
Road vehicles — Diagnostic communication over K-Line (DoK-Line) —

**Part 1:
Physical layer**

Véhicules routiers — Communication de diagnostic sur la ligne K (DoK-Line) —

Partie 1: Couche physique

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Foreword

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This second edition cancels and replaces the first edition (ISO 14230-1:1999), which has been technically revised.

ISO 14230 consists of the following parts, under the general title *Road vehicles — Diagnostic communication over K-Line (DoK-Line)*:

- *Part 1: Physical layer*
- *Part 2: Data link layer*
- *Part 3: Application layer*
- *Part 4: Requirements for emission-related systems*

Introduction

ISO 14230 has been established in order to define common requirements for vehicle diagnostic systems implemented on K-Line (UART based) communication link, as specified in this part of ISO 14230.

To achieve this, it is based on the Open Systems Interconnection (OSI) Basic Reference Model in accordance with ISO/IEC 7498-1 and ISO/IEC 10731, which structures communication systems into seven layers. When mapped on this model, the services specified by ISO 14230 are broken down into the following.

- a) Diagnostic services (layer 7), specified in ISO 14229-6, ISO 14229-1;
- b) Presentation layer (layer 6):
 - vehicle manufacturer specific,
 - legislated OBD: specified in ISO 15031-2, ISO 15031-5, ISO 15031-6, SAE J1930-DA, SAE J1979-DA, SAE J2012-DA,
 - legislated WWH-OBD: specified in ISO 27145-2, SAE J1930-DA, SAE J1979-DA, SAE J2012-DA, SAE J1939 Appendix C (SPNs), SAE J1939-73 Appendix A (FMIs);
- c) Session layer services (layer 5):
 - legislated OBD: specified in ISO 14229-2,
 - legislated WWH-OBD: specified in ISO 14229-2;
- d) Transport layer services (layer 4), specified in ISO 14230-2;
- e) Network layer services (layer 3), specified in ISO 14230-2;
- f) Data link layer (layer 2), specified in ISO 14230-4, ISO 14230-2;
- g) Physical layer (layer 1), specified in ISO 15765-4, ISO 14230-1.

This breakdown is shown in Table 1.

Table 1 — Enhanced and legislated OBD diagnostic specifications applicable to the OSI layers

Applicability	OSI layer	Vehicle manufacturer enhanced diagnostics	Legislated OBD (On-Board Diagnostics)		Legislated WWH-OBD (On-Board Diagnostics)	
Seven layers according to ISO 7498-1 and ISO/IEC 10731	Application (layer 7)	ISO 14229-1, ISO 14229-6	ISO 15031-5		ISO 14229-1, ISO 27145-3	
	Presentation (layer 6)	vehicle manufacturer specific	ISO 15031-2, ISO 15031-5, ISO 15031-6, SAE J1930-DA, SAE J1979-DA, SAE J2012-DA		ISO 27145-2, SAE 1930-DA, SAE J1979-DA, SAE J2012-DA, SAE J1939:2011 Appendix C (SPNs), SAE J1939-73:2010 Appendix A (FMIs)	
	Session (layer 5)	ISO 14229-2				
	Transport (layer 4)	ISO 14230-2	ISO 15765-2	ISO 15765-4	ISO 15765-4, ISO 15765-2	
	Network (layer 3)		ISO 11898-1, ISO 11898-2		ISO 27145-4	
	Data link (layer 2)	ISO 14230-2				
Physical (layer 1)	ISO 14230-1	ISO 15765-4, ISO 11898-1, ISO 11898-2				

The application layer services covered by ISO 14229-6 have been defined in compliance with diagnostic services established in ISO 14229-1 and ISO 15031-5, but are not limited to use only with them. ISO 14229-6 is also compatible with most diagnostic services defined in national standards or vehicle manufacturers' specifications.

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Part 1: Physical layer

1 Scope

This part of ISO 14230 specifies the physical layer, based on ISO 9141, on which the diagnostic services will be implemented. It is based on the physical layer described in ISO 9141-2, but expanded to allow for road vehicles with either 12 V d.c. or 24 V d.c. voltage supply.

NOTE In this part of ISO 14230, values given in parentheses apply to 24 V d.c. systems.

2 Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application 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 7637-1, *Road vehicles — Electrical disturbances from conduction and coupling — Part 1: Definitions and general considerations*

ISO 7637-2, *Road vehicles — Electrical disturbances from conduction and coupling — Part 2: Electrical transient conduction along supply lines only*

ISO 14230-2, *Road vehicles — Diagnostic communication over K-Line (DoK-Line) — Part 2: Data link layer*

ISO 15031-2, *Road vehicles — Communication between vehicle and external equipment for emissions-related diagnostics — Part 2: Guidance on terms, definitions, abbreviations and acronyms*

3 Terms, definitions, symbols and abbreviated terms

3.1 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in ISO 15031-2 and the following apply.

3.1.1 rise time

<transmitters> time taken for the voltage to change from $20 V_B/100$ to $80 V_B/100$, where V_B is the vehicle battery voltage

3.1.2 fall time

<transmitters> time taken for the voltage to change from $80 V_B/100$ to $20 V_B/100$, where V_B is the vehicle battery voltage

3.2 Abbreviated terms

C_{TE} capacitance contribution of external test equipment and associated cables

C_{OBW} capacitance contribution of on-board wiring

- C_{ECU} capacitance contribution of electronic control unit
- ECU electronic control unit
- EMI electromagnetic interference
- NRZ non-return to zero
- V_B vehicle battery voltage

4 Conventions

This part of ISO 14230 is based on the conventions discussed in the OSI Service Conventions (ISO/IEC 10731:1994) as they apply for communication services.

5 Document overview

Figure 1 illustrates the most applicable application implementations utilizing the DoK-Line protocol.

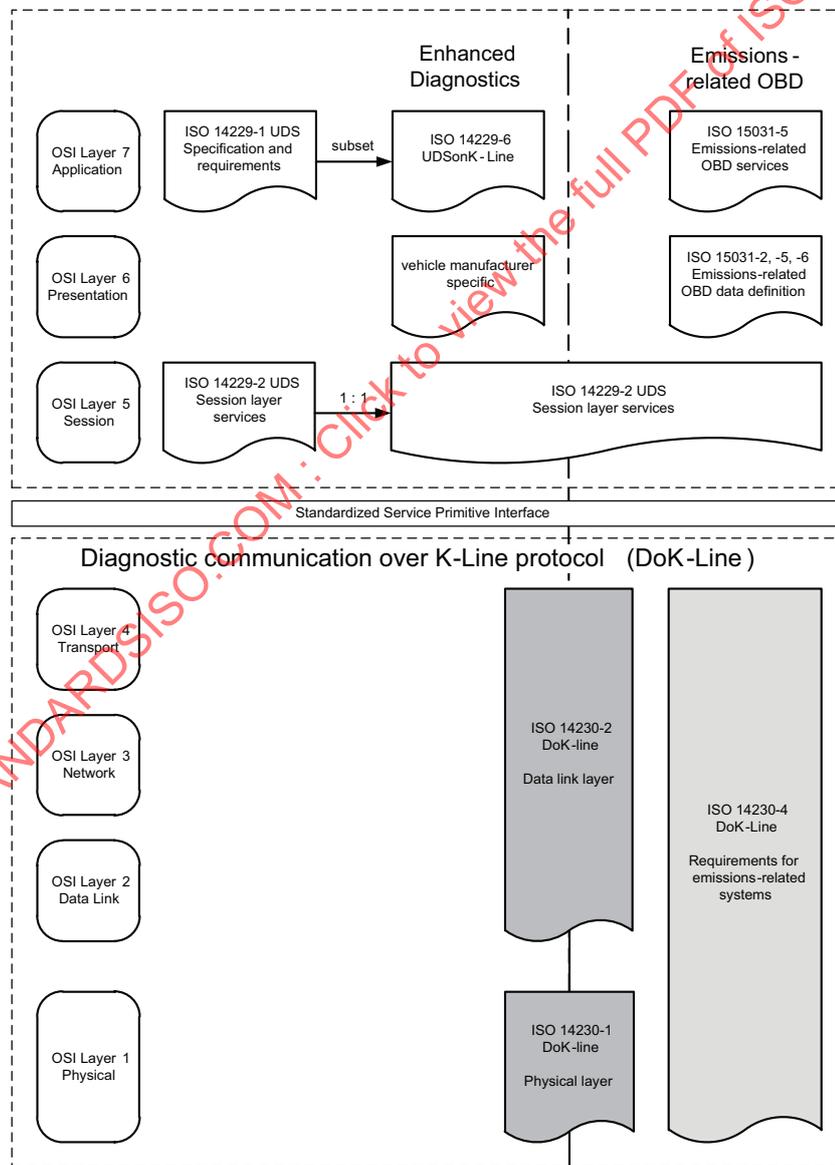


Figure 1 — Diagnostic communication over K-Line document reference according to OSI model

6 Vehicle to external test equipment connection

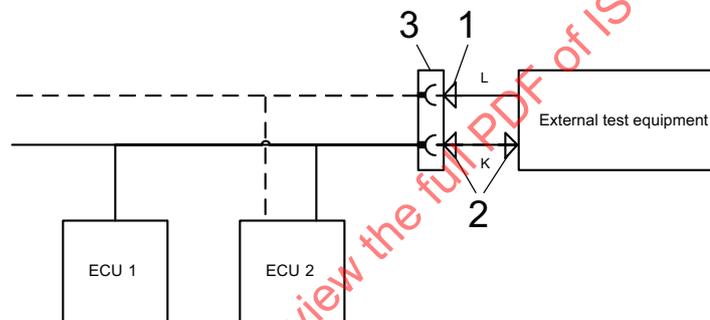
6.1 K- and L-line configurations

Vehicle ECUs which support the protocol described in ISO 14230 shall support either a one-wire (K line only) or a two-wire (K and L) communication connection for diagnosis, test or maintenance. Vehicle battery voltage, V_B , power ground and signal ground shall be provided by the ECU(s) or the vehicle to the tester.

Line K is a bidirectional line. It is used during initialization to convey address information or, in the case of fast initialization, the wake-up pattern from the external test equipment to vehicle ECUs, simultaneously with the L line. After conveying this information, the K line is used for all other diagnostic communications between tester and vehicle ECUs, in both directions. This includes the completion of the initialization sequence and all other communication services as described in ISO 14230-2.

Line L is a unidirectional line and is only used during initialization to convey address information or, in the case of fast initialization, the wake-up pattern from the external test equipment to vehicle ECUs, simultaneously with the K line. At all other times, it should idle in the logic "1" state.

Figure 2 shows the system configurations allowed, indicating the role of each of the lines K and L.



Key

- 1 unidirectional data flow from external test equipment to ECU 2
- 2 bidirectional data flow between external test equipment and ECUs 1 and 2
- 3 vehicle diagnostic connector

Figure 2 — Possible system configurations

6.2 Configuration requirements

If any ECU, either of one type or in combination, are linked on a bus, the system designer shall ensure that the configuration is capable of correct operation. For example, data from one ECU shall not initialize the serial communication of another ECU on the bus and an initialization signal shall not cause more than one ECU to respond simultaneously; it may, however, initialize a number of ECUs on the bus which then respond in an orderly sequential manner.

If lines K and L are used for purposes other than inspection, test and diagnosis, care shall be taken to avoid data collision and incorrect operation in all modes.

7 Signal and communication specifications

7.1 Signal

NOTE On those vehicles fitted with ISO 15031-3 connectors, all measurements should be referenced to the signal ground and battery supply pins of that connector. On other vehicles without ground and supply pins, the battery posts should be used as reference.

For proper operation of the serial communication, both ECU and external test equipment shall correctly determine each logic state as follows:

- a logic “0” is equivalent to a voltage level on the line of less than $20V_B/100$ for transmitter, and $30V_B/100$ for receiver;
- a logic “1” is equivalent to a voltage level on the line of greater than $80V_B/100$ for transmitter, and $70V_B/100$ for receiver.

In addition, the slope times shall be less than 10 % (15 %) of the bit time.

Voltage levels between $30V_B/100$ and $70V_B/100$ may be detected as either logic “0” or logic “1”.

NRZ coding shall be used. The bit time is defined as half the time between the $50V_B/100$ levels of successive rising or falling edges of alternating “1” and “0” bits.

Figure 3 illustrates the worst case on signal levels. For electrical specifications of the external test equipment, see 8.2; for ECUs, see 9.3.

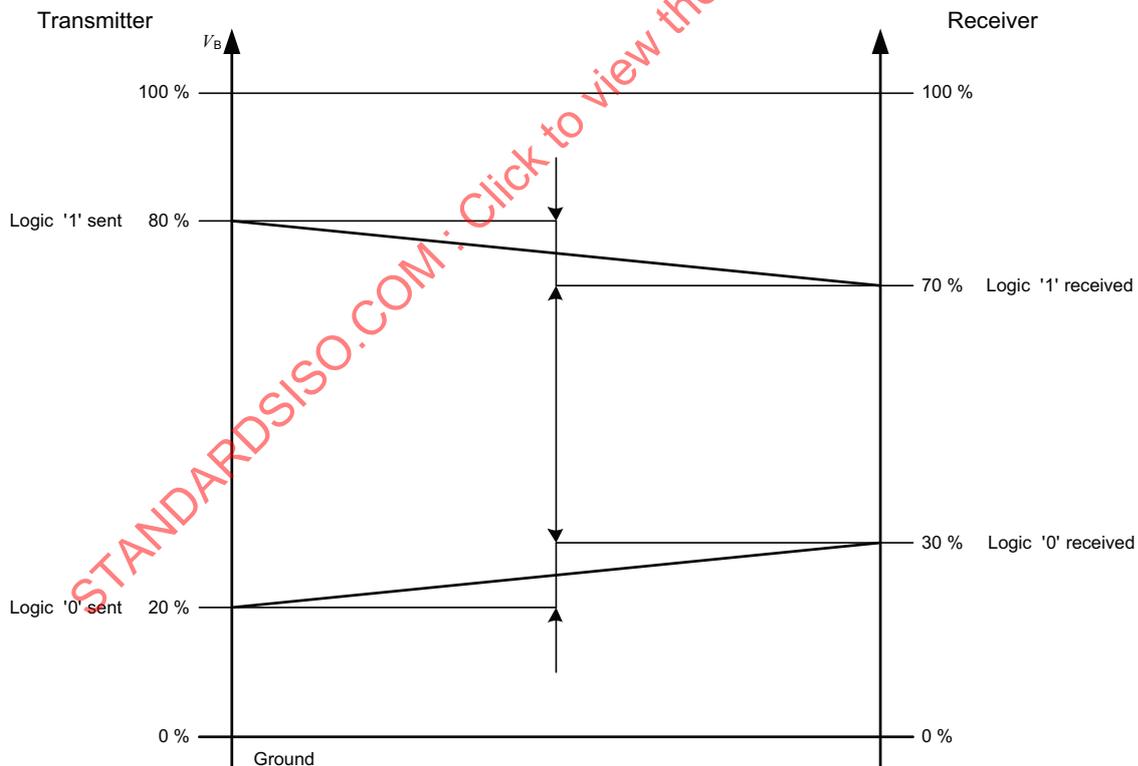


Figure 3 — Signal voltage levels, worst-case values

7.2 Communication specification

7.2.1 Communication schematics

The configuration is shown schematically in Figure 4.

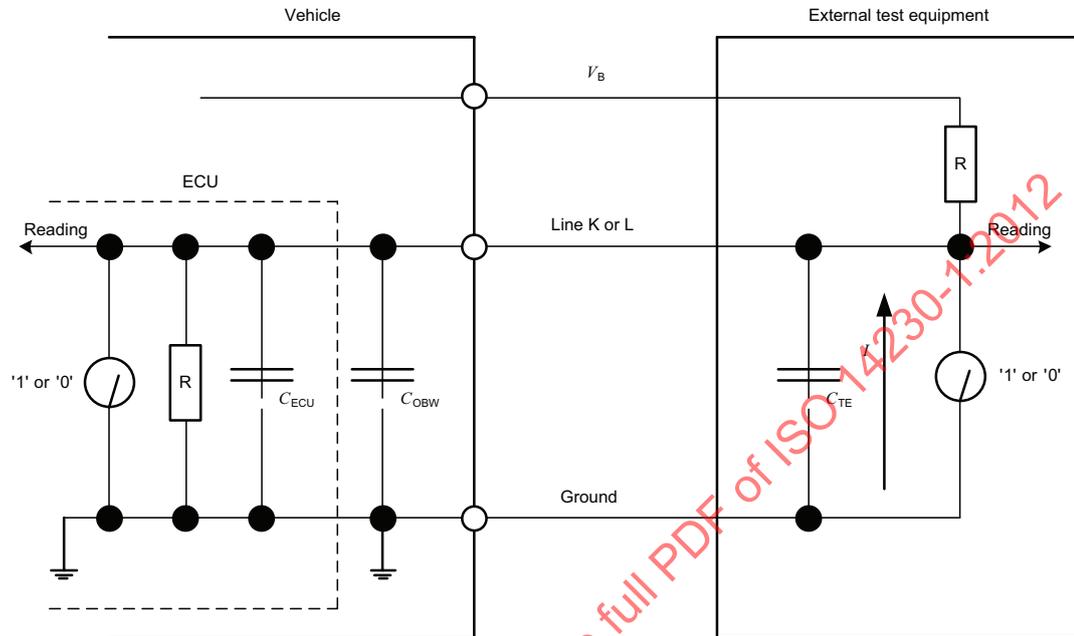


Figure 4 — Communication schematics

7.2.2 Capacitance contribution

The capacitance contribution of the external test equipment and associated cables are termed C_{TE} . The capacitance contribution of the on-board wiring is termed C_{OBW} . The sum of the input capacitance of all the ECUs on the bus is defined thus:

$$C_{ECU} = \sum_{i=1}^n C_{ECU_i}$$

where n is the number of ECUs on the bus.

Values for C_{ECU} , C_{OBW} and C_{TE} shall be selected such that:

- for vehicles with 12 V nominal supply, $C_{ECU} + C_{OBW} \leq 7,2 \text{ nF}$ and $C_{TE} \leq 2 \text{ nF}$
- for vehicles with 24 V nominal supply, $C_{ECU} + C_{OBW} \leq 5 \text{ nF}$ and $C_{TE} \leq 2 \text{ nF}$.

These values are derived from the circuit resistance and baud rate tolerances (see Clauses 8 and 9), allowed slope times and switching thresholds (see 7.1) and assuming a maximum communication speed of 10,4 kBd. If a higher or lower maximum communication speed is chosen, the designer will reduce or increase the allowed capacitance accordingly. The formula to be used is given in ISO 9141.

8 Requirements of external test equipment

8.1 Minimum functional requirements

The external test equipment shall be capable of supporting the initialization methods and the communication protocol as described in ISO 14230-2.

8.2 Electrical specifications

8.2.1 Working temperature requirements

The specifications in 8.2.2 to 8.2.6 shall apply over a working temperature range of 0 °C to 50 °C. They apply to nominal 12 V (24 V) systems for which the external test equipment shall operate correctly in the range 8 V to 16 V (16 V to 32 V) of the vehicle battery voltage, V_B .

Manufacturers of external test equipment are encouraged to extend these limits of correct operation for vehicle battery voltage, V_B , and working temperature.

8.2.2 External test equipment pull-up of lines K and L

For lines K and L of the external test equipment not connected to an ECU, each line shall be internally pulled up to V_B via a nominal 510 Ω (1 k Ω) resistor.

When the external test equipment is linked to an ECU, it shall meet the following requirements:

a) Transmission state

- 1) At logic "1" the external test equipment shall have an equivalent voltage source greater than $90V_B/100$, sourced from the vehicle battery supply, V_B , and an equivalent resistance of $510 \Omega \times (1 \pm 5 \%)$ [$1 \text{ k}\Omega \times (1 \pm 5 \%)$].
- 2) At logic "0" the external test equipment shall have an equivalent voltage of less than $10V_B/100$, at a maximum sink current of 100 mA.

b) Receiving state

- 1) The equivalent resistance on the line K of the external test equipment shall be $510 \Omega \times (1 \pm 5 \%)$ [$1 \text{ k}\Omega \times (1 \pm 5 \%)$].

8.2.3 Fast initialization and communication baud rates

The external test equipment shall maintain fast initialization and communication baud rates to $\pm 0,5 \%$ of nominal values where specified by the protocol. Where determined by measurement, the baud rate shall be maintained to $\pm 1 \%$. The 5 bd address shall be transmitted with a tolerance of $\pm 0,5 \%$.

8.2.4 Bit time requirements

For each byte the external test equipment shall be capable of determining the status of any bit, the transitions of which are shifted by not more than 30 % of the bit time relative to their calculated position in time.

8.2.5 Voltage requirements

The external test equipment shall not transfer to the open lines K and L any voltage higher than V_B or 40 V, whichever is the lower, or any voltage which is lower than -1 V . This includes suppression of voltage excursions of V_B as detailed in ISO 7637-1 for 12 V electrical systems and in ISO 7637-2 for 24 V systems.

8.2.6 Capacitance requirements

The total capacitance of the external test equipment and its cable and connector shall not exceed 2 nF.