SMPTE RECOMMENDED PRACTICE

SMPTE Labels Register

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Foreword

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Intellectual Property

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1   Scope

The SMPTE labels register defined by this practice covers the use of SMPTE universal labels as individual items where the meaning of each label is conveyed by the content of the universal label alone. A full definition is given in SMPTE ST 400.

The labels register structure defined in SMPTE ST 400 covers the use of SMPTE universal labels for identification all types of essence (video, audio, and data in their various forms) and metadata. The standard specifies that any application must conform both to:

>   (a) the definitions and formats in SMPTE ST 400; and

>   (b) this SMPTE labels register practice.

The standard and this practice shall be used together as a pair; neither may be used in isolation. This practice contains a representation of the SMPTE labels register contents in the form of an excel spreadsheet. Other representations may be made available as defined by SMPTE ST 400.

2   Conformance Notation

Normative text is text that describes elements of the design that are indispensable or contains the conformance language keywords: "shall", "should", or "may". Informative text is text that is potentially helpful to the user, but not indispensable, and can be removed, changed, or added editorially without affecting interoperability. Informative text does not contain any conformance keywords.

All text in this document is, by default, normative, except: the Introduction, any section explicitly labeled as "Informative" or individual paragraphs that start with "Note:"

The keywords "shall" and "shall not" indicate requirements strictly to be followed in order to conform to the document and from which no deviation is permitted.

The keywords, "should" and "should not" indicate that, among several possibilities, one is recommended as particularly suitable, without mentioning or excluding others; or that a certain course of action is preferred but not necessarily required; or that (in the negative form) a certain possibility or course of action is deprecated but not prohibited.

The keywords "may" and "need not" indicate courses of action permissible within the limits of the document.

The keyword "reserved" indicates a provision that is not defined at this time, shall not be used, and may be defined in the future. The keyword "forbidden" indicates "reserved" and in addition indicates that the provision will never be defined in the future.

A conformant implementation according to this document is one that includes all mandatory provisions ("shall") and, if implemented, all recommended provisions ("should") as described. A conformant implementation need not implement optional provisions ("may") and need not implement them as described.

Unless otherwise specified, the order of precedence of the types of normative information in this document shall be as follows: Normative prose shall be the authoritative definition; Tables shall be next; followed by formal languages; then figures; and then any other language forms.

3   Normative References

Note: All references in this document to other SMPTE documents use the current numbering style (e.g. SMPTE ST 400:2004) although, during a transitional phase, the document as published (printed or PDF) may

bear an older designation (such as SMPTE 400M-2004). Documents with the same root number (e.g. 400) and publication year (e.g. 2004) are functionally identical.

The following standard contains provisions which, through reference in this text, constitute provisions of this recommended practice. At the time of publication, the edition indicated was valid. All standards are subject to revision, and parties to agreements based on this recommended practice are encouraged to investigate the possibility of applying the most recent edition of the standard indicated below.

SMPTE ST 400:2004, Television — SMPTE Labels Structure

4   Register Structure

The structure of this register shall comply with the provisions of SMPTE ST 400.

For convenience of the management of the registry, SMPTE labels are organised under the six distinct classes of identification: administration, interpretation, parametric, process, relational, spatio-temporal and compound as defined by SMPTE ST 400. Two further classes are reserved for organizationally registered metadata and one for experimental use.

These classes, and all sub-classes therein, are identified as nodes. All nodes have an assigned SMPTE label value and, per SMPTE ST 400, all nodes are reserved for navigation and management purposes only.

5   Register Implementation

The first two rows of the register shall identify each column of the register as defined by SMPTE ST 400.

The register may include an additional column that identifies the register version of each entry for reader clarity. This version number shall be identical to the last byte of the Registry Designator.

Annex A Bibliography (Informative)

Note: All references in this document to other SMPTE documents use the current numbering style (e.g. SMPTE ST 298:2009) although, during a transitional phase, the document as published (printed or PDF) may bear an older designation (such as SMPTE 298-2009). Documents with the same root number (e.g. 298) and publication year (e.g. 2009) are functionally identical.

SMPTE ST 298:2009, Universal Labels for Unique Identification of Digital Data

SMPTE ST 336:2007, Data Encoding Protocol Using Key-Length-Value