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Foreword

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Introduction

Every effort was made during the preparation of this International Standard — adapted from ASME Y14.41:2003 — to apply existing requirements developed for two-dimensional (2-D) presentation equally to the output from three-dimensional (3-D) models. Where new Geometrical Product Specification (GPS) rules have proved essential, these have been drafted with a view to their being equally applicable to both 2-D and 3-D. Therefore, in order to maintain the integrity of a single system, these new rules are being incorporated in the relevant existing ISO standards for cross-reference. Application examples have been included where, due to the specific requirements of 3-D modelling, additional guidance was deemed beneficial.

It is recognised that there is a need to support drawings in conjunction with 3-D models now and for the foreseeable future. This need has been addressed in this International Standard through the definition of the two methods for documenting digital models and specification of requirements to ensure that the information in a data set is consistent between the model and the drawing.

The figures in this International Standard are intended only as illustrations to aid the user in understanding the practices elaborated in the text. In some cases, figures show a level of detail as needed for emphasis; in others, they are only complete enough to illustrate a concept or facet thereof. The absence of figures has no bearing on the applicability of the specified requirement or practice.

In order to comply with the requirements of this International Standard, actual data sets will need to meet the content requirements set forth in its text.

Most figures are illustrations of models in a 3-D environment. Figures illustrating drawings in digital format include a border.

Text in uppercase letters used in the figures are intended to appear in digital product definition data, or data sets; while that in lowercase letters is for information only and is not intended to appear in data sets.