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## Introduction

This document is a geometrical product specification (GPS) standard and is to be regarded as a general GPS standard (see ISO 14638). It influences the chain link F of the chains of standards on profile and areal surface texture.

The ISO/GPS matrix model given in ISO 14638 gives an overview of the ISO/GPS system of which this document is a part. The fundamental rules of ISO/GPS given in ISO 8015 apply to this document and the default decision rules given in ISO 14253-1 apply to the specifications made in accordance with this document, unless otherwise indicated.

For more detailed information of the relation of this document to other standards and the GPS matrix model, see [Annex C](#).

The x3p format was in use in industry and academia before the creation of this document. The x3p file format as defined in this document has been developed based on the definitions in ISO 5436-2. The openGPS®<sup>1)</sup> consortium provides a free open source software implementation of this file format to avoid the inevitable inconsistency of multiple proprietary implementations.

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# Geometrical product specifications (GPS) — Surface texture: Areal —

## Part 72: XML file format x3p

### 1 Scope

This document defines the XML file format x3p for storage and exchange of topography and profile data.

### 2 Normative references

The following document is referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of its content constitutes requirements of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

ISO 25178-600<sup>2)</sup>, *Geometrical product specifications (GPS) — Surface texture: Areal — Part 600: Metrological characteristics for areal-topography measuring methods*

### 3 Terms and definitions

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#### 3.1 zip-container

file format that can be used as a container for multiple files and folders that does also support a compression of the stored content

Note 1 to entry: The file format description is in the public domain<sup>[1]</sup>.

#### 3.2 md5

method to calculate a unique 16-byte binary checksum used to check the integrity of files

Note 1 to entry: The binary value is typically represented by 32 hexadecimal digits.

Note 2 to entry: See Reference <sup>[2]</sup>.

#### 3.3 int16

2-byte representation of a signed integer

Note 1 to entry: The int16 type has a minimum value of -32 768 and a maximum value of 32 767.

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