
**Information technology — 120 mm
(8,54 Gbytes per side) and 80 mm
(2,66 Gbytes per side) DVD re-recordable
disk for dual layer (DVD-RW for DL)**

*Technologies de l'information — Disque DVD réenregistrable de
120 mm (8,54 Go par face) et 80 mm (2,66 Go par face) pour double
couche (DVD-RW pour DL)*

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Foreword

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Introduction

Ecma Technical Committee TC31 was established in 1984 for the standardization of Optical Disks and Optical Disk Cartridges (ODC). Since its establishment, the Committee has made major contributions to ISO/IEC JTC 1/SC 23 toward the development of International Standards for optical disks. Numerous standards have been developed by TC31 and published by Ecma, almost all of which have also been adopted by ISO/IEC under the fast-track procedure as International Standards. The following Ecma Standards for DVD 120 mm and 80 mm have been published by Ecma and adopted by ISO/IEC JTC 1. Those standards are based on original specifications from The DVD Forum.

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| ISO/IEC 16448 | Information technology — 120 mm DVD — Read-only disk |
| ISO/IEC 16449 | Information technology — 80 mm DVD — Read-only disk |
| ISO/IEC 16824 | Information technology — 120 mm DVD rewritable disk (DVD-RAM) |
| ISO/IEC 16825 | Information technology — Case for 120 mm DVD-RAM disks |
| ISO/IEC 17342 | Information technology — 80 mm (1,46 Gbytes per side) and 120 mm (4,70 Gbytes per side) DVD re-recordable disk (DVD-RW) |
| ISO/IEC 17592 | Information technology — 120 mm (4,7 Gbytes per side) and 80 mm (1,46 Gbytes per side) DVD rewritable disk (DVD-RAM) |
| ISO/IEC 17594 | Information technology — Cases for 120 mm and 80 mm DVD-RAM disks |
| ISO/IEC 20563 | Information technology — 80 mm (1,23 Gbytes per side) and 120 mm (3,95 Gbytes per side) DVD-recordable disk (DVD-R) |
| ISO/IEC 23912 | Information technology — 80 mm (1,46 Gbytes per side) and 120 mm (4,70 Gbytes per side) DVD Recordable Disk (DVD-R) |

In April 2007, nine members proposed that TC31 develop a standard for 120 mm and 80 mm dual layer DVD re-recordable optical disks using Phase Change recording technology. TC31 adopted this project, which has resulted in this International Standard.

This International Standard specifies two Types of dual layer re-recordable optical disks: one (Type 1S) making use of recording on only a single side of the disk and yielding a nominal capacity of 8,54 Gbytes for a 120 mm disk and 2,66 Gbytes for an 80 mm disk, the other (Type 2S) making use of recording on both sides of the disk and yielding a nominal capacity of 17,08 Gbytes for a 120 mm disk and 5,32 Gbytes for an 80 mm disk.

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1 Scope

This International Standard specifies the mechanical, physical and optical characteristics of a 120 mm and an 80 mm dual layer DVD re-recordable disk to enable the interchange of such disks. It specifies the quality of the embossed, unrecorded and the recorded signals, the format of the data, the format of the information zone, the format of the unrecorded zone, and the recording method, thereby allowing for information interchange by means of such disks. This disk is identified as a DVD re-recordable disk for dual layer (DVD-RW for DL).

This International Standard specifies:

- 120 mm and 80 mm nominal diameter disks that may be either single or double sided;
- the conditions for conformance;
- the environments in which the disk is to be operated and stored;
- the mechanical and physical characteristics of the disk, so as to provide mechanical interchange between data processing systems;
- the format of the embossed information on an unrecorded disk, including the physical disposition of the tracks and sectors, the error correcting codes and the coding method used;
- the format of the data and the recorded information on the disk, including the physical disposition of the tracks and sectors, the error correcting codes and the coding method used;
- the characteristics of the signals from embossed and unrecorded areas on the disk, enabling data processing systems to read the embossed information and to write to the disks;
- the characteristics of the signals recorded on the disk, enabling data processing systems to read the data from the disk.

This International Standard provides for interchange of disks between disk drives. Together with a standard for volume and file structure, it provides for full data interchange between data processing systems.

2 Conformance

2.1 Optical Disk

A claim of conformance shall specify the type of the disk, i.e. its size and whether it is single-sided or double sided. An optical disk shall be in conformance with this International Standard if it meets the mandatory requirements specified for this type.

2.2 Generating system

A generating system shall be in conformance with this International Standard if the optical disk it generates is in accordance with 2.1.

2.3 Receiving system

A receiving system shall be in conformance with this International Standard if it is able to handle an optical disk according to 2.1.

3 Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

ISO 8859-1, -2, -3 and -4, *Information technology — 8-bit single-byte coded graphic character sets — Part 1: Latin alphabet No. 1*

ECMA-287, *Safety of electronic equipment* — 2nd edition (December 2002)