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- *Part 1: Vision, Technologies and Strategy*
- *Part 2: Digital Item Declaration*
- *Part 3: Digital Item Identification*
- *Part 5: Rights Expression Language*
- *Part 6: Rights Data Dictionary*
- *Part 7: Digital Item Adaptation*
- *Part 8: Reference Software*
- *Part 9: File Format*
- *Part 10: Digital Item Processing*
- *Part 11: Evaluation Tools for Persistent Association Technologies*
- *Part 12: Test Bed for MPEG-21 Resource Delivery*
- *Part 16: Binary Format*

The following parts are under preparation:

- *Part 4: Intellectual Property Management and Protection Components*
- *Part 15: Event Reporting*

Introduction

The MPEG-21 File Format is designed to contain a base MPEG-21 XML document with some or all of its ancillary resources, potentially in a single package.

It forms part of a family of specifications which are box-structured, and is built using tools from the ISO Base Media File Format, specifically those that provide the unified structural approach to both static meta-data (untimed meta-data) and MPEG-21 integrated document handling.

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1 Scope

This International Standard specifies the MPEG-21 file format, in which an MPEG-21 XML document (e.g. Digital Item Declaration (DID)) and some or all of its referenced content can be placed in a single 'content package' file. This enables the interchange, editing, and 'playback' of MPEG-21 documents.

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

ISO/IEC 21000-2, *Information technology — Multimedia framework (MPEG-21) — Part 2: Digital Item Declaration*