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Introduction

The ISO/IEC 18013 series establishes guidelines for the design format and data content of an ISO-compliant driving licence (IDL) with regard to human-readable features (ISO/IEC 18013-1), ISO machine-readable technologies (ISO/IEC 18013-2), access control, authentication and integrity validation (ISO/IEC 18013-3), and associated test methods (ISO/IEC 18013-4). It creates a common basis for international use and mutual recognition of the IDL without impeding individual countries/states in applying their privacy rules and national/community/regional motor vehicle authorities in taking care of their specific needs.

This document describes interface and related requirements to facilitate ISO-compliant driving licence (IDL) functionality on a mobile device. The requirements are specifically intended to enable verifiers not affiliated with or associated with the issuing authority to gain access to and authenticate the information. In addition, the requirements allow the holder of the driving licence to decide what information to return to a verifier. Other characteristics include the ability to update information frequently, and to authenticate information at a high level of confidence.

A mobile document conforming to this document primarily conveys the driving privileges associated with a person. It does so by providing means to associate the person presenting the mobile document with the mobile document itself. However, the transaction and security mechanisms in this document have been designed to support other types of mobile documents, specifically including identification documents. Consequently the mechanisms in this document can be used for any type of mobile identification document, regardless of the additional attributes the mobile document may convey. The details of the data elements to be used by other mobile documents are left to the respective issuing authority and are not within the scope of this document.

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Personal identification — ISO-compliant driving licence —

Part 5:
Mobile driving licence (mDL) application

1 Scope

This document establishes interface specifications for the implementation of a driving licence in association with a mobile device. This document specifies the interface between the mobile driving licence (mDL) and mDL reader and the interface between the mDL reader and the issuing authority infrastructure. This document also enables parties other than the issuing authority (e.g. other issuing authorities, or mDL verifiers in other countries) to:

— use a machine to obtain the mDL data;

— tie the mDL to the mDL holder;

— authenticate the origin of the mDL data;

— verify the integrity of the mDL data.

The following items are out of scope for this document:

— how mDL holder consent to share data is obtained;

— requirements on storage of mDL data and mDL private keys.

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 3166-1, *Codes for the representation of names of countries and their subdivisions — Part 1: Country code*

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3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions 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
mobile device
portable computing device that at least:

— has a small form factor such that it can easily be carried by a single individual;

— is designed to operate, transmit and receive information without a wired connection;

— possesses local, nonremovable or removable data storage;

— includes a self-contained power source;

— includes a display;

— includes a means for the holder of the portable computing device to interact with the device

Note 1 to entry: Adapted from NIST SP 800-157.

3.2
mdoc
document or application that resides on a *mobile device* (3.1) or requires a mobile device as part of the process to gain access to the document or application

3.3
mdoc reader
device that can retrieve *mdoc* (3.2) data for verification purposes

3.4
mdoc holder
individual to whom an *mdoc* (3.2) is issued

3.5
mdoc verifier
person or organization using and/or controlling an *mdoc reader* (3.3) to verify an *mdoc* (3.2)

3.6
mDL
driving licence that fulfils at least the same function as an IDL but, instead of being paper or plastic based, is an *mdoc* (3.2)

Note 1 to entry: ISO-compliant driving licence (IDL) is defined in ISO/IEC 18013-1.

3.7
mDL reader
mdoc reader (3.3) that can retrieve *mDL* (3.6) data

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3.8
mDL holder
individual to whom an *mDL* (3.6) is issued, i.e. legitimate holder of the driving privileges reflected on an mDL

3.9
mDL verifier
person or organization using and/or controlling an *mDL reader* (3.7) to verify an *mDL* (3.6)

3.10
licensing authority
authorized agent organisation that issues a driving licence

EXAMPLE National, federal, state, provincial, regional, territorial, or local Ministry of Transport, Department of Motor Vehicles, or Police Agency.

[SOURCE: ISO/IEC 18013-1:2018, 3.15]

3.11
issuing country
country which issued the driving licence or within which the *licensing authority* (3.10) is located

[SOURCE: ISO/IEC 18013-1:2018, 3.12, modified — The words “according to Annex F” have been removed.]

3.12
issuing authority
licensing authority (3.10), or *issuing country* (3.11) if separate licensing authorities have not been authorized

[SOURCE: ISO/IEC 18013-1:2018, 3.11]

3.13
issuing authority infrastructure
infrastructure under control of the *issuing authority* (3.12)

3.14
issuing authority CA
certificate authority operated by or on behalf of an *issuing authority* (3.12)

3.15
device retrieval
method of data retrieval exclusively using the interface between the *mdoc* (3.2) and the *mdoc reader* (3.3)

3.18
PCD mode
mode in which an NFC-enabled *mobile device* (3.1) operates as a PCD

[SOURCE: ISO/IEC 14443-3:2018, 3.7, modified — The words “a PXD” have been replaced with “an NFC-enabled mobile device”.]

3.19
PICC mode
mode in which an NFC-enabled *mobile device* (3.1) operates as a PICC

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