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1. Scope This Japanese Industrial Standard specifies the general specifications of prepaid cards (hereafter referred to as "card")

Remarks 1. The prepaid card is a card which has such functions to record in advance an equivalent value by magnetic means or the like, and then to calculate the balance automatically and further to update the records at every purchase or rent of commodities and /or receipt of services.

2. The following standard is cited in this Standard:
JIS X 0501 Bar code symbol for uniform commodity code

2. Definitions For the purpose of this Standard, the following definitions apply:

- (1) magnetic recording part A part set on the card for the purpose of magnetic recording.
- (2) front surface of card The reverse surface of the surface with magnetic recording part.
- (3) back surface of card The reverse surface of the front surface of card.
- (4) upper edge of card In the case where placing the card in a posture that the front surface is seen and the direction of insertion is leftward, the edge of the card situated at upside is referred to as the upper edge thereof when it is looked at front ways exactly. On the contrary, the edge of the card situated at bottom is called lower edge thereof.
- (5) left edge of card When the front surface of the card is looked at front ways exactly with its upper edge uppermost, the lefthand side edge of the card is referred to as the left edge thereof, while the righthand side one the right edge thereof.

3. Classification Cards shall be roughly classified into three categories that are cards for telephone, cards for transportation and cards for shopping.

4. Notch The notch on the shorter edge of the card for the identification of the direction of insertion, classes of usage and the like shall be as follows:

- (1) Shape and dimensions Shape and dimensions of the notch shall be in general as shown in Fig. 1.