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This fourth edition cancels and replaces the third edition (ISO 3779:1983), which has been technically revised.

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## Introduction

In the course of revising this International Standard, the following significant modifications have been made with respect to the previous edition:

- the separate clauses “Scope” and “Field of application” have been combined into a single Clause 1, and the subsequent clauses have been renumbered accordingly;
- the definition of **manufacturer** (3.5) has been revised in accordance with the state of the art;
- the content of 4.3 [“Vehicle descriptor section (VDS)”] has been clarified;
- Table 1 (“Characters used for designating the year”) has been amended.