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ISO/IEEE 11073 standards enable communication between medical devices and external computer systems. This document uses the optimized framework created in IEEE Std 11073-20601^a and describes a specific, interoperable communication approach for weighing scales. These standards align with, and draw on the existing clinically focused standards to provide support for communication of data from clinical or personal health devices.

^a Information on normative references can be found in Clause 2.

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1. Overview

1.1 Scope

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1.2 Purpose

This standard addresses a need for an openly defined, independent standard for controlling information exchange to and from personal health devices and compute engines (e.g., cell phones, personal computers, personal health appliances, and set top boxes). Interoperability is the key to growing the potential market for these devices and to enabling people to be better informed participants in the management of their health.

1.3 Context

See IEEE Std 11073-20601™ for an overview of the environment within which this standard is written.¹

This document, IEEE Std 11073-10415, defines the device specialization for the weighing scale, being a specific agent type, and it provides a description of the device concepts, its capabilities, and its implementation according to this standard.

This standard is based on IEEE Std 11073-20601, which in turn draws information from both ISO/IEEE 11073-10201:2004 [B7] and ISO/IEEE 11073-20101:2004 [B8].² The medical device encoding rules (MDER) used within this standard are fully described in IEEE Std 11073-20601.

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