
**Geographic information —
Metadata —**

**Part 2:
Extensions for acquisition and
processing**

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This document was prepared by ISO/TC 211, *Geographic information/Geomatics*.

This second edition cancels and replaces the first edition (ISO 19115-2:2009), which has been technically revised.

The following is a summary of major changes to this document during the revision process:

- The name and scope were changed to better describe the purpose of the document;
- QE_CoverageResult and QE_Useability were moved to ISO 19157;
- All extended classes now extend ISO 19115-1:2014;
- Whereas the XML Schema encoding for ISO 19115-2:2009 was provided in ISO/TS 19139-2; the link and information about the XML schema for this revision is provided in [Annex C](#) of this document;
- A specified class of MI_Instrument – MI_Sensor was defined. A list of all the parts in the ISO 19115 series, can be found on the ISO website.

Introduction

This document replaces the previous edition (ISO 19115-2:2009) *Geographic information — Metadata — Extension for imagery and gridded data*, which focused on metadata for imagery and gridded data as they are important information sources and products used within a geospatial environment by geographic information systems. During the revision process it was noted that this metadata applied to the acquisition and processing of geographic information from all sources not just imagery and gridded data. Hence, the new title *Geographic information — Metadata — Extensions for acquisition and processing*. The production of all geographic information, including imagery and gridded data, follows one or more process chains that begins with remote sensing data, scanned maps, field data collection or other sensing methods and ends with the creation of the end data products. The production process needs to be documented to maintain quality control over the end products. In addition, metadata about the geometry of the measuring process and the properties of the measuring equipment need to be retained with the raw data to support the production process.

The object of this document is to provide the additional structure needed to more extensively describe the acquisition and processing of geographic information from all sources. This structure is intended to augment ISO 19115-1. This document also provides an XML schema for implementing this document using ISO/TS 19115-3.

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Geographic information — Metadata —

Part 2: Extensions for acquisition and processing

1 Scope

This document extends ISO 19115-1:2014 by defining the schema required for an enhanced description of the acquisition and processing of geographic information, including imagery. Included are the properties of measuring systems and the numerical methods and computational procedures used to derive geographic information from the data acquired by them. This document also provides the XML encoding for acquisition and processing metadata thereby extending the XML schemas defined in ISO/TS 19115-3.

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 19103:2015, *Geographic information — Conceptual schema language*

ISO 19115-1:2014, *Geographic information — Metadata — Part 1: Fundamentals*

ISO 19157:2013, *Geographic information — Data quality*

ISO/IEC 19501:2005, *Information technology — Open Distributed Processing — Unified Modeling Language (UML) Version 1.4.2*

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3 Terms and definitions

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

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

3.1

attribute

named property of an entity

Note 1 to entry: Describes a geometrical, topological, thematic, or other characteristic of an entity.

[SOURCE: ISO/IEC 2382:2015, 2121440, modified — Note 1 to entry replaces Notes 1 and 2 to entry.]

3.2

band

range of wavelengths of electromagnetic radiation that produce a single response by a sensing device

[SOURCE: ISO/TS 19101-2:2008, 4.1]