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Introduction

This International Standard is one of a series of standards describing the parameters for identification cards and the use of such cards for international interchange.

This International Standard addresses the structure and data content of financial transaction cards.