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- Part 1: Unrecorded magnetic tape for (HDDR) applications
- Part 2: Guide for interchange practice

Annexes A and B of this part of ISO/IEC 8441 are for information only.

## Information technology — High density digital recording (HDDR) —

#### Part 2:

Guide for interchange practice

#### 1 Scope

This part of ISO/IEC 8441 specifies the minimum performance levels necessary for the effective interchange of information using High Density Digital Recording (HDDR). It also describes methods of testing for determining these levels. It gives guidance on recorders/reproducer characteristics, modes of recording, and modulation patterns.

The imperial dimensions given in this part of ISO/IEC 8441 are the reference dimensions. The metric and imperial dimensions are, however, given to a sufficient degree of accuracy as to be totally interchangeable.

#### 2 Normative references

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ISO/IEC 3788:1990, Information processing — 9-track, 12,7 mm (0,5 in) wide magnetic tape for information interchange using phase encoding at 126 ftpmm (3 200 ftpi), 63 cpmm (1 600 cpi).

ISO 6068:1985, Information processing — Recording characteristics of instrumentation magnetic tape (including telemetry systems) — Interchange requirements.

ISO/IEC TR 6371:1989, Information processing — Interchange practices and test methods for unrecorded instrumentation magnetic tape.