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Abstract

This standard specifies the method of transmitting the Standard Code for Information Interchange (FIPS 1) in the serial-by-bit, serial-by-character data transmission. This revision supersedes FIPS PUB 16 and reflects changes necessary to accommodate FIPS 1 when operating in either 7 or 8 bit coded environments. This standard is identified also as Federal Standard Number 1010.

Key words: American Standard Code for Information Interchange; ASCII; communications; data communications equipment; data processing terminal equipment; data transmission; Federal Information Processing Standards; serial-by-bit; serial-by-character; telecommunications; teleprocessing.

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ANNOUNCING THE STANDARD FOR



BIT SEQUENCING OF THE CODE FOR INFORMATION INTERCHANGE IN SERIAL-BY-BIT DATA TRANSMISSION

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Name of Standard. Bit Sequencing of the Code for Information Interchange in Serial-By-Bit Data Transmission.

Category of Standard. Hardware Standard, Transmission.

Explanation. This standard specifies the method of transmitting the Standard Code for Information Interchange (FIPS 1) in the serial-by-bit, serial-by-character data transmission. This revision supersedes FIPS PUB 16 and reflects changes necessary to accommodate FIPS 1 when operating in either 7 or 8 bit coded environments.

Approving Authority. Secretary of Commerce.

Maintenance Agency. Department of Commerce, National Bureau of Standards (Institute for Computer Sciences and Technology).

Cross Index.

- a. American National Standard X3.15-1976, Bit Sequencing of the American National Standard Code for Information Interchange in Serial-By-Bit Data Transmission.
 - b. FIPS PUB 1, Code for Information Interchange.
- c. FIPS PUB 17-1, Character Structure and Character Parity Sense for Serial-By-Bit Data Communication in the Code for Information Interchange.
- d. FIPS PUB 18-1, Character Structure and Character Parity Sense for Parallel-By-Bit Data Communication in the Code for Information Interchange.

Applicability. Applicable to the transmission of the Standard Code in a serial bit stream form at the interface between data terminal equipment and data communications equipment. Data terminal equipments transmitting an approved Federal subset of FIPS 1 are not precluded.

Specifications. Federal Information Processing Standard 16–1 (FIPS 16–1), Bit Sequencing of the Code for Information Interchange in Serial-By-Bit Data Transmission is identified also as Federal Standard Number 1010 (affixed). This joint Federal Information Processing Standard and Federal Standard adopts American National Standard X3.15–1976, Bit Sequencing of the Code for Information Interchange in Serial-By-Bit Data Transmission.

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 - (1) Statement of purpose and principal function of the system.
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FEDERAL STANDARD

TELECOMMUNICATIONS: BIT SEQUENCING OF THE AMERICAN NATIONAL STANDARD CODE FOR INFORMATION INTERCHANGE IN SERIAL-BY-BIT DATA TRANSMISSION

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- 1. Scope. This standard specifies the bit sequencing of the American National Standard Code for Information Interchange (ASCII) for serial-by-bit, serial-by-character data transmission.
- 1.1 Purpose. Federal telecommunication standards are to facilitate interoperability between telecommunication facilities and systems and compatibility of these systems at the computer-communications interface with data processing equipment.
- 1.2 Application. This standard is to be used by Federal agencies with other Federal Standards or design specifications describing functional, mechanical and procedural characteristics as necessary to achieve interoperability.
- 2. Reference Document. This standard adopts the following American National Standards Institute (ANSI) document:
 - X3.15-1976 Bit sequencing of the Code for Information Interchange in Serial-by-bit Data Transmission.

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