

ESOTERIC STANDARD COMMITTEE

The Esoteric Standard Committee

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This standard has been approved by the following members of the ESOSC:

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1 About ESOSC

The Esoteric Standard Committee (usually referred to as ESOSC) issues esolang related standards to strive for a standardization of esoteric programming languages and esolang related works.

2 EUIN

The ESOSC Unique Identification number uniquely identifies (usually referred to as EUIN) a standard with respect to specific versions of certain standards.

2.1 Format

The format of an EUIN is as follows:

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<EUIN> ::=  
  'ESOSC' <hyph> <year> <hyph> <prefix> <number> [ <hyph>'R' <number> ]  
<hyph> ::= '-'  
<number> ::= <digit> | <digit> <number>  
<digit> ::= '0'|'1'|'2'|'3'|'4'|'5'|'6'|'7'|'8'|'9'  
<year> ::= <digit> <digit> <digit> <digit>  
<prefix> ::= 'D' | 'A' | 'O'
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prefix denotes the state the standard is in. D refers to a draft, A to an approved standard and O marks obsolete standards. The optional -R... part denotes a revision number of a standard. Further the EUIN encodes the year of first issue and a number that is successively increased with every new standard to ensure uniqueness. The EUIN doesnt change except for the prefix and revision number once a standard changes state. Revision numbers are successively increased with new revisions of a standard. Revision numbers shall be avoided for approved standards.

3 Approval of standards

For a standard to be approved at least three members of the ESOSC have to approve it without having been bribed, forced, blackmailed or influenced by drugs, alcohol or similar substances to do so.

4 Obsolescence

Standards may be marked as obsolete once the ESOSC finds that it is no longer appropriate to use or has been completely replaced by another standard and can not recommend using the old standard any longer. Marking a standard as obsolete requires approval of at least three members of the ESOSC.

5 Drafts

Any member of the ESOSC is allowed to submit drafts for approval. Any non-member of the ESOSC is allowed to request that the ESOSC should work on a new standard and may submit suggestions or proposals for standards to the ESOSC.

6 Revisions

A new revision of an approved standard is put into the draft state and requires the usual approval process taking place. Revisions of standards in draft state are not affected by this. The ESOSC is allowed to correct grammar, orthographical or similar mistakes without requiring a new revision.

7 New members

For a non-member to become a member he or she has to pass a vote. To pass the vote $2/3$ of all existing members must vote to accept her or him as a new member.