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## 1 Scope and object

This part of IEC 60870-5 applies to telecontrol equipment and systems with coded bit serial data transmission for monitoring and controlling geographically widespread processes. It defines a telecontrol companion standard that enables interoperability among compatible telecontrol equipment. The defined telecontrol companion standard utilizes standards of the IEC 60870-5 series of documents. The specifications of this standard present a functional profile for basic telecontrol tasks. Further companion standards, based on the IEC 60870-5 series are under consideration.

This standard defines ASDUs with time tags CP24Time2a which includes three octets binary time from milliseconds to minutes. In addition to these specifications, ASDUs with time tags CP56Time2a, which includes seven octets binary time from milliseconds to years, are defined in this standard (see 6.8 of IEC 60870-5-4 and 7.2.6.18 of this standard).

ASDUs with time tags CP56Time2a are used when the controlling station is not able to add the time from hours to years unambiguously to the received ASDUs which are tagged from milliseconds to minutes. This may happen when using networks with uncertain transmission delays or if temporary failure of a network occurs.

Although this companion standard defines the most important user functions, other than the actual communication functions, it cannot guarantee complete compatibility and interoperability between equipment of different vendors. An additional mutual agreement is normally required between concerned parties regarding the methods of use of the defined communication functions, taking into account the operation of the entire telecontrol equipment.

Standards specified in this standard are compatible with standards defined in IEC 60870-5-1 to IEC 60870-5-5 (see Clause 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.

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