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**Information technology — JPEG XS  
low-latency lightweight image coding  
system —**

**Part 1:  
Core coding system**

*Technologies de l'information — Système de codage d'images léger à faible latence JPEG XS —*

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The main changes are as follows:

- coding tools for compressing colour filter array images (CFA images) have been added;
- coding tools that enable lossless coding of images with up to 12 bits per sample have been added;
- support for 4:2:0 sampled images has been added.

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# Information technology — JPEG XS low-latency lightweight image coding system —

## Part 1: Core coding system

### 1 Scope

This document defines the syntax and an accompanying decompression process that is capable to represent continuous-tone grey-scale, or continuous-tone colour digital images without visual loss at moderate compression rates. Typical compression rates are between 2:1 and 6:1 but can also be higher depending on the nature of the image. In particular, the syntax and the decoding process specified in this document allow lightweight encoder and decoder implementations that limit the end-to-end latency to a fraction of the frame size. However, the definition of transmission channel buffer models necessary to ensure such latency is beyond the scope of this document.

This document:

- specifies decoding processes for converting compressed image data to reconstructed image data;
- specifies a codestream syntax containing information for interpreting the compressed image data;
- provides guidance on encoding processes for converting source image data to compressed image data.

### 2 Normative references

There are no normative references in this document.