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Foreword

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Information technology — File structure and labelling of magnetic tapes for information interchange

1 Scope

This International Standard specifies the file structure and the labelling of magnetic tapes for the interchange of information between users of information processing systems.

This International Standard also specifies

— volume and file structure;

— basic characteristics of the blocks containing the records constituting the file;

— recorded labels for identifying files, file sections and volumes of magnetic tapes;

— four nested levels of interchange.

Furthermore, this International Standard specifies requirements for the processes which are provided within information processing systems, to enable information to be interchanged between different systems, utilizing recorded magnetic tape as the medium of interchange. For this purpose it specifies the functions to be provided within systems which are intended to originate or receive magnetic tape volumes which conform to this International Standard.

2 Conformance

2.1 Conformance of a magnetic tape volume set

A magnetic tape volume set conforms to this International Standard when all information recorded on it conforms to the specifications of this International Standard. A Statement of conformance shall identify the lowest level of interchange to which the contents of the magnetic tapes conform.

A prerequisite to such conformance is conformance of each volume of the volume set to the same International Standard for information interchange on magnetic tapes.

2.2 Conformance of an information processing system

An information processing system conforms to this International Standard if it meets all the requirements specified in this International Standard either for an originating system, or for a receiving system, or for both types of system. A statement of conformance shall identify which of these sets of requirements can be met by the system.

3 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/IEC 646, *Information technology — ISO 7-bit coded character set for information interchange*

4 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply.

4.1
application program
program that processes the contents of records belonging to a file, and may also process selected attribute data relating to the file or to the volume(s) on which it is recorded

NOTE An application program is a specific class of user as defined in this International Standard.

4.2
block
group of bytes recorded on a magnetic tape as a unit

4.3
blocked
attribute of records that indicates that they may begin at a byte that is not the first byte of a block

4.4
byte
string of eight binary digits operated upon as a unit

4.5
file
named collection of information consisting of zero or more records

4.6
file section
part of a file that is recorded on any one volume

4.7
file set
collection of one or more files recorded consecutively on a set of volumes

4.8
fixed-length record
record contained in a file in which all records must have the same length

4.9
implementation
set of processes within an information processing system which enable that system to behave as an originating system, or as a receiving system, or as both types of system

4.10
Initialized volumes
magnetic tape already recorded in the first label group on the volume although no valid file sections are recorded (See Annex C)

4.11
installation
person or other entity which controls the use of one or more implementations which process and interchange magnetic tapes

NOTE An installation is a specific class of user as defined in this International Standard.

4.12
label
record that identifies and characterizes a volume, or a file section on a volume

4.13
originating system
information processing system which can record a file set on a volume set for the purpose of data interchange with another system

4.14
originator
person who is responsible for issuing commands to an originating system

4.15
receiving system
information processing system which can read a file set from a volume set which has been recorded by another system for the purpose of data interchange

4.16
recipient
person who is responsible for issuing commands to a receiving system

4.17
record
related data treated as a unit of information

4.18
segmented record (only a-characters)
record contained in a file which is assigned to contain records that may have different lengths and that may be recorded entirely in one block or over more than one block

4.19
International Standard for information interchange (only a-characters)
standard that specifies the recording method and the track format of a magnetic tape (for example ISO 1863)

4.20
Tape Mark
control block used as a delimiter

4.21
user
person or other entity that causes the invocation of the services provided by an implementation

4.22
variable-length record
record contained in a file in which the records may have different lengths

4.23
volume
dismountable reel of magnetic tape

4.24
volume set
collection of one or more volumes, on which a file set is recorded

5 Notation

The following notation is used in this International Standard:

BP:	Byte position within the label
L:	Length of the field in number of byte positions
a-character(s):	Any of the allowed characters (see 8.1.1)
e-character(s):	Any of the allowed characters (see 8.2.1)
Digit(s):	Any digit from ZERO to NINE.

With the exception of SPACE, a group of capital letters in the content column of a table specifying label contents indicates that these characters shall appear in the order given and in the corresponding byte positions of the field specified, for example VOL in BP 1 to 3 of the Volume Header Labels. In the tables and thoughout this International Standard, SPACE signifies the character coded in position 2/0 of ISO 646 or 4/0 of e-character(s).

6 Arrangement of labels and files

6.1 Arrangement of data on a volume

A volume shall be recorded with a sequence of blocks and Tape Marks. The sequence shall commence with a block, and shall terminate within the usable recording area.

6.2 Arrangement of label groups

6.2.1 Labels

A label shall be a record that shall have a length of 80 bytes. Each label shall be recorded within the first or only 80 byte positions of a block. If the block contains any additional bytes, they shall be recorded with any desired bit combinations.

Each label shall be of one of the following types:

Volume Header

Installation Volume (only a-characters)

File Header

User File Header

End of File

End of Volume

User File Trailer

6.2.2 Label sets

A sequence of one or more labels of the same type, recorded in consecutive blocks, shall be a label set of that type. All labels in a set shall be numbered consecutively starting from 1, except those labels in the User File Header and User File Trailer Label Sets.

6.2.3 Label groups

A label group shall consist of a mandatory label set, optionally followed by a second label set of a different type. Each label group shall be of one of the types listed in Table 1, and shall include only those label sets listed in the corresponding entry of the table. The first set listed in each table entry is the mandatory set, and the second set listed is the optional set.

Table 1 — Label groups

Label group	Label sets
Beginning of Volume	Volume Header Installation Volume (only a-characters)
Beginning of File Section	File Header User File Header
End of File Section	End of Volume User File Trailer
End of File	End of File User File Trailer

6.3 Arrangement of file sections

6.3.1 File section

A file section shall be recorded in a sequence of one or more blocks, or no blocks. If no blocks are recorded, the file section is regarded as empty.

6.3.2 Labelled-Sequence

6.3.2.1

A Labelled-Sequence shall consist of the sequence of blocks and Tape Marks as listed below, recorded consecutively:

a) Beginning of File Section Label Group;

b) Tape Mark;

c) a file section;

d) Tape Mark;

e) either an End of File Label Group or an End of File Section Label Group, as required in 6.3.2.2;

f) Tape Mark.

6.3.2.2

If the file section is the last or only file section of a file, then the label group that follows it shall be an End of File Label Group. Otherwise the label group shall be an End of File Section Label Group.

NOTE An End of File Section Label Group can only be the last label group on a volume because of the requirements of 6.5.1.

6.3.2.3

Within a Labelled-Sequence the information contained in the File Header Label Set, and in the End of File or End of Volume Label Set, shall apply to the file section that is recorded within the sequence.

6.3.2.4

Within a Labelled-Sequence the number of labels in an End of Volume or End of File Label Set shall be equal to the number of labels in the File Header Label Set. Within all Labelled-Sequences in which the file sections of a file are recorded, the number of File Header Labels shall be the same.

6.4 Relationship of file sections to a volume

The information on a volume shall consist of the sequence of blocks and Tape Marks as listed below, recorded consecutively:

- Beginning of Volume Label Group;
- one or more Labelled-Sequences;
- Tape Mark.

Any recording following the last Tape Mark of the sequence shall be ignored in interchange.

The information that identifies and describes the volume shall be contained in the Volume Header Label Set, within the Beginning of Volume Label Group.

6.5 Arrangement of files and file sets

6.5.1 Files

If a file is recorded entirely within one volume it shall consist of only one file section.

If a file is recorded over more than one volume, then only one file section of the file shall be recorded on any one volume, and

- the first file section shall be recorded as the last or only file section on a volume;
- any intermediate file section shall be recorded as the only file section on a volume;
- the last file section shall be recorded as the first or only file section on a volume.

All sections of a file shall be numbered consecutively starting from 1.

6.5.2 File sets

A file set shall consist of one or more files having a common file set identifier. All files in a file set shall be numbered consecutively starting from 1.

The files in a file set shall be recorded consecutively over a set of one or more volumes.

6.6 Structure of a volume set

A volume set shall be the set of volumes on which a file set is recorded. The volume set shall contain only one file set.

7 File structure for data interchange

This clause specifies the file structure for data interchange in terms of data blocks and data records, and identifies the label fields defined for that purpose.

7.1 File structure for data interchange for a-characters

7.1.1 Blocks

7.1.1.1 Characteristics

A block in which part of a file section is recorded shall contain one or more Measured Data Units (MDU). Each MDU shall either be a fixed-length record, or shall contain a variable-length record or a record segment.

A block in which part of a file section is recorded may contain

— an Offset field preceding the first or only MDU;

— a Padding field following the last or only MDU.

The first or only MDU in a block shall begin at the first byte of the block after the Offset field (if any). Each subsequent MDU shall begin at the byte immediately following the last byte of the preceding MDU in that block. Each MDU shall end in the block in which it begins.

7.1.1.2 Block length

The length of a block shall be the number of bytes in the block. Within a file, all blocks may have different lengths. The length of a block shall be the sum of

— the lengths of the MDUs in the block;

— the length of the Offset field;

— the length of the Padding field.

A maximum block length shall be assigned for a file. The block length shall not exceed the maximum value specified by the relevant International Standard for information interchange.

7.1.1.3 Offset field

This field shall consist of not more than 99 bytes. It shall be reserved for implementation use. Its contents are not specified by this International Standard and may be ignored in interchange.

7.1.1.4 Padding field

This field shall consist of a number of bytes sufficient to extend the length of a block either

a) to the minimum length required by the relevant International Standard for information interchange, or

b) to a greater length as required by the implementation.

Each byte of this field shall contain bit combination b_8 to b_1 = 0101 1110. This field shall be ignored in interchange.

7.1.2 Records

7.1.2.1 Characteristics

A record shall have the following characteristics:

a) A record may be either a fixed-length record, or a variable-length record, or a segmented record.

b) A fixed-length record or a variable-length record shall be recorded entirely within one block; a segmented record may be recorded in a part of one or more blocks.

c) The length of a record shall be the number of bytes in the record.

7.1.2.2 Fixed-length records

A fixed-length record shall be a record contained in a file that is assigned to contain only records of the same length. The minimum assigned length of a fixed-length record shall be one byte and the maximum assigned length shall not exceed the assigned block length less the length of the offset field. At least one byte of a fixed-length record shall not contain bit combination b_8 to b_1 = 0101 1110.

7.1.2.3 Variable-length records

A variable-length record shall be a record contained in a file that is assigned to contain records that may have different lengths.

A variable-length record shall be contained in an MDU. The MDU shall consist of a Record Control Word (RCW), followed immediately by the variable-length record. The RCW shall consist of four characters which shall be coded in accordance with ISO 646 and shall express the sum of the lengths of the record and of the RCW as a four-digit decimal number.

A maximum record length shall be assigned for a file. The length of any record in the file shall not exceed this value. The assigned maximum record length shall not be zero and shall not exceed the assigned block length less the length of the Offset field and less the length of the RCW.

The minimum length of a variable-length record shall be zero.

7.1.2.4 Segmented records

A segmented record shall be a record contained in a file that is assigned to contain records that may have different lengths and that may be recorded entirely in one block or over more than one block.

That part of a segmented record that is recorded in one block is a record segment. There shall be only one segment of the same record in a block.

Successive segments of the same record within the same file sections shall be recorded in successive blocks.

Different segments of the same record shall only be recorded in different file sections if one of the segments is recorded in the last block of a file section, and the next segment of the record is recorded in the first block of the next non-empty file section of that file.

A maximum record length shall be assigned for a file. The length of any record in the file shall not exceed this assigned value. The assigned maximum record length shall not be zero.

NOTE The assigned maximum record length is unbounded in that this International Standard specifies no limit to the number of record segments in a record.

A record segment shall be contained in an MDU. The MDU shall consist of a Segment Control Word (SCW), followed immediately by the record segment. The SCW shall consist of five characters which shall be coded in accordance with ISO 646.

The first character of the SCW is called the Segment Indicator, This character shall have one of the values 0, 1, 2 or 3 with the following meaning:

0 shall mean that the record begins and ends in this record segment;

1 shall mean that the record begins but does not end in this record segment;

2 shall mean that the record neither begins nor ends in this record segment;

3 shall mean that the record ends but does not begin in this record segment.

The last four characters of the SCW shall express as a decimal number the sum of the lengths of the record segment and of the SCW.

The length of a record segment shall not exceed the assigned block length less the length of the Offset field and less the length of the SCW.

The minimum length of a record segment shall be zero.

7.1.2.5 Coded representation of data

This International Standard does not specify the coded representation of the contents of a record.

7.1.3 Files

7.1.3.1 Characteristics

A file shall contain either only fixed-length records or only variable-length records or only segmented records.

7.1.3.2 Consistency of file attributes between file sections

The following label fields in the File Header Label Set for each file section of the same file shall contain the same characters:

— File Identifier (HDR1 BP 5 to 21)

— File Set Identifier (HDR1 BP 22 to 27)

— File Sequence Number (HDR1 BP 32 to 35)

— Generation Number (HDR1 BP 36 to 39)

— Generation Version Number (HDR1 BP 40 and 41)

— File Accessibility (HDR1 BP 54)

— Record Format (HDR2 BP 5)

— Block Length (HDR2 BP 6 to 10)

— Record Length (HDR2 BP 11 to 15)

— Offset Length (HDR2 BP 51 to 52)

7.1.3.3 File organization

The file organization shall be sequential.

7.2 File structure for data interchange for e-characters

7.2.1 Blocks

7.2.1.1 Characteristics

A block in which part of a file section is recorded shall contain one or more Measured Data Units (MDU).

Each MDU shall either be a fixed-length record or a variable-length record.

If an MDU is a variable-length record, the blocks in a file section shall begin at a Block Descriptor Word (BDW). Each BDW shall consist of two-byte binary digits indicating the block length, as well as two-byte reserved data. Each byte of the reserved data shall contain bit combination b_8 to b_1 = 0000 0000.

The first or only MDU in a block shall begin at the first byte of the block. If there is a BDW, however, the MDU shall begin at the byte immediately following the BDW. Each subsequent MDU shall begin at the byte immediately following the last byte of the preceding MDU in that block. Each MDU shall end in the block in which it begins.

7.2.1.2 Block length

The length of a block shall be the number of bytes in the block. Within a file, all blocks may have different lengths. The length of a block shall be the sum of

— the lengths of the MDUs in the block;

— the length of the BDW for a variable-length record.

A maximum block length shall be assigned for a file. The maximum block length shall not exceed the maximum value specified by the implementation.

If an MDU is a fixed-length record, the maximum block length shall be an integral multiple of the record length.

7.2.2 Records

7.2.2.1 Characteristics

A record shall have the following characteristics:

a) A record may be either a fixed-length record, or a variable-length record.

b) A record shall be recorded entirely within one block.

c) The length of a record shall be the number of bytes in the record.

7.2.2.2 Fixed-length records

The minimum length of a fixed-length record shall be one byte and the maximum length shall be the maximum block length.

7.2.2.3 Variable-length records

A variable-length record shall begin at a Record Descriptor Word (RDW). Each RDW shall consist of two-byte binary digits indicating the sum of the lengths of the record contents and the RDW, as well as two-byte reserved data. Each byte of the reserved data shall contain bit combination b8 to b1 = 0000 0000.

A maximum record length shall be assigned for a file. The length of any record in the file shall not exceed this value. The assigned maximum record length shall not exceed the assigned maximum block length less the length of the BDW.

7.2.2.4 Coded representation of data

This International Standard does not specify the coded representation of the contents of a record.

7.2.3 Files

7.2.3.1 Characteristics

A file shall contain either only fixed-length records or only variable-length records.

7.2.3.2 Consistency of file attributes between file sections

The following label fields in the File Header Label Set for each file section of the same file shall contain the same characters:

— File Identifier (HDR1 BP 5 to 21)

— File Set Identifier (HDR1 BP 22 to 27)

— File Sequence Number (HDR1 BP 32 to 35)

— Record Format (HDR2 BP 5)

— Block Length (HDR2 BP 6 to 10)

— Record Length (HDR2 BP 11 to 15)

7.2.3.3 File organization

The file organization shall be sequential.

8 Format and contents of the labels and label sets

8.1 Format and contents of the labels and label sets for a-characters

8.1.1 Character set and coding

Unless otherwise stated, the characters in the labels shall be coded in accordance with ISO 646.

The 57 characters used in the labels shall be those in the following positions of the International Reference Version (IRV)

2/0 to 2/2

2/5 to 2/15

3/0 to 3/15

4/1 to 4/15

5/0 to 5/10

5/15

These 57 characters are referred to as “a-characters” (see annex A).

8.1.2 Justification of characters

In the label fields, characters shall be justified as follows:

— in each field, the contents of which are specified by this International Standard to be digits, the digits shall be right-justified and any remaining positions on the left shall be filled with ZEROs;

— in each field, the contents of which are specified by this International Standard to be a-characters, the a-characters shall be left-justified and any remaining positions on the right shall be filled with SPACEs.

8.1.3 Volume Header Label Set (VOL1 to VOL9)

A Volume Header Label Set shall be a label set comprising at least one Volume Header Label and at most nine such labels.

8.1.3.1 First Volume Header Label (VOL1)

The First Volume Header Label shall identify the volume, the owner, the accessibility conditions, the implementation recording the Volume Header Label Set, and the version of this International Standard which applies. (see Table 2)

Table 2 — First Volume Header Label (VOL1)

BP	Field name	L	Content
1 to 3	Label Identifier	3	VOL
4	Label Number	1	1
5 to 10	Volume Identifier	6	a-characters
11	Volume Accessibility	1	a-character
12 to 24	(Reserved for future standardization)	13	SPACEs
25 to 37	Implementation Identifier	13	a-characters
38 to 51	Owner Identifier	14	a-characters
52 to 79	(Reserved for future standardization)	28	SPACEs
80	Label Standard Version	1	4

8.1.3.1.1 Fields reserved for future standardization (BP 12 to 24 and BP 52 to 79)

These fields shall be reserved for future standardization.

The characters in these fields shall be SPACEs.

8.1.3.1.2 Label Identifier (BP 1 to 3)

This field shall specify the Label Identifier.

The characters in this field shall be VOL.

8.1.3.1.3 Label Number (BP 4)

This field shall specify the Label Number.

The Character in this field shall be the digit ONE.

8.1.3.1.4 Volume Identifier (BP 5 to 10)

This field shall specify an identification of the volume.

The characters in this field shall be a-characters.

8.1.3.1.5 Volume Accessibility (BP 11)

This field shall specify whether there are installation-specified restrictions under which the volume may be accessed.

The character in this field shall be an a-character.

SPACE shall mean that no such restrictions for access to the volume have been agreed upon between the originator and the recipient of the volume.

Any other a-character shall mean that there are particular restrictions for access to the volume, that are subject to agreement between the originator and the recipient of the volume.

8.1.3.1.6 Implementation Identifier (BP 25 to 37)

This field shall specify an identification of the implementation which recorded the Volume Header Label Set.

The characters in this field shall be a-characters.

8.1.3.1.7 Owner Identifier (BP 38 to 51)

This field shall specify an identification of the owner of the volume.

The characters in this field shall be a-characters.

8.1.3.1.8 Label Standard Version (BP 80)

This field shall specify the version of this International Standard to which the volume is expected to conform.

The character in this field shall be a digit.

The digit 4 shall indicate the present version of this International Standard.

8.1.3.2 Other Volume Header Labels (VOL2 to VOL9)

Other Volume Header Labels shall be optional. If present, they shall contain implementation-defined information and shall have the layout shown in Table 3.

Table 3 — Other Volume Header Labels (VOL2 to VOL9)

BP	Field name	L	Content
1 to 3	Label Identifier	3	VOL
4	Label Number	1	Digits 2 to 9
5 to 80	(Reserved for implementation use)	76	Not specified

8.1.3.2.1 Label Identifier (BP 1 to 3)

This field shall specify the Label Identifier.

The characters in this field shall be VOL.

8.1.3.2.2 Label Number (BP 4)

This field shall specify the Label Number.

The character in this field shall be one of the digits TWO to NINE.

8.1.3.2.3 Field reserved for implementation use (BP 5 to 80)

This field shall be reserved for implementation use.

This International Standard neither specifies nor restricts the bit combinations which may be recorded in this field, nor does it specify any meaning for these bit combinations.

8.1.4 Installation Volume Label Set (UVL1 to UVL9)

An Installation Volume Label Set is optional. If present, it shall comprise at least one Installation Volume Label and at most nine such labels. They shall have the layout shown in Table 4.

Table 4 — Installation Volume Label Set (UVL1 to UVL9)

BP	Field name	L	Content
1 to 3	Label Identifier	3	UVL
4	Label Number	1	Digits 1 to 9
5 to 80	(Reserved for installation use)	76	Not specified

8.1.4.1 Label Identifier (BP 1 to 3)

This field shall specify the Label Identifier.

The characters in this field shall be UVL.

8.1.4.2 Label Number (BP 4)

This field shall specify the Label Number.

The Character in this field shall be one of the digits ONE to NINE.

8.1.4.3 Field reserved for installation use (BP 5 to 80)

This field shall be reserved for installation use.

This International Standard neither specifies nor restricts the bit combinations which may be recorded in this field, nor does it specify any meaning for these bit combinations.

8.1.5 File Header Label Set (HDR1 to HDR9)

A File Header Label Set shall be a label set comprising at least two File Header Labels and at most nine such labels.

8.1.5.1 First File Header Label (HDR1)

The First File Header Label shall identify the file section, specify the position of the file section within a file set, and specify certain attributes of the file section. (see Table 5)

Table 5 — First File Header Label (HDR1)

BP	Field name	L	Content
1 to 3	Label Identifier	3	HDR
4	Label Number	1	1
5 to 21	File Identifier	17	a-characters
22 to 27	File Set Identifier	6	a-characters
28 to 31	File Section Number	4	Digits
32 to 35	File Sequence Number	4	Digits
36 to 39	Generation Number	4	Digits
40 and 41	Generation Version Number	2	Digits
42 to 47	Creation Date	6	SPACE, digits
48 to 53	Expiration Date	6	SPACE, digits
54	File Accessibility	1	a-character
55 to 60	Block Count	6	ZEROs
61 to 73	Implementation Identifier	13	a-characters
74 to 80	(Reserved for future standardization)	7	SPACEs

8.1.5.1.1 Field reserved for future standardization (BP 74 to 80)

This field shall be reserved for future standardization.

The characters in this field shall be SPACEs.

8.1.5.1.2 Label Identifier (BP 1 to 3)

This field shall specify the Label Identifier.

The characters in this field shall be HDR.

8.1.5.1.3 Label Number (BP 4)

This field shall specify the Label Number.

The Character in this field shall be the digit ONE.

8.1.5.1.4 File Identifier (BP 5 to 21)

This field shall specify an identification of the file.

The characters in this field shall be a-characters.

NOTE Different files in a file set are permitted to have the same file identifier.

8.1.5.1.5 File Set Identifier (BP 22 to 27)

This field shall specify an identification of the file set.

The characters in this field shall be a-characters.

8.1.5.1.6 File Section Number (BP 28 to 31)

This field shall specify the ordinal number of the file section as a four-digit decimal number.

The characters in this field shall be digits.

8.1.5.1.7 File Sequence Number (BP 32 to 35)

This field shall specify the ordinal number of the file in a file set as a four-digit decimal number.

The characters in this field shall be digits.

8.1.5.1.8 Generation Number (BP 36 to 39)

This field shall specify an identification of the generation of the file as a four-digit decimal number from 0001 to 9999.

The characters in this field shall be digits.

NOTE The Generation Number field of a file within a file set is permitted to be the same as that of other files with the same File Identifier field in the file set.

8.1.5.1.9 Generation Version Number (BP 40 and 41)

This field shall specify an identification of the version of the generation of a file as a two-digit decimal number.

The characters in this field shall be digits.

NOTE The Generation Version Number field of a file within a file set is permitted to be the same as that of other files with the same File Identifier and Generation Number fields in the file set.

8.1.5.1.10 Creation Date (BP 42 to 47)

This field shall specify the creation date of a file section.

The characters in this field shall be SPACE and digits.

The first character shall specify that the two most significant digits of the year are 19 if it is SPACE and are 20 if it is digit ZERO.

The next two characters shall be digits specifying the two least significant digits of the year from 00 to 99.

The next three characters shall be digits specifying the ordinal number of the day as a three-digit decimal number from 001 to 366.

If the last five digits are ZEROs, this shall indicate that the creation date is not specified.

8.1.5.1.11 Expiration Date (BP 48 to 53)

This field shall specify the earliest date at which the data of the file section may be regarded as obsolete.

The characters in this field shall be SPACE and digits.

The first character shall specify that the two most significant digits of the year are 19 if it is SPACE and are 20 if it is digit ZERO.

The next two characters shall be digits specifying the two least significant digits of the year from 00 to 99.

The next three characters shall be digits specifying the ordinal number of the day as a three-digit decimal number from 001 to 366.

If the last five characters are ZEROs, this shall indicate that the expiration date is not specified and that the data may be regarded as obsolete.

8.1.5.1.12 File Accessibility (BP 54)

This field shall specify whether there are installation-specified restrictions under which the file may be accessed.

The character in this field shall be an a-character.

SPACE shall mean that no such restrictions for access to the file have been agreed upon between the originator and the recipient of the volume.

Any other a-character shall mean that there are particular restrictions for access to the file that are subject to agreement between the originator and the recipient of the volume.

8.1.5.1.13 Block Count (BP 55 to 60)

This field shall specify a constant value.

The characters in this field shall be ZEROs.

8.1.5.1.14 Implementation Identifier (BP 61 to 73)

This field shall specify an identification of the implementation which recorded the label set.

The characters in this field shall be a-characters.

8.1.5.2 Second File Header Label (HDR2)

The Second File Header Label shall specify certain attributes of the file and implementation-defined information. (see Table 6)

Table 6 — Second File Header Label (HDR2)

BP	Field name	L	Content
1 to 3	Label Identifier	3	HDR
4	Label Number	1	2
5	Record Format	1	F, D or S
6 to 10	Block Length	5	Digits
11 to 15	Record Length	5	Digits
16 to 50	(Reserved for implementation use)	35	Not specified
51 and 52	Offset Length	2	Digits
53 to 80	(Reserved for future standardization)	28	SPACEs

8.1.5.2.1 Field reserved for future standardization (BP 53 to 80)

This field shall be reserved for future standardization.

The characters in this field shall be SPACEs.

8.1.5.2.2 Label Identifier (BP 1 to 3)

This field shall specify the Label Identifier.

The characters in this field shall be HDR.

8.1.5.2.3 Label Number (BP 4)

This field shall specify the Label Number.

The character in this field shall be the digit TWO.

8.1.5.2.4 Record Format (BP 5)

This field shall specify the format of the records of the file.

The character in this field shall be F, D or S.

F shall mean that all records are fixed-length records.

D shall mean that all records are variable-length records.

S shall mean that all records are segmented records.

8.1.5.2.5 Block Length (BP 6 to 10)

This field shall specify the maximum permitted length of a data block of the file as a five-digit decimal number.

The characters in this field shall be digits.

8.1.5.2.6 Record Length (BP 11 to 15)

This field shall specify a five-digit decimal number as follows.

The characters in this field shall be digits.

If the Record Format field (HDR2 BP 5) contains F, the Record Length field shall specify the length of each data record.

If the Record Format field (HDR2 BP 5) contains D, the Record Length field shall specify the maximum length of an MDU in the file.

If the Record Format field (HDR2 BP 5) contains S, the Record Length field shall specify the maximum length of a record in the file. This number shall not include the bytes in the Segment Control Words. If all characters are ZEROs, this shall mean that the maximum record length may be greater than 99 999 bytes.

8.1.5.2.7 Field reserved for implementation use (BP 16 to 50)

This field shall be reserved for implementation use.

This International Standard neither specifies nor restricts the bit combinations which may be recorded in this field, nor does it specify any meaning for these bit combinations.

8.1.5.2.8 Offset Length (BP 51 and 52)

This field shall specify the length of the Offset field as a two-digit decimal number.

The characters in this field shall be digits.

8.1.5.3 Other File Header Labels (HDR3 to HDR9)

Other File Header Labels shall be optional. If present, they shall contain implementation-defined information and shall have the layout shown in Table 7.

Table 7 — Other File Header Labels (HDR3 to HDR9)

BP	Field name	L	Content
1 to 3	Label Identifier	3	HDR
4	Label Number	1	Digits 3 to 9
5 to 80	(Reserved for implementation use)	76	Not specified

8.1.5.3.1 Label Identifier (BP 1 to 3)

This field shall specify the Label Identifier.

The characters in this field shall be HDR.

8.1.5.3.2 Label Number (BP 4)

This field shall specify the Label Number.

The character in this field shall be one of the digits THREE to NINE.

8.1.5.3.3 Field reserved for implementation use (BP 5 to 80)

This field shall be reserved for implementation use.

This International Standard neither specifies nor restricts the bit combinations which may be recorded in this field, nor does it specify any meaning for these bit combinations.

8.1.6 User File Header Label Set (UHL)

A User File Header Label Set shall be optional. If present, its labels shall have the layout shown in Table 8.

Table 8 — User File Header Label Set (UHL)

BP	Field name	L	Content
1 to 3	Label Identifier	3	UHL
4	Label Number	1	a-character
5 to 80	(Reserved for application use)	76	Not specified

8.1.6.1 Label Identifier (BP 1 to 3)

This field shall specify the Label Identifier.

The characters in this field shall be UHL.

8.1.6.2 Label Number (BP 4)

This field shall be reserved for application use.

The character in this field shall be an a-character.

8.1.6.3 Field reserved for application use (BP 5 to 80)

This field shall be reserved for application use.

This International Standard neither specifies nor restricts the bit combinations which may be recorded in this field, nor does it specify any meaning for these bit combinations.

8.1.7 End of Volume Label Set (EOV1 to EOV9)

An End of Volume Label Set shall be a label set comprising at least two and at most nine End of Volume Labels.

8.1.7.1 First End of Volume Label (EOV1)

Table 9 — First End of Volume Label (EOV1)

BP	Field name	L	Content
1 to 3	Label Identifier	3	EOV
4	Label Number	1	1
5 to 21	File Identifier	17	a-characters
22 to 27	File Set Identifier	6	a-characters
28 to 31	File Section Number	4	Digits
32 to 35	File Sequence Number	4	Digits
36 to 39	Generation Number	4	Digits
40 and 41	Generation Version Number	2	Digits
42 to 47	Creation Date	6	SPACE, digits
48 to 53	Expiration Date	6	SPACE, digits
54	File Accessibility	1	a-character
55 to 60	Block Count	6	Digits
61 to 73	Implementation Identifier	13	a-characters
74 to 80	(Reserved for future standardization)	7	SPACEs

Within a Labelled-Sequence the contents of the fields of this label shall be identical with the contents of the corresponding fields in the First File Header Label, except for the following fields. (see Table 9)

8.1.7.1.1 Label Identifier (BP 1 to 3)

This field shall specify the Label Identifier.

The characters in this field shall be EOV.

8.1.7.1.2 Block Count (BP 55 to 60)

This field shall specify as a six-digit decimal number; the number or blocks in which the file section is recorded.

The characters in this field shall be digits.

8.1.7.1.3 Implementation Identifier (BP 61 to 73)

This field shall specify an identification of the implementation which recorded the label set.

The characters in this field shall be a-characters.

8.1.7.2 Second End of Volume Label (EOV2)

Table 10 — Second End of Volume Label (EOV2)

BP	Field name	L	Content
1 to 3	Label Identifier	3	EOV
4	Label Number	1	2
5	Record Format	1	F, D or S
6 to10	Block Length	5	Digits
11 to 15	Record Length	5	Digits
16 to 50	(Reserved for implementation use)	35	Not specified
51 and 52	Offset Length	2	Digits
53 to 80	(Reserved for future standardization)	28	SPACEs

Within a Labelled-Sequence the contents of the fields of this label shall be identical with the contents of the corresponding fields of the Second File Header Label, except for the following fields: (see Table 10)

8.1.7.2.1 Label Identifier (BP 1 to 3)

This field shall specify the Label Identifier.

The characters in this field shall be EOV.

8.1.7.2.2 Field reserved for implementation use (BP 16 to 50)

This field shall be reserved for implementation use.

This International Standard neither specifies nor restricts the bit combinations which may be recorded in this field, nor does it specify any meaning for these bit combinations.

8.1.7.3 Other End of Volume Labels (EOV3 to EOV9)

Other End of Volume Labels shall be optional. If present, they shall contain implementation-defined information and shall have the layout shown in Table 11.

Table 11 — Other End of Volume Labels (EOV3 to EOV9)

BP	Field name	L	Content
1 to 3	Label Identifier	3	EOV
4	Label Number	1	Digits 3 to 9
5 to 80	(Reserved for implementation use)	76	Not specified

8.1.7.3.1 Label Identifier (BP 1 to 3)

This field shall specify the Label Identifier.

The characters in this field shall be EOV.

8.1.7.3.2 Label Number (BP 4)

This field shall specify the Label Number.

The character in this field shall be one of digits THREE to NINE.

8.1.7.3.3 Field reserved for implementation use (BP 5 to 80)

This field shall be reserved for implementation use.

This International Standard neither specifies nor restricts the bit combinations which may be recorded in this field, nor does it specify any meaning for these bit combinations.

8.1.8 End of File Label Set (EOF1 to EOF9)

An End of File Label Set shall be a label set comprising at least two and at most nine End of File Labels.

8.1.8.1 First End of File Label (EOF1)

Table 12 — First End of File Label (EOF1)

BP	Field name	L	Content
1 to 3	Label Identifier	3	EOF
4	Label Number	1	1
5 to 21	File Identifier	17	a-characters
22 to 27	File Set Identifier	6	a-characters
28 to 31	File Section Number	4	Digits
32 to 35	File Sequence Number	4	Digits
36 to 39	Generation Number	4	Digits
40 and 41	Generation Version Number	2	Digits
42 to 47	Creation Date	6	SPACE, digits
48 to 53	Expiration Date	6	SPACE, digits
54	File Accessibility	1	a-character
55 to 60	Block Count	6	Digits
61 to 73	Implementation Identifier	13	a-characters
74 to 80	(Reserved for future standardization)	7	SPACEs

Within a Labelled-Sequence the contents of the fields of this label shall be identical with the contents of the corresponding fields in the First File Header Label, except for the following fields. (see Table 12)

8.1.8.1.1 Label Identifier (BP 1 to 3)

This field shall specify the Label Identifier.

The characters in this field shall be EOF.

8.1.8.1.2 Block Count (BP 55 to 60)

This field shall specify as a six-digit decimal number; the number of blocks in which the file section is recorded.

The characters in this field shall be digits.

8.1.8.1.3 Implementation Identifier (BP 61 to 73)

This field shall specify an identification of the implementation which recorded the label set.

The characters in this field shall be a-characters.

8.1.8.2 Second End of File Label (EOF2)

Table 13 — Second End of File Label (EOF2)

BP	Field name	L	Content
1 to 3	Label Identifier	3	EOF
4	Label Number	1	2
5	Record Format	1	F, D or S
6 to 10	Block Length	5	Digits
11 to 15	Record Length	5	Digits
16 to 50	(Reserved for implementation use)	35	Not specified
51 and 52	Offset Length	2	Digits
53 to 80	(Reserved for future standardization)	28	SPACEs

Within a Labelled-Sequence the contents of the fields of this label shall be identical with the contents of the corresponding fields in the Second File Header Label, except for the following fields. (see Table 13)

8.1.8.2.1 Label Identifier (BP 1 to 3)

This field shall specify the Label Identifier.

The characters in this field shall be EOF.

8.1.8.2.2 Field reserved for implementation use (BP 16 to 50)

This field shall be reserved for implementation use.

This International Standard neither specifies nor restricts the bit combinations which may be recorded in this field, nor does it specify any meaning for these bit combinations.

8.1.8.3 Other End of File Labels (EOF3 to EOF 9)

Other End of File Labels shall be optional. If present, they shall contain implementation-defined information and shall have the layout shown in Table 14.

Table 14 — Other End of File Labels (EOF3 to EOF 9)

BP	Field name	L	Content
1 to 3	Label Identifier	3	EOF
4	Label Number	1	Digits 3 to 9
5 to 80	(Reserved for implementation use)	76	Not specified

8.1.8.3.1 Label Identifier (BP 1 to 3)

This field shall specify the Label Identifier.

The characters in this field shall be EOF.

8.1.8.3.2 Label Number (BP 4)

This field shall specify the Label Number.

The character in this field shall be one of digits THREE to NINE.

8.1.8.3.3 Field reserved for implementation use (BP 5 to 80)

This field shall be reserved for implementation use.

This International Standard neither specifies nor restricts the bit combinations which may be recorded in this field, nor does it specify any meaning for these bit combinations.

8.1.9 User File Trailer Label Set (UTL)

A User File Trailer Label Set shall be optional. If present, its labels shall have the layout shown in Table 15.

Table 15 — User File Trailer Label Set (UTL)

BP	Field name	L	Content
1 to 3	Label Identifier	3	UTL
4	Label Number	1	a-character
5 to 80	(Reserved for application use)	76	Not specified

8.1.9.1 Label Identifier (BP 1 to 3)

This field shall specify the Label Identifier.

The characters in this field shall be UTL.

8.1.9.2 Label Number (BP 4)

This field shall be reserved for application use.

The character in this field shall be an a-Character.

8.1.9.3 Field reserved for application use (BP 5 to 80)

This field shall be reserved for application use.

This International Standard neither specifies nor restricts the bit combinations which may be recorded in this field, nor does it specify any meaning for these bit combinations.

8.2 Format and contents of the labels and label sets for e-characters

8.2.1 Character set and coding

Unless otherwise stated, the characters in the labels shall be coded in accordance with Annex B.

The 57 characters in the following positions of Table B.1 in Annex B shall be e-characters (see Annex B):

4/0, 4/11 to 4/14

5/0, 5/10, 5/12 to 5/14

6/0 to 6/1, 6/11 to 6/15

7/10, 7/13 to 7/15

12/1 to 12/9

13/1 to 13/9

14/2 to 14/9

15/0 to 15/9

NOTE When there is an agreement among parties involved with information interchange, restrictions may be arbitrarily imposed on the characters used in the fields of the Volume Identifier, Owner Identifier, File Identifier, File Set Identifier, and Implementation Identifier. For information interchange, these restrictions may be placed to provide maximum compatibility and print consistency, and it is not necessary to check whether the characters conform to the restrictions.

8.2.2 Justification of characters

In the label fields, characters shall be justified as follows:

— in each field, the contents of which are specified by this International Standard to be digits, the digits shall be right-justified and any remaining positions on the left shall be filled with ZEROs;

— in each field, the contents of which are specified by this annex to be e-characters, the e-characters shall be left-justified and any remaining positions on the right shall be filled with SPACEs.

8.2.3 Volume Header Label Set (VOL1)

A Volume Header Label Set shall be a label set comprising one Volume Header Label.

8.2.3.1 Volume Header Label (VOL1)

The Volume Header Label shall identify the volume and the owner. (see Table 16)

Table 16 — Volume Header Label (VOL1)

BP	Field name	L	Content
1 to 3	Label Identifier	3	VOL
4	Label Number	1	1
5 to 10	Volume Identifier	6	e-characters
11	(Reserved for implementation use)	1	Not specified
12 to 24	(Reserved for future standardization)	13	SPACEs
25 to 41	(Reserved for implementation use)	17	Not specified
42 to 51	Owner Identifier	10	e-characters
52 to 79	(Reserved for future standardization)	28	SPACEs
80	(Reserved for implementation use)	1	Not specified

8.2.3.1.1 Fields reserved for future standardization (BP 12 to 24 and BP 52 to 79)

These fields shall be reserved for future standardization.

The characters in these fields shall be SPACEs.

8.2.3.1.2 Label Identifier (BP 1 to 3)

This field shall specify the Label Identifier.

The characters in this field shall be VOL.

8.2.3.1.3 Label Number (BP 4)

This field shall specify the Label Number.

The Character in this field shall be the digit ONE.

8.2.3.1.4 Volume Identifier (BP 5 to 10)

This field shall specify an identification of the volume.

The characters in this field shall be e-characters.

8.2.3.1.5 Owner Identifier (BP 42 to 51)

This field shall specify an identification of the owner of the volume.

The characters in this field shall be e-characters.

8.2.3.1.6 Fields reserved for implementation use (BP 11, BP 25 to 41, and BP 80)

These fields shall be reserved for implementation use.

This International Standard neither specifies nor restricts the bit combinations which may be recorded in these fields, nor does it specify any meaning for these bit combinations.

8.2.4 File Header Label Set (HDR1 to HDR2)

A File Header Label Set shall be a label set comprising two File Header Labels.

8.2.4.1 First File Header Label (HDR1)

The First File Header Label shall identify the file section, specify the position of the file section within a file set, and specify certain attributes of the file section. (see Table 17)

Table 17 — First File Header Label (HDR1)

BP	Field name	L	Content
1 to 3	Label Identifier	3	HDR
4	Label Number	1	1
5 to 21	File Identifier	17	e-characters
22 to 27	File Set Identifier	6	e-characters
28 to 31	File Section Number	4	Digits
32 to 35	File Sequence Number	4	Digits
36 to 41	(Reserved for implementation use)	6	SPACE, digits
42 to 47	Creation Date	6	SPACE, digits
48 to 53	Expiration Date	6	SPACE, digits
54	(Reserved for implementation use)	1	Not specified
55 to 60	Block Count	6	ZEROs
61 to 73	Implementation Identifier	13	e-characters
74 to 76	(Reserved for future standardization)	3	SPACEs
77 to 80	(Reserved for implementation use)	4	Not specified

8.2.4.1.1 Field reserved for future standardization (BP 74 to 76)

This field shall be reserved for future standardization.

The characters in this field shall be SPACEs.

8.2.4.1.2 Label Identifier (BP 1 to 3)

This field shall specify the Label Identifier.

The characters in this field shall be HDR.

8.2.4.1.3 Label Number (BP 4)

This field shall specify the Label Number.

The Character in this field shall be the digit ONE.

8.2.4.1.4 File Identifier (BP 5 to 21)

This field shall specify an identification of the file.

The characters in this field shall be e-characters.

NOTE Different files in a file set are permitted to have the same file identifier.

8.2.4.1.5 File Set Identifier (BP 22 to 27)

This field shall specify an identification of the file set.

The characters in this field shall be e-characters.

8.2.4.1.6 File Section Number (BP 28 to 31)

This field shall specify the ordinal number of the file section as a four-digit decimal number starting from 0001.

The characters in this field shall be digits.

8.2.4.1.7 File Sequence Number (BP 32 to 35)

This field shall specify the ordinal number of the file in a file set as a four-digit decimal number starting from 0001.

The characters in this field shall be digits.

8.2.4.1.8 Creation Date (BP 42 to 47)

This field shall specify the creation date of a file section.

The characters in this field shall be SPACE and digits.

The first character shall specify that the two most significant digits of the year are 19 if it is SPACE and are 20 if it is digit ZERO.

The next two characters shall be digits specifying the two least significant digits of the year from 00 to 99.

The next three characters shall be digits specifying the ordinal number of the day as a three-digit decimal number from 001 to 366.

8.2.4.1.9 Expiration Date (BP 48 to 53)

This field shall specify the earliest date at which the data of the file section may be regarded as obsolete.

The characters in this field shall be SPACE and digits.

The first character shall specify that the two most significant digits of the year are 19 if it is SPACE and are 20 if it is digit ZERO.

The next two characters shall be digits specifying the two least significant digits of the year from 00 to 99.

The next three characters shall be digits specifying the ordinal number of the day as a three-digit decimal number from 001 to 366.

If the last five characters are ZEROs, this shall indicate that the expiration date is not specified and that the data may be regarded as obsolete.

8.2.4.1.10 Block Count (BP 55 to 60)

The characters in this field shall be ZEROs.

8.2.4.1.11 Implementation Identifier (BP 61 to 73)

This field shall specify an identification of the implementation which recorded the label set.

The characters in this field shall be e-characters.

8.2.4.1.12 Fields reserved for implementation use (BP 36 to 41)

This field shall be reserved for implementation use.

The characters in this field shall be SPACEs and/or digits.

8.2.4.1.13 Fields reserved for implementation use (BP 54 and BP 77 to 80)

These fields shall be reserved for implementation use.

This International Standard neither specifies nor restricts the bit combinations which may be recorded in these fields, nor does it specify any meaning for these bit combinations.

8.2.4.2 Second File Header Label (HDR2)

The Second File Header Label shall specify certain attributes of the file and implementation-defined information. (see Table 18)

Table 18 — Second File Header Label (HDR2)

BP	Field name	L	Content
1 to 3	Label Identifier	3	HDR
4	Label Number	1	2
5	Record Format	1	F or V
6 to 10	Block Length	5	Digits
11 to 15	Record Length	5	Digits
16 to 80	(Reserved for implementation use)	65	Not specified

8.2.4.2.1 Label Identifier (BP 1 to 3)

This field shall specify the Label Identifier.

The characters in this field shall be HDR.

8.2.4.2.2 Label Number (BP 4)

This field shall specify the Label Number.

The character in this field shall be the digit TWO.

8.2.4.2.3 Record Format (BP 5)

This field shall specify the format of the records of the file.

The character in this field shall be F or V.

F shall mean that all records are fixed-length records.

V shall mean that all records are variable-length records.

8.2.4.2.4 Block Length (BP 6 to 10)

This field shall specify the maximum permitted length of a data block of the file as a five-digit decimal number.

The characters in this field shall be digits.

8.2.4.2.5 Record Length (BP 11 to 15)

This field shall specify a five-digit decimal number as follows.

The characters in this field shall be digits.

If the Record Format field (HDR2 BP 5) contains F, the Record Length field shall specify the length of each data record.

If the Record Format field (HDR2 BP 5) contains V, the Record Length field shall specify the maximum length of a record in the file.

8.2.4.2.6 Field reserved for implementation use (BP 16 to 80)

This field shall be reserved for implementation use.

This International Standard neither specifies nor restricts the bit combinations which may be recorded in this field, nor does it specify any meaning for these bit combinations.

8.2.5 User File Header Label Set (UHL1 to UHL8)

A User File Header Label Set shall be optional. If present, its labels shall have the layout shown in Table 19.

Table 19 — User File Header Label Set (UHL1 to UHL8)

BP	Field name	L	Content
1 to 3	Label Identifier	3	UHL
4	Label Number	1	Digits 1 to 8
5 to 80	(Reserved for application use)	76	Not specified

8.2.5.1 Label Identifier (BP 1 to 3)

This field shall specify the Label Identifier.

The characters in this field shall be UHL.

8.2.5.2 Label Number (BP 4)

This field shall specify the Label Number.

The character in this field shall be one of the digits ONE to EIGHT.

8.2.5.3 Field reserved for application use (BP 5 to 80)

This field shall be reserved for application use.

This International Standard neither specifies nor restricts the bit combinations which may be recorded in this field, nor does it specify any meaning for these bit combinations.

8.2.6 End of Volume Label Set (EOV1 to EOV2)

An End of Volume Label Set shall be a label set comprising two End of Volume Labels.

8.2.6.1 First End of Volume Label (EOV1)

Table 20 — First End of Volume Label (EOV1)

BP	Field name	L	Content
1 to 3	Label Identifier	3	EOV
4	Label Number	1	1
5 to 21	File Identifier	17	e-characters
22 to 27	File Set Identifier	6	e-characters
28 to 31	File Section Number	4	Digits
32 to 35	File Sequence Number	4	Digits
36 to 41	(Reserved for implementation use)	6	SPACE, digits
42 to 47	Creation Date	6	SPACE, digits
48 to 53	Expiration Date	6	SPACE, digits
54	(Reserved for implementation use)	1	Not specified
55 to 60	Block Count	6	Digits
61 to 73	Implementation Identifier	13	e-characters
74 to 76	(Reserved for future standardization)	3	SPACEs
77 to 80	(Reserved for implementation use)	4	Not specified

Within a Labelled-Sequence the contents of the fields of this label shall be identical with the contents of the corresponding fields in the First File Header Label, except for the following fields. (see Table 20)

8.2.6.1.1 Label Identifier (BP 1 to 3)

This field shall specify the Label Identifier.

The characters in this field shall be EOV.

8.2.6.1.2 Block Count (BP 55 to 60)

This field shall specify as a six-digit decimal number; the number or blocks in which the file section is recorded.

The characters in this field shall be digits.

8.2.6.1.3 Implementation Identifier (BP 61 to 73)

This field shall specify an identification of the implementation which recorded the label set.

The characters in this field shall be e-characters.

8.2.6.2 Second End of Volume Label (EOV2)

Table 21 — Second End of Volume Label (EOV2)

BP	Field name	L	Content
1 to 3	Label Identifier	3	EOV
4	Label Number	1	2
5	Record Format	1	F or V
6 to10	Block Length	5	Digits
11 to 15	Record Length	5	Digits
16 to 80	(Reserved for implementation use)	65	Not specified

Within a Labelled-Sequence the contents of the fields of this label shall be identical with the contents of the corresponding fields of the Second File Header Label, except for the following fields. (see Table 21)

8.2.6.2.1 Label Identifier (BP 1 to 3)

This field shall specify the Label Identifier.

The characters in this field shall be EOV.

8.2.6.2.2 Field reserved for implementation use (BP 16 to 80)

This field shall be reserved for implementation use.

This International Standard neither specifies nor restricts the bit combinations which may be recorded in this field, nor does it specify any meaning for these bit combinations.

8.2.7 End of File Label Set (EOF1 to EOF2)

An End of File Label Set shall be a label set comprising two End of File Labels.

8.2.7.1 First End of File Label (EOF1)

Table 22 — First End of File Label (EOF1)

BP	Field name	L	Content
1 to 3	Label Identifier	3	EOF
4	Label Number	1	1
5 to 21	File Identifier	17	e-characters
22 to 27	File Set Identifier	6	e-characters
28 to 31	File Section Number	4	Digits
32 to 35	File Sequence Number	4	Digits
36 to 41	(Reserved for implementation use)	6	SPACE, digits
42 to 47	Creation Date	6	SPACE, digits
48 to 53	Expiration Date	6	SPACE, digits
54	(Reserved for implementation use)	1	Not specified
55 to 60	Block Count	6	Digits
61 to 73	Implementation Identifier	13	e-characters
74 to 76	(Reserved for future standardization)	3	SPACEs
77 to 80	(Reserved for implementation use)	4	Not specified

Within a Labelled-Sequence the contents of the fields of this label shall be identical with the contents of the corresponding fields in the First File Header Label, except for the following fields. (see Table 22)

8.2.7.1.1 Label Identifier (BP 1 to 3)

This field shall specify the Label Identifier.

The characters in this field shall be EOF.

8.2.7.1.2 Block Count (BP 55 to 60)

This field shall specify as a six-digit decimal number; the number of blocks in which the file section is recorded.

The characters in this field shall be digits.

8.2.7.1.3 Implementation Identifier (BP 61 to 73)

This field shall specify an identification of the implementation which recorded the label set.

The characters in this field shall be e-characters.

8.2.7.2 Second End of File Label (EOF2)

Table 23 — Second End of File Label (EOF2)

BP	Field name	L	Content
1 to 3	Label Identifier	3	EOF
4	Label Number	1	2
5	Record Format	1	F or V
6 to 10	Block Length	5	Digits
11 to 15	Record Length	5	Digits
16 to 80	(Reserved for implementation use)	65	Not specified

Within a Labelled-Sequence the contents of the fields of this label shall be identical with the contents of the corresponding fields in the Second File Header Label, except for the following fields: (see Table 23)

8.2.7.2.1 Label Identifier (BP 1 to 3)

This field shall specify the Label Identifier.

The characters in this field shall be EOF.

8.2.7.2.2 Field reserved for implementation use (BP 16 to 80)

This field shall be reserved for implementation use.

This International Standard neither specifies nor restricts the bit combinations which may be recorded in this field, nor does it specify any meaning for these bit combinations.

8.2.8 User File Trailer Label Set (UTL1 to UTL8)

A User File Trailer Label Set shall be optional. If present, its labels shall have the layout shown in Table 24.

Table 24 — User File Trailer Label Set (UTL1 to UTL8)

BP	Field name	L	Content
1 to 3	Label Identifier	3	UTL
4	Label Number	1	Digits 1 to 8
5 to 80	(Reserved for application use)	76	Not specified

8.2.8.1 Label Identifier (BP 1 to 3)

This field shall specify the Label Identifier.

The characters in this field shall be UTL.

8.2.8.2 Label Number (BP 4)

This field shall specify the Label Number.

The character in this field shall be one of the digits ONE to EIGHT.

8.2.8.3 Field reserved for application use (BP 5 to 80)

This field shall be reserved for application use.

This International Standard neither specifies nor restricts the bit combinations which may be recorded in this field, nor does it specify any meaning for these bit combinations.

9 Levels of interchange (only a-characters)

This International Standard specifies four nested levels of interchange.

At all levels, labels specified as optional by this International Standard may be recorded. These labels may be ignored in interchange.

9.1 Level 1

At Level 1 the following restrictions shall apply:

— a volume set shall contain only one file, and

— all records in any file shall be fixed-length records.

9.2 Level 2

At Level 2 the following restriction shall apply:

— all records in any file shall be fixed-length records.

9.3 Level 3

At Level 3 the following restriction shall apply:

— all records in the file shall be either fixed-length records or variable-length records.

9.4 Level 4

At level 4 no restrictions apply.

10 Requirements for the description of systems

Information shall be communicated between an application program and an implementation, or between an installation and an implementation (sec Clauses 11 and 12).

An information processing system that conforms to this International Standard shall be the subject of a description which identifies the means by which the user may supply such information, or may obtain it when it is made available, as specified in this International Standard.

11 Requirements for an originating system

11.1 Requirements for an originating system for a-characters

11.1.1 General

The implementation in an originating system shall be capable of recording a file set, and all labels that are not specified in this

International Standard as being optional, on a volume set in accordance with one of the interchange levels specified in clause 9 of this International Standard.

The implementation shall not be required to record any labels that are specified in this International Standard as being optional.

11.1.2 Files

The implementation shall obtain from the application program the records that constitute the files of the file set to be recorded.

The implementation shall obtain from the application program the length of each record in the file.

NOTE An RCW or SCW does not form part of a record.

11.1.3 Labels

11.1.3.1

The implementation shall permit the installation to supply the information that is to be recorded in each of the label fields listed below, and shall supply the information for a field if the installation does not supply it.

For each volume in the volume set:

— Volume Identifier VOL1 BP 5 to 10

— Volume Accessibility VOL1 BP 11

For each file in the file set:

— File Accessibility HDR1 BP 54

11.1.3.2

If the implementation permits the installation to supply the information that is to be recorded in any of the label fields listed below, then the implementation shall record such information as supplied by the installation, and shall supply the information if the installation does not supply it.

For each volume in the volume set:

— Owner Identifier VOL1 BP 38 to 51

For each file in the file set:

— File Set Identifier HDR1 BP 22 to 27