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DLT6 format**

Introduction This Japanese Industrial Standard has been prepared based on the first edition of ISO/IEC 16382 *Information technology — Data interchange on 12.7 mm 208-track magnetic tape cartridges — DLT6 format* published in 2000 without modifying the technical contents.

Portions underlined with dots are the matters not stated in the original International Standard.

1 Scope This Standard specifies the physical and magnetic characteristics of a 12.7 mm wide, 208-track magnetic tape cartridge, to enable physical interchangeability of such cartridges between drives. It also specifies the quality of the recorded signals, a format - called Digital Linear Tape 6 (DLT 6) - and a recording method, thereby allowing data interchange between drives.

Together with a labelling standard, for instance, JIS X 0601 for magnetic tape labelling, it allows full data interchange by means of such magnetic tape cartridges.

NOTE : The International Standard corresponding to this Standard is as follows.

In addition, symbols which denote the degree of correspondence in the contents between the relevant International Standard and JIS are IDT (identical), MOD (modified), and NEQ (not equivalent) according to ISO/IEC Guide 21.

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2 Conformance

2.1 Magnetic tape cartridges A magnetic tape cartridge shall be in conformance with this Standard if it satisfies all mandatory requirements of this Standard.

The tape requirements shall be satisfied throughout the extent of the tape.

2.2 Generating systems A system generating a magnetic tape cartridge for interchange shall be in conformance with this Standard if all the recordings that it makes on a tape according to 2.1 meet the mandatory requirements of this Standard.

In addition, a claim of conformance shall state

- whether or not one, or more registered algorithm(s) are implemented within the system, and are able to compress data received from the host prior to collecting the data into blocks, and
- the registered identification number(s) of the implemented compression algorithm(s).