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- Part 2: Interchange format
- Part 3: Glyph shape representation
- Part 4: Harmonization to Open Font Format

Introduction

ISO/IEC 9541 is a font information interchange standard and is designed to be independent of any concrete font file format. The Open Font Format (ISO/IEC 14496-22) is a font file format specification that is based on the TrueType font file format. With regard to the handling and utilization of the typographic properties stored in OFF file, ISO/IEC 14496-22 describes the implementations on Microsoft Windows or IBM OS/2 only. Therefore, ISO/IEC 14496-22 does not specify the method for defining a font resource in ISO/IEC 9541 architectures from a given OFF file, because it is out of the scope. ISO/IEC 9541-4 fills the gap between OFF file and font resource in ISO/IEC 9541.