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Foreword

ISO (the International Organization for Standardization) is a worldwide federation of national standards bodies (ISO member bodies). The work of preparing International Standards is normally carried out through ISO technical committees. Each member body interested in a subject for which a technical committee has been established has the right to be represented on that committee. International organizations, governmental and non-governmental, in liaison with ISO, also take part in the work. ISO collaborates closely with the International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC) on all matters of electrotechnical standardization.

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

This first edition cancels and replaces the first edition (ISO/TS 21219-15:2016), which has been technically revised.

The main changes are as follows:

- Lane Level feature has been added for all TEC events;
- Road Closure feature has been added for roads with At-Grade Junctions;
- the document has been changed from a Technical Specification to an International Standard.

A list of all parts in the ISO 21219 series can be found on the ISO website.

Any feedback or questions on this document should be directed to the user's national standards body. A complete listing of these bodies can be found at www.iso.org/members.html.

Introduction

0.1 History

TPEG technology was originally proposed by the European Broadcasting Union (EBU) Broadcast Management Committee, who established the B/TPEG project group in the autumn of 1997 with a brief to develop, as soon as possible, a new protocol for broadcasting traffic and travel-related information in the multimedia environment. TPEG technology, its applications and service features were designed to enable travel-related messages to be coded, decoded, filtered and understood by humans (visually and/or audibly in the user's language) and by agent systems. Originally, a byte-oriented data stream format, which can be carried on almost any digital bearer with an appropriate adaptation layer, was developed. Hierarchically structured TPEG messages from service providers to end-users were designed to transfer information from the service provider database to an end-user's equipment.

One year later, in December 1998, the B/TPEG group produced its first EBU specifications. Two documents were released. Part 2 (TPEG-SSF, which became ISO/TS 18234-2) described the syntax, semantics and framing structure which was used for all TPEG applications. Meanwhile, Part 4 (TPEG-RTM, which became ISO/TS 18234-4) described the first application for road traffic messages.

Subsequently, in March 1999, CEN/TC 278, in conjunction with ISO/TC 204, established a group comprising members of the former EBU B/TPEG and this working group continued development work. Further parts were developed to make the initial set of four parts, enabling the implementation of a consistent service. Part 3 (TPEG-SNI, later ISO/TS 18234-3) described the service and network information application used by all service implementations to ensure appropriate referencing from one service source to another.

Part 1 (TPEG-INV, later ISO/TS 18234-1) completed the series by describing the other parts and their relationship; it also contained the application IDs used within the other parts. Additionally, Part 5, the public transport information application (TPEG-PTI, later ISO/TS 18234-5), was developed. The so-called TPEG-LOC location referencing method, which enabled both map-based TPEG-decoders and non-map-based ones to deliver either map-based location referencing or human-readable text information, was issued as ISO/TS 18234-6 to be used in association with the other applications of parts of the ISO 18234 series to provide location referencing.

The ISO 18234 series has become known as TPEG Generation 1.

0.2 TPEG Generation 2

When the Traveller Information Services Association (TISA), derived from former forums, was inaugurated in December 2007, TPEG development was taken over by TISA and continued in the TPEG applications working group.

It was about this time that the (then) new Unified Modelling Language (UML) was seen as having major advantages for the development of new TPEG applications in communities who would not necessarily have binary physical format skills required to extend the original TPEG TS work. It was also realized that the XML format for TPEG described within the ISO/TS 24530 series (now superseded) had a greater significance than previously foreseen, especially in the content-generation segment and that keeping two physical formats in synchronism, in different standards series, would be rather difficult.

As a result, TISA set about the development of a new TPEG structure that would be UML-based. This has subsequently become known as TPEG Generation 2.

TPEG2 is embodied in the ISO 21219 series and it comprises many parts that cover introduction, rules, toolkit and application components. TPEG2 is built around UML modelling and has a core of rules that contain the modelling strategy covered in ISO 21219-2, ISO 21219-3 and ISO 21219-4 and the conversion to two current physical formats: binary and XML; others can be added in the future. TISA uses an automated tool to convert from the agreed UML model XMI file directly into an MS Word document file, to minimize drafting errors; this file forms the annex for each physical format.

TPEG2 has a three-container conceptual structure: message management (ISO 21219-6), application (several parts) and location referencing (ISO/TS 21219-7). This structure has flexible capability and can accommodate many differing use cases that have been proposed within the TTI sector and wider for hierarchical message content.

TPEG2 also has many location referencing options as required by the service provider community, any of which may be delivered by vectoring data included in the location referencing container.

The following classification provides a helpful grouping of the different TPEG2 parts according to their intended purpose. Note that the list below is potentially incomplete, as there is the possibility that new TPEG2 parts will be introduced after the publication of this document.

- Toolkit parts: TPEG2-INV (ISO 21219-1), TPEG2-UML (ISO 21219-2), TPEG2-UBCR (ISO 21219-3), TPEG2-UXCR (ISO 21219-4), TPEG2-SFW (ISO 21219-5), TPEG2-MMC (ISO 21219-6), TPEG2-LRC (ISO/TS 21219-7).
- Special applications: TPEG2-SNI (ISO 21219-9), TPEG2-CAI (ISO 21219-10), TPEG2-LTE (ISO/TS 21219-24).
- Location referencing: TPEG2-OLR (ISO/TS 21219-22), TPEG2-GLR (ISO/TS 21219-21), TPEG2-TLR (ISO 17572-2), TPEG2-DLR (ISO 17572-3).
- Applications: TPEG2-PKI (ISO 21219-14), TPEG2-TEC (ISO 21219-15 - this document), TPEG2-FPI (ISO 21219-16), TPEG2-SPI (ISO 21219-17), TPEG2-TFP (ISO 21219-18), TPEG2-WEA (ISO 21219-19), TPEG2-RMR (ISO/TS 21219-23), TPEG2-EMI (ISO/TS 21219-25), TPEG2-VLI (ISO/TS 21219-26).

TPEG2 has been developed to be broadly (but not totally) backward compatible with TPEG1 to assist in transitions from earlier implementations, while not hindering the TPEG2 innovative approach and being able to support many new features, such as dealing with applications with both long-term, unchanging content and highly dynamic content, such as parking information.

This document is based on the TISA specification technical/editorial version reference:

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Part 15: Traffic event compact (TPEG2-TEC)

1 Scope

This document specifies the "traffic event compact" (TEC) TPEG application. The TEC application has been specifically designed to support information about traffic events (e.g. road works, traffic jams). A specific form of traffic event is local hazard warnings which, being safety-related messages, are sent with high priority to warn a driver of unexpected dangerous situations (e.g. black-ice, accident beyond curves, obstacles on road, etc.).

Generally, the TEC application is designed to allow receivers to:

- ensure travel safety for the driver;
- enable the calculation of alternative routes;
- avoid delays (e.g. traffic jams);
- warn the driver of obstructions on route; and
- provide the driver with information on infrastructural problems (e.g. closed petrol stations, non-functioning emergency telephones).

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 21219-1, *Intelligent transport systems — Traffic and travel information (TTI) via transport protocol experts group, generation 2 (TPEG2) — Part 1: Introduction, numbering and versions (TPEG2-INV)*

ISO 21219-6, *Intelligent transport systems — Traffic and travel information (TTI) via transport protocol experts group, generation 2 (TPEG2) — Part 6: Message management container (TPEG2-MMC)*

ISO 21219-9, *Intelligent transport systems — Traffic and travel information (TTI) via transport protocol experts group, generation 2 (TPEG2) — Part 9: Service and network information (TPEG2-SNI)*

ISO 21219-10, *Intelligent transport systems — Traffic and travel information (TTI) via transport protocol experts group, generation 2 (TPEG2) — Part 10: Conditional access information (TPEG2-CAI)*

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in ISO 21219-1, ISO 21219-9, ISO 21219-10 and the following apply.

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

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

3.1
local hazard warning
specific form of traffic event (a safety-related message) which is sent with high priority to assist a driver in avoiding encountering dangerous situations

4 Abbreviated terms

For the purposes of this document, the abbreviated terms in ISO 21219-1, ISO 21219-9, ISO 21219-19 and the following apply.

AR access road

BP bypass

CR closed road

ITS intelligent transport systems

LA limited access

LRC location referencing container

mi miles

MMC message management container [ISO 21219-15:2023](https://standards.iteh.ai/catalog/standards/sist/07a90d54-bb05-498f-8302-a21195d27909/iso-21219-15-2023)

NR not recommended

XML eXtensible Markup Language

5 Application specific constraints

5.1 Application identification

The word “application” is used in the TPEG specifications to describe specific subsets of the TPEG structure. An application defines a limited vocabulary for a certain type of messages, for example, parking information or road traffic information. Each TPEG application is assigned a unique number, called the application identity (AID). An AID number is defined in ISO 21219-1 whenever a new application is developed.

The AID number is used within the TPEG2-SNI application (ISO 21219-9) to indicate how to process TPEG content. It facilitates the routing of information to the appropriate application decoder.

5.2 Version number signalling

Version numbering is used to track the separate versions of an application through its development and deployment. The differences between these versions could have an impact on client devices.

The version numbering principle is defined in ISO 21219-9.

[Table 1](#) shows the current version numbers for signalling TEC within the SNI application.

Table 1 — Current version numbers for signalling of TEC

Major version number	3
Minor version number	4

5.3 Ordered components

TPEG2-TEC requires a fixed order of TPEG components. The order for the TEC message component is shown in [Figure 1](#). The first component shall be the message management container (MMC). This shall be the only component if the message is a cancellation message. Otherwise, the MMC component shall be followed by one or more *ADC* component(s) which includes the application-specific information.

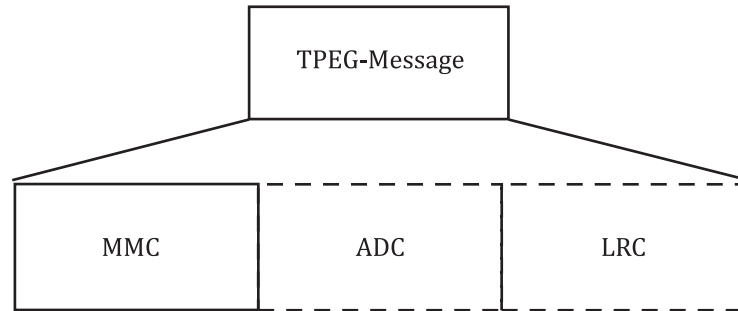


Figure 1 — Composition of TPEG messages

5.4 Extension

Although it is necessary to maintain a fixed component order, this does not prevent the extension of a TEC message generally. In case of future extensions, new components may be inserted, or existing components may be replaced by new ones without losing backward compatibility. This requires that a TEC decoder shall be able to detect and skip unknown components.

Components of the same type shall be included sequentially without interleaving other component types.

EXAMPLE (allowed)

[Figure 2](#) shows the original component model being extended to the new component model in [Figure 3](#). The Advice component shown in [Figure 2](#) is replaced by BetterAdvice with its own component ID. A WeatherSituation component is inserted after BetterAdvice component.

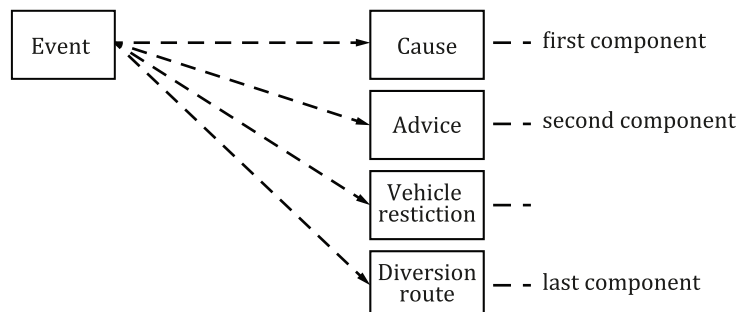


Figure 2 — Example for extension (original component model, before addition of additional components)

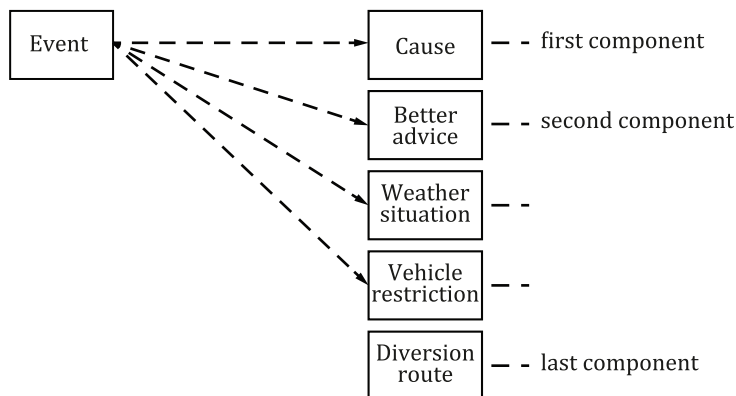


Figure 3 — Example for extension (Advice replaced by BetterAdvice and WeatherSituation added)

5.5 TPEG service component frame

TPEG2-TEC (this document) makes use of the “service component frame with dataCRC, groupPriority and messageCount” according to ISO 21219-5.

6 TEC structure

The structure of TEC messages is presented in [Figure 4](#). This structure conforms to the UML modelling rules defined in ISO 21219-2. The binary format and XML format of the TPEG2-TEC application for use in transmission shall be in accordance with [Annexes A](#) and [B](#), respectively.

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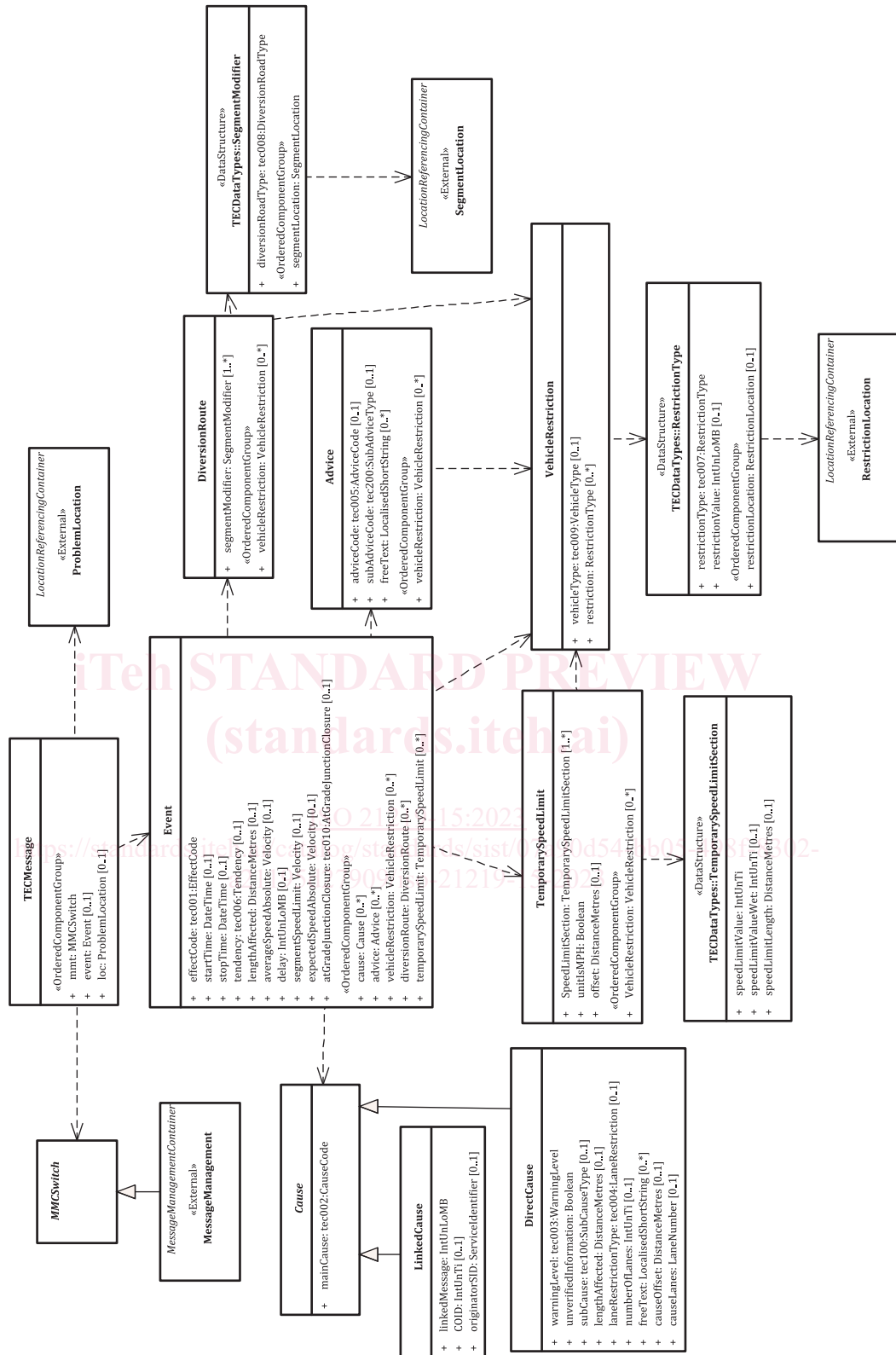


Figure 4 — TEC message structure

7 TEC message components

7.1 TECMessage

A TECMessage is either a normal message or a cancellation message. A normal message (i.e. other than cancellation messages) shall include the following:

- one management container with management information related to the overall message (ID and version, expiry time);
- one event container with one traffic flow effect and optional one or more causes with additional information;
- one location container with the location reference for the overall traffic message.

The message management container is mandatory, the event- and location reference container are optional.

Event and ProblemLocation are modelled optionally because cancel messages do not contain these elements: cancellation messages shall not include an event and location reference container whereas normal messages (cancelFlag = false) shall include exactly one event and one location reference container.

Table 2 defines the TECMessage component.

Table 2 — TECMessage

Name	Type	Multiplicity	Description
Ordered Components			
mmt	MMCSwitch	1	MMC
event	Event	0..1	Describes the impact on the traffic flow and the related cause (always included except for cancellation of a message).
loc	ProblemLocation	0..1	LRC (always included except for cancellation of a message).

7.2 MMCSwitch

The MMCSwitch is an abstract container included for formal reasons, to allow future extension of the MessageManagementContainer.

7.3 MessageManagement

The MessageManagement component is a placeholder for the MessageManagementContainer as specified in ISO 21219-6. It assigns the TEC application specific local component ID for the MessageManagementContainer. All component IDs within this container are local to the MMC toolkit. The MessageManagementContainer contains all and only information related to message management.

Message generation systems shall ensure that the information given in the MessageManagementContainer promotes unambiguous interpretation over the whole time a message is valid. It is particularly important to recognize that client devices are likely to suffer from non-continuous transmission channels as typically encountered in broadcast systems suffering intermittent RF performance.

TEC shall only use the monolithic message management as specified in ISO 21219-6. Multi-part messages management shall not be used.

7.4 Event

The Event component with its subordinated component Cause supports the definition, in general, of the impact on the traffic flow and the related cause.

EXAMPLE Stationary Traffic (due to) Narrow Lanes.

[Table 3](#) defines the Event component.

Table 3 — Event component

Name	Type	Multiplicity	Description
effectCode	tec001:EffectCode	1	Describes the impairment of the traffic flow.
startTime	DateTime	0..1	Date and time at which an event began or is scheduled to begin (intended to be used for presentation to the end-user).
stopTime	DateTime	0..1	Date and time at which an event, or status information, ended or is scheduled to end (intended to be used for presentation to the end-user).
tendency	tec006:Tendency	0..1	Tendency is related to the averageSpeedAbsolute indicating if this has been increasing, decreasing or has remained constant. Timescale of this trend should be typically in the range of 30 min or less, but is defined by the service provider. It is not a forecast of a future trend, nor does it relate to the length of the traffic queue.
lengthAffected	DistanceMetres	0..1	Length of the event in metres.
averageSpeedAbsolute	Velocity	0..1	The actual average speed in m/s at the given location. It is recommended to use this value for calculation of the route and estimated arrival time.
delay	IntUnLoMB	0..1	Delay in minutes added to journey due to event at the location. Only applicable to point locations, i.e. at border crossings.
segmentSpeedLimit	Velocity	0..1	Averaged speed limit (in m/s) within the problem location. Within the problem location, multiple speed limits can exist (e.g. multiple reducing speed limits on entering a roadworks zone). The average speed limit is calculated as: the total length (in m) of the problem location divided by the sum of the individual travel times travel times (s) when travelling at the defined speed limit. Shall be used as the speed limit for re-routing, but not to display or warn the driver.
expectedSpeedAbsolute	Velocity	0..1	The expected (normal) speed in m/s for this time of the day based on, e.g. historical data. This speed can potentially vary as function of the time of day and can be markedly different from the free-flow speed (especially in rush hour conditions).