

TC17 - Magnetic tapes and tape cartridges

Scope:

To identify and standardize the minimum number of parameters necessary to ensure interchangeability of magnetic tapes and tape cartridges using appropriate methods of recording and taking account of existing standards.

Programme of work:

1. To develop standards for 3,81 mm, 6,30 mm, 8 mm and 12,65/12,7 mm wide magnetic tape cartridges.
2. To monitor the revision of International Standards for magnetic tapes and tape cartridges.
3. To develop standards for algorithms for the lossless compression of data.
4. To assume responsibility for the maintenance of ECMA Standards prepared by TC17.
5. To maintain liaison with other standards organizations in order to present ECMA proposals to them and to make comments on their proposals.

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