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Foreword

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Foreword

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International Standard ISO/IEC 10373 was prepared by Joint Technical Committee ISO/IEC JTC 1, *Information technology*, Subcommittee SC 17, *Identification cards and related devices*.

1 Scope

This International Standard describes test methods for the characteristics of identification cards in accordance with ISO 7810, ISO 7811, ISO 7813, and ISO 7816.

NOTE Criteria for acceptability do not form part of this International Standard but will be found in the International Standards mentioned above.

NOTE 2 Test methods described in this International Standard are intended to be performed separately. A given card is not required to pass through all the tests sequentially.

2 Normative references

The following standards contain provisions which, through reference in this text, constitute provisions of this International Standard. At the time of publication, the editions indicated were valid. All standards are subject to revision, and parties to agreements based on this International Standard are encouraged to investigate the possibility of applying the most-recent editions of the standards listed below. Members of IEC and ISO maintain registers of currently valid International Standards.

ISO 5-1:1984, *Photography — Density measurements — Part 1: Terms, symbols and notations.*

ISO 5-2:1991, *Photography — Density measurements — Part 2: Geometric conditions for transmission density.*

ISO 5-3:1984, *Photography — Density measurements — Part 3: Spectral conditions.*

ISO 105-E04:1989, *Textiles — Tests for colour fastness — Part E04: Colour fastness to perspiration.*

ISO 1302:1992, *Technical drawings — Method of indicating surface texture.*

ISO 1817:1985, *Rubber, vulcanized — Determination of the effect of liquids.*

ISO 1880:1979, *Instruments for the measurement of surface roughness by the profile method — Contact (stylus) instruments of progressive profile transformation — Profile recording instruments.*

ISO 9227:1990, *Corrosion tests in artificial atmospheres — Salt spray.*

ISO 7810:1993, *Identification cards — Physical characteristics.*

ISO 7811-1:1993, *Identification cards — Recording technique — Part 1: Embossing.*

ISO 7811-2:1993, *Identification cards — Recording technique — Part 2: Magnetic stripe.*

ISO 7811-3:1993, *Identification cards — Recording technique — Part 3: Location of embossed characters on ID-1 cards.*

ISO 7811-4:1993, *Identification cards — Recording technique — Part 4: Location of read-only magnetic tracks — Track 1 and 2.*

ISO 7811-5:1993, *Identification cards — Recording technique — Part 5: Location of read-write magnetic track — Track 3.*

ISO 7813:1993, *Identification cards — Financial transaction cards.*

ISO 7816-1:1987, *Identification cards — Integrated circuit(s) cards with contacts — Part 1: Physical characteristics.*

ISO 7816-2:1988, *Identification cards — Integrated circuit(s) cards with contacts — Part 2: Dimensions and location of the contacts.*

IEC 512-2:1976, *Electromechanical components for electronic equipment; basic testing procedures and measuring methods — Part 2: General examination, electrical continuity and contact resistance tests, insulation tests and voltage stress tests.*

3 Definitions

For the purpose of this International Standard, the following definition applies.

3.1

test method

method for testing characteristics of identification cards for the purpose of confirming their compliance with International Standards

4 Default test environment and conditioning

Unless otherwise specified, testing shall take place in an environment of temperature $23\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C} \pm 3\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ ($73\text{ }^{\circ}\text{F} \pm 5\text{ }^{\circ}\text{F}$) and of relative humidity 40 % to 60 %. Identification cards shall be conditioned in this same environment for a period of 24 h before testing.

5 Test methods

5.1 Card warpage

The purpose of this test is to measure the extent of warpage in the test sample (see ISO 7810). Card warpage is any deformation of card flatness.

5.1.1 Overall card warpage of unembossed and embossed cards

5.1.1.1 Apparatus: A profile projector or measuring device with a minimum accuracy of 0,01 mm.

5.1.1.2 Procedure: Place the card to be tested on the level rigid plate of the measuring apparatus. The card edges shall rest on the plate (warpage of the card in convex form to the plate).

Read the extent of warpage on the scale magnifier at the greatest point of displacement, measured front the front surface of the card.

5.1.1.3 Result: The extent of warpage at the greatest point of displacement (see Figure 1).

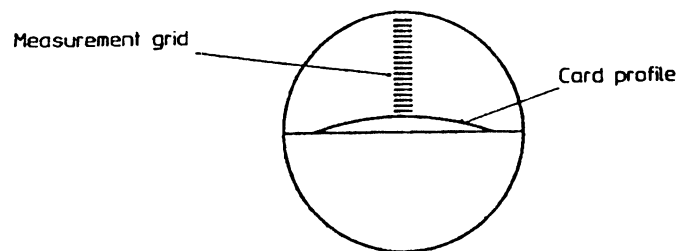


Figure 1 — Projector apparatus view of warpage measurement

5.1.2 Magnetic stripe area warpage for embossed and unembossed cards

5.1.2.1 Apparatus:

- A level rigid plate whose surface roughness is not greater than $3,2\text{ }\mu\text{m}$ in accordance with ISO 1302. The plate shall contain an aperture to allow access for a micrometer probe, see Figure 2;
- a micrometer accurate to within $2,5\text{ }\mu\text{m}$ with a probe whose contact area is a hemisphere with a diameter in the range of 3 mm to 8 mm. The force exerted by the probe shall be $f = 0,6\text{ N} \pm 0,3\text{ N}$;
- a means of applying a force $F = 2,2\text{ N}$ (0.5 lbf) evenly distributed on the front face of the card opposite the magnetic stripe area (see Figure 2).

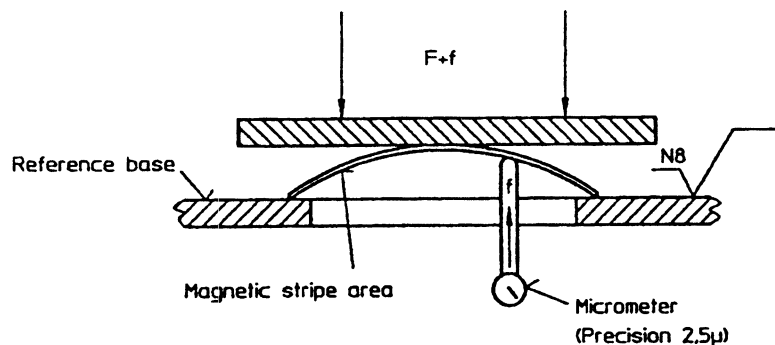


Figure 2 — Measuring arrangement

NOTE 3 The load of 2,2 N should be increased by an amount f to compensate for the micrometer force which is acting in the opposite direction to that force.