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Foreword

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Introduction

ISO/IEC 24730 defines the air interfaces and an application programming interface for Real Time Locating Systems (RTLS) devices used in asset management applications.

This Technical Report contains all measurements required to be made on a product in order to establish whether it conforms to ISO/IEC 24730-2.

Test methods for measuring performance of equipment compliant with ISO/IEC 24730-2 are given in ISO/IEC TR 24770.

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1 Scope

This Technical Report defines the test methods for determining the conformance of 2.4 GHz real-time locating system (RTLS) tags with the specifications given in the corresponding parts of ISO/IEC 24730-2, but does not apply to the testing of conformity with regulatory or similar requirements.

The test methods require only that the mandatory functions, and any optional functions which are implemented, be verified. This may in appropriate circumstances, be supplemented by further, application specific functionality criteria that are not available to the general case.

The RTLS tag conformance parameters included in this document include the mandatory direct sequence spread spectrum (DSSS) 2,4 GHz radio frequency beacon. It also includes the optional on-off keyed, frequency shift keyed (OOK/FSK) short range radio frequency link and the optional magnetic air interface

Unless otherwise specified, the tests in this Technical Report apply exclusively to RTLS tags defined in ISO/IEC 24730-2.

2 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/IEC 19762-1, Information technology — Automatic identification and data capture (AIDC) techniques — Harmonized vocabulary — Part 1. General terms relating to AIDC

ISO/IEC 19762-3, Information technology — Automatic identification and data capture (AIDC) techniques — Harmonized vocabulary — Part 3: Radio frequency identification (RFID)

ISO/IEC 24730-2, Information technology — Real-time locating systems (RTLS) — Part 2: 2,4 GHz air interface protocol