

PROPOSAL for ISO Project 21047	
Date: 2000-07-31	Reference number (to be given by secretariat)
Proposer: ISO/TC 46 / SC 9 Sect.	ISO/TC 46 /SC 9 N 287
Secretariat	

Title of proposal (in the case of an amendment or revision, or a new part, of an existing standard, show the standard number)

SCC (Canada)

"Information and documentation -- International Standard Textual Work Code (ISTC)"

Scope (as defined in 6.2.1 of part 3 of the ISO/IEC Directives)

The International Standard Textual Work Code (ISTC) is conceived as a means of uniquely identifying textual works. The scope of the ISTC excludes manifestations of textual works, such as publications identified by systems as the International Standard Serial Number (ISSN) and the International Standard Book Number (ISBN).

Purpose and justification (attach a separate page as annex, if necessary)

The purpose of the International Standard Textual Work Code (ISTC) is to provide a standard means of unambiguously identifying each textual work, to which all manifestations of the work can be linked in order to provide a complete profile of a particular work and its related manifestations. The creation of such a code is necessary for electronic rights management and electronic commerce in the digital information environment.

Target date (indicate the date by which the availability of the International Standard is considered to be necessary): **December 20001 if possible.**

Relevant documents to be considered

Relevant documents include the standards for identifiers managed by ISO TC46/SC9 (e.g. ISO 2108 and ISO 3297) and other related identifier systems used in the digital information environment.

Relationship of project to activities of other international bodies

In addition to the existing ISO registration agencies for information identifiers, the ISTC will take into consideration the work the work being done in projects such as EDItEUR on the creation of metadata for textual works.

Liaison organizations	Need for coordination within ISO and IEC	
International Publishers Association; CISAC; International DOI Foundation; ISBN International; ISSN Network; IFLA	RA for ISO 2108; RA for ISO 3297	

Preparatory work	
A draft is attached	
An outline is attached and it will be possible to supply a draf	t by (date) 2000-12-31
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(see part 2 of the ISO/IEC Directives) yes no If YES, provide full information as annex		rectives)	Original signed by Jane Thacker	
	Date of circulation 2000-07-31	Closing date for reply 2000-10-31	Signature of the TC or SC secretary Original signed by Jane Thacker	

Comments and recommendations of the TC or SC secretariat

Comments with respect to the proposal in general, and recommendation thereon

(Indicate any issues to be brought to the notice of committee members. For instance, refer to any associated vote on form 5 regarding adoption of any attached draft for direct progression to CD or DIS.)

This proposal supplements the generic proposal for an International Standard Work Code (ISWC) which was distributed as document N 224 and adopted by ISO/TC46/SC9 in 1997 as Project 15707. Following that initial approval, it was agreed that Project 15707 should focus solely on an identifier for musical works and that the textual work identifier would be developed at a later date. Because an identifier for textual works involves a different set of interested parties than the ISWC for musical works, the Secretariat has prepared this separate project proposal in order to confirm the intended participation in Project 21047 for the International Standard Textual Work Code (ISTC).

Elements to be clarified when proposing a new work item (new standard)

Title

Indicate the subject matter of the proposed new standard.

Scope

Give a clear indication of the coverage of the proposed new work item and, if necessary for clarity, exclusions.

Purpose and justification

Give details based on a critical study of the following elements wherever practicable.

- a) The specific aims and reason for the standardization activity, with particular emphasis on the aspects of standardization to be covered, the problems it is expected to solve or the difficulties it is intended to overcome.
- b) The main interests that might benefit from or be affected by the activity, such as industry, consumers, trade, governments, distributors.
- c) Feasibility of the activity: Are there factors that could hinder the successful establishment or general application of the standard?
- d) Timeliness of the standard to be produced: Is the technology reasonably stabilized? If not, how much time is likely to be available before advances in technology may render the proposed standard outdated? Is the proposed standard required as a basis for the future development of the technology in question?
- e) Urgency of the activity, considering the needs of other fields or organizations. Indicate target date and, when a series of standards is proposed, suggest priorities.
- f) The benefits to be gained by the implementation of the proposed standard; alternatively, the loss or disadvantage(s) if no standard is established within a reasonable time. Data such as product volume or value of trade should be included and quantified.
- g) If the standardization activity is, or is likely to be, the subject of regulations or to require the harmonization of existing regulations, this should be indicated.

If a series of new work items is proposed, the purpose and the justification of which is common, a common proposal may be drafted including all elements to be clarified and enumerating the titles and scopes of each individual item.

Relevant documents

List any known relevant documents (such as standards and regulations), regardless of their source. When the proposer considers that an existing well-established document may be acceptable as a standard (with or without amendments) indicate this with appropriate justification and attach a copy to the proposal.

Cooperation and liaison

List relevant organizations or bodies with which cooperation and liaison should exist.

Preparatory work

Indicate whether the proposer or the proposer's organization is prepared to undertake the preparatory work required for the new work item.



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2000-10-31			
ISO/TC 46 /SC 9 Title: Information and documentation – Presentation, identification and description of documents Please send this form, duly completed at all points, to the Se Secretariat: SCC (Canada)	Circulated to P-members of the committee for vote and to 0-members for information, in accordance with 2.3.4 of part 1 of the ISO/IEC Directives. Creamamhers at the technical committee or subcommittee concerned have an obligation to vote.		
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First condition for acceptance [2.3.5 a) of part 1 of the ISO/IEC Directives]: a simple majority of the P-members voting are required to have given a positive reply to question 1 below.

Second condition for acceptance [2.3.5 b) of part 1 of the ISO/IEC Directives]: at least five P-members are required to have given a positive reply to question 4 or 5 below.

1	We agree to the addition of the proposed new work item to the programme of work of the committee:
	YES NO. The reasons for our disagreement are given in the annex to this ballot paper.
2 _	We agree to the scope proposed:
	YES NO. We suggest the scope be modified as shown in the annex to this ballot paper.
3	We agree to the target date as indicated:
	YES NO. We suggest that the target date be modified as follows:
4	We are prepared to participate in the development of the project (even if voting against), i.e. to make an effective contribution at the preparatory stage, at least by commenting on working drafts:
	YES II NO If YES, please give the name(s) and address(es) of nominated expert(s), as an annex
5	We would agree with direct submission of the draft accompanying the proposal as a
	CD YES NO. (If the response is NO in either case, please give reasons, as an annex)
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	DIS YES NO (Submission as a DIS requires approval by a two-thirds majority of those voting)
6	Standard(s), regulation(s), and other relevant documentation existing in our country, with any remarks concerning their application if necessary, are attached:
	YES NO. If "yes", please give references here, or as a separate annex:
P-	member voting:
Date:	Signature: