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## Introduction

The organization of this part of ISO/IEC 9075 is as follows:

- 1) **Clause 1, “Scope”**, specifies the scope of this part of ISO/IEC 9075.
- 2) **Clause 2, “Normative references”**, identifies additional standards that, through reference in this part of ISO/IEC 9075, constitute provisions of this part of ISO/IEC 9075.
- 3) **Clause 3, “Definitions, notations, and conventions”**, defines the notations and conventions used in this part of ISO/IEC 9075.
- 4) **Clause 4, “Concepts”**, presents concepts used in the definition of Persistent SQL modules.
- 5) **Clause 5, “Information Schema”**, defines viewed tables that contain schema information.
- 6) **Clause 6, “Definition Schema”**, defines base tables on which the viewed tables containing schema information depend.
- 7) **Clause 7, “Conformance”**, defines the criteria for conformance to this part of ISO/IEC 9075.
- 8) **Annex A, “SQL Conformance Summary”**, is an informative Annex. It summarizes the conformance requirements of the SQL language.
- 9) **Annex B, “Implementation-defined elements”**, is an informative Annex. It lists those features for which the body of this part of ISO/IEC 9075 states that the syntax, the meaning, the returned results, the effect on SQL-data and/or schemas, or any other behavior is partly or wholly implementation-defined.
- 10) **Annex C, “Implementation-dependent elements”**, is an informative Annex. It lists those features for which the body of this part of ISO/IEC 9075 states that the syntax, the meaning, the returned results, the effect on SQL-data and/or schemas, or any other behavior is partly or wholly implementation-dependent.
- 11) **Annex D, “Deprecated features”**, is an informative Annex. It lists features that the responsible Technical Committee intend will not appear in a future revised version of this part of ISO/IEC 9075.
- 12) **Annex E, “Incompatibilities with ISO/IEC 9075:2011”**, is an informative Annex. It lists incompatibilities with the previous version of this part of ISO/IEC 9075.
- 13) **Annex F, “SQL feature taxonomy”**, is an informative Annex. It identifies features of the SQL language specified in this part of ISO/IEC 9075 by an identifier and a short descriptive name. This taxonomy is used to specify conformance.
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### Part 11:

### Information and Definition Schemas (SQL/Schemata)

#### 1 Scope

This part of ISO/IEC 9075 specifies an Information Schema and a Definition Schema that describes:

- The structure and integrity constraints of SQL-data.
- The security and authorization specifications relating to SQL-data.
- The features and subfeatures of ISO/IEC 9075, and the support that each of these has in an SQL-implementation.
- The SQL-implementation information and sizing items of ISO/IEC 9075 and the values supported by an SQL-implementation.

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### 2.1 ISO and IEC standards

[ISO9075-1] ISO/IEC 9075-1:2016, *Information technology — Database languages — SQL — Part 1: Framework (SQL/Framework)*.

[ISO9075-2] ISO/IEC 9075-2:2016, *Information technology — Database languages — SQL — Part 2: Foundation (SQL/Foundation)*.

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