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**Cinematography — Manufacturer-  
printed, latent image identification  
on 16 mm, 35 mm and 65 mm motion-  
picture film — Specifications and  
dimensions**

*Cinématographie — Identification d'image latente, imprimée par le  
fabricant, sur films cinématographiques 16 mm, 35 mm et 65 mm —  
Spécifications et dimensions*





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# Cinematography — Manufacturer-printed, latent image identification on 16 mm, 35 mm and 65 mm motion-picture film — Specifications and dimensions

## 1 Scope

**1.1** This document specifies the position and dimensions of machine-readable identification numbers on 16 mm, 35 mm and 65 mm motion-picture film. These numbers are intended to be a machine-readable version of the latent image key number. This document also specifies the encoding format to be used for these machine-readable numbers, as well as the area scanned and the spectral characteristics of the scanner.

**1.2** This document also specifies the position, dimensions and content of human-readable identification (key) numbers for use on 16 mm, 35 mm and 65 mm motion-picture films intended for original photography or intermediate printing which also include the machine-readable key number described in [1.1](#).

NOTE These numbers normally are exposed onto the film at the time of manufacture.

**1.3** This document further specifies an area that may be used for optional manufacturer-specific film-type identification information.

**1.4** This document also specifies an area on the film which is not to be exposed by the film manufacturer, thus leaving it available for customer data recording.

**1.5** Finally, this document specifies an optional frame line index mark for 35 mm and 65 mm film.

## 2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements 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 69, *Cinematography — 16 mm motion-picture and magnetic film — Cutting and perforating dimensions*

ISO 491, *Cinematography — 35 mm motion-picture film and magnetic film — Cutting and perforating dimensions*

ISO 3023, *Cinematography — 65 mm and 70 mm unexposed motion-picture film — Cutting and perforating dimensions*

ANSI/AIM BC4-1995, *Uniform Symbology Specification — Code 128*

## 3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply.

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