Multiple-Octet Coded Character Set, ISO/IEC 10646

— The database encoding is UTF-8, and the same is used in many applications

— The three parts - three codes - belong to the same database, updates are done only once for all parts

— The ISO 3166 standard as database permits to update any application using it in a quick and effective manner

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Introduction

ISO 3166 provides universally applicable coded representations of names of countries (current and non-current), dependencies, and other areas of particular geopolitical interest and their subdivisions.

ISO 3166-1, establishes codes that represent the current names of countries, dependencies, and other areas of particular geopolitical interest, on the basis of country names obtained from the United Nations.

ISO 3166-2 establishes a code that represents the names of the principal administrative divisions, or similar areas, of the countries and entities included in this part of ISO 3166.

ISO 3166-3 establishes a code that represents non-current country names, i.e. the country names deleted from ISO 3166 since its first publication in 1974.

The three parts of ISO 3166 do not express any opinion whatsoever concerning the legal status of any country, dependency, or other area named herein, or concerning its frontiers or boundaries.

A list of all parts in the ISO 3166- series can be found on the ISO website.

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Codes for the representation of names of countries and their subdivisions —

Part 2:
Country subdivision code

1 Scope

The ISO 3166 standard establishes codes for the representation of the names of countries, dependencies, and other areas of particular geopolitical interest, on the basis of lists of country names obtained from the United Nations. This part of ISO 3166 is intended for use in any application requiring the expression of current country names in coded form; it also includes basic guidelines for its implementation and maintenance.

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 639-1, *Codes for the representation of names of languages — Part 1: Alpha-2 code*

ISO 639-2, *Codes for the representation of names of languages — Part 2: Alpha-3 code*

ISO 639-3, *Codes for the representation of names of languages — Part 3: Alpha-3 code for comprehensive coverage of languages*

ISO/IEC 10646, *Information technology — Universal Coded Character Set (UCS)*

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3 Terms and definitions

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

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

— IEC Electropedia: available at http://www.electropedia.org/

— ISO Online browsing platform: available at https://www.iso.org/obp

3.1
code
set of data transformed or represented in different forms according to a pre-established set of rules

[SOURCE: ISO 5127:2017, 3.1.13.10]

Note 1 to entry: Former ISO 5127:2001, 1.1.4 -07

3.2
code element
the result of applying a code to an element of a coded set

[SOURCE: ISO/IEC 2382:2015, 2121555]

Note 1 to entry: Adapted from the term *code value* ISO/IEC 2382-4:1999, 04.02.04.

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Note 2 to entry: In the country subdivision code part, a code element represents a country subdivision name.

3.3
country code
list of country names with their representations by code elements

Note 1 to entry: alpha-2, alpha-3 and numeric-3 are the country code types.

3.4
country name
name of a country, dependency, or other area of particular geopolitical interest

3.7
language of ISO 3166 standard
language in which the terminology has been defined

Note 1 to entry: based on the ISO standards “Information and documentation vocabulary” and “Information technology vocabulary"

Note 2 to entry: English and French are languages of the ISO 3166 standard

Note 3 to entry: the terminology shall be maintained current

3.8
administrative language of the country
written language used by the administration of the country at the national level

3.11
alpha-2 country code
an alphabetic 2 character (alpha-2) code

Note 1 to entry: which is generally recommended to represent country name

3.14
short country NAME, in capital letters
short form of the country name, distinctive word first

Note 1 to entry: in language of the ISO 3166 standard

Note 2 to entry: this item might be inverted, allowing the distinctive word to appear first, so that items can be easily found in an alphabetical list

3.20
alpha-2 language code
alpha-2 ISO 639 language code element of each administrative language of the country

Note 1 to entry: with a hyphen-minus when the code element is missing

3.21
alpha-3 language code
alpha-3 (terminological version) ISO 639 language code element of each administrative language of the country

Note 1 to entry: with a hyphen-minus when the code element is missing

3.22
local short country name
local short form of the country name

Note 1 to entry: in administrative language of the country

Note 2 to entry: might be in language of the ISO 3166 standard as remark, see 3.18

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