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## Foreword

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ISO 26021 consists of the following parts, under the general title *Road vehicles — End-of-life activation of on-board pyrotechnic devices*:

- *Part 1: General information and use case definitions*
- *Part 2: Communication requirements*
- *Part 3: Tool requirements*
- *Part 4: Additional communication line with bidirectional communication*
- *Part 5: Additional communication line with pulse width modulated signal*

NOTE Additional parts will be introduced as necessary to take into account requirements not yet covered by the standard.

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## Introduction

ISO 26021 describes a method for the in-vehicle deployment of pyrotechnically activated components (also referred to as pyrotechnic components or pyrotechnic devices) in cars.

Worldwide, nearly all new vehicles are equipped with one or more safety systems. Advanced protection systems using pyrotechnic actuators are becoming more common. All components which contain pyrotechnic substances should be handled in the same way.

Recycling of these vehicles requires a new process which ensures that the deactivation of airbags will be safe and cost-efficient. Based on the harmonization of the on-board diagnostics (OBD) interface, there is an opportunity to use this interface for on-board deployment, utilizing the same tools and processes.

The representatives of the global automobile industry have decided the following:

- automobile manufacturers do not support reuse as an appropriate treatment method for pyrotechnic devices;
- automobile manufacturers believe treatment of pyrotechnic devices is required before shredding;
- automobile manufacturers support in-vehicle deployment as the preferred method.

Based on this decision, the four major automobile manufacturer associations (ACEA, Alliance, JAMA and KAMA) started to develop a method for the in-vehicle deployment of pyrotechnic components in cars with the pyrotechnic device deployment tool (PDT). The vision is that, one day, a dismantler will need only one tool without any accessories in order to deploy all the pyrotechnic devices inside an end-of-life vehicle (ELV). The target is to use an existing interface to the car.

This part of ISO 26021 is applicable to the in-vehicle deployment of pyrotechnic devices in vehicles. It defines communication methods to be implemented by a pyrotechnic control unit (PCU) to allow the PDT to successfully establish and maintain communication with the PCUs in the vehicle to deploy all of the pyrotechnic devices sequentially.