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The main changes compared to the previous edition are as follows:

— support for using sample variants for multiple alternate samples;

— support for using sample variants for multiple alternate protection schemes;

— support for carriage of sample variants in MPEG-2 transport streams.

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# Part 12:
# Sample variants

## 1 Scope

This document defines sample variants and their carriage in the ISO base media file format (ISO/IEC 14496-12) and MPEG-2 transport stream (ISO/IEC 13818-1).

## 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/IEC 13818-1:2018, *Information technology — Generic coding of moving pictures and associated audio information — Part 1: Systems*

ISO/IEC 14496-12:2015, *Information technology — Coding of audio-visual objects — Part 12: ISO base media file format*

ISO/IEC 23001-7, *Information technology — MPEG systems technologies — Part 7: Common encryption in ISO base media file format files*

ISO/IEC 23001-9, *Information technology — MPEG systems technologies — Part 9: Common encryption of MPEG-2 transport streams*

## 3 Terms and definitions

For the purpose of this document, the terms and definitions given in ISO/IEC 13818-1, ISO/IEC 14496-12, and the following apply.

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— ISO Online browsing platform: available at https://www.iso.org/obp

— IEC Electropedia: available at http://www.electropedia.org/

**3.1**
**double encrypted**
encrypted first by a *media key* (3.3) (as part of the encryption of the complete sample variant) and then by a variant byte range key

Note 1 to entry: See 7.2.

**3.2**
**media data stream**
track or packetized elementary stream containing audio-visual content

Note 1 to entry: Track is as specified in ISO/IEC 14496-12.

Note 2 to entry: Packetized elementary stream is as specified in ISO/IEC 13818-1.