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This third edition cancels and replaces the second edition (ISO 4172:1991), which has been technically revised.

The main changes are as follows:

- update of normative references;
- provision of wider levels of drawings;
- replacement of the term “location drawings” by “general arrangement drawings”.

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This document sets out the requirements for representing prefabricated structures with assembly drawings. Prefabricated structures are components that are more likely to be considered as products comprising assemblies, rather than traditional components.

The purpose of this document is to aid with the following aspects:

- defining the drawing types and their hierarchy clearly;
- providing the technical rules within each type of drawing;
- giving guidelines for the application of representation techniques.

Those who draw prefabricated structures are encouraged to think about the methods they use to collect, demonstrate and disseminate product information to all stakeholders, including designers, engineers, manufacturers and contractors. Product information supports stakeholders to recognize product definitions, relations and other requirements identified within the life cycle. It is recognized that the drawing of products, using common lines, symbols and other graphic representations, aids in the organization of the information on the basis of concepts and relationships. Therefore, this document is intended to be adopted in coordination with ISO 7519 and other applicable standards.

ISO 7519 provides a method for organizing presentation approaches for a building, system, assembly, component or part, therefore providing comprehensive information hierarchically. Such a delivery method is advanced to regularize the flow of information within the supply chain. It does this by specifying a clear scope for requirements or specific objects using building information modelling (BIM) or other computer-aided design and drafting (CAD) applications, thereby enhancing the effectiveness of the processes involved by presenting unambiguous and sufficient data.

This document establishes the rules for prefabricated structures following the principles in ISO 7519 while maintaining symbolic representation applicable in the built environment sector. International Standards relating to technical product documentation developed by ISO/TC 10, as well as BIM International Standards developed by ISO/TC 59/SC 13, are considered helpful in adopting this document.

The figures included in this document are intended to illustrate the text and provide examples of the related technical drawing specification. These figures are not fully dimensioned and toleranced, showing only the relevant general principles. In all figures, the leader lines using an arrow and text ending with “type” and numbers indicate the line types used for the representations. They are not elements that are presented in a construction drawing.