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**Information processing — Data interchange on 90 mm (3.5 in) flexible disk cartridges using modified frequency modulation recording at 7 958 ftprad on 80 tracks on each side —**

**Part 1 :**  
**Dimensional, physical and magnetic characteristics**

*Traitement de l'information — Échange de données sur cartouches à disquette de 90 mm (3,5 in) utilisant un enregistrement à modulation de fréquence modifiée (MFM) à 7 958 ftprad sur 80 pistes sur chaque face —*

*Partie 1 : Caractéristiques dimensionnelles, physiques et magnétiques*

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## Foreword

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International Standard ISO 8860-1 was prepared by Technical Committee ISO/TC 97, *Information processing systems*.

Users should note that all International Standards undergo revision from time to time and that any reference made herein to any other International Standard implies its latest edition, unless otherwise stated.

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# Information processing — Data interchange on 90 mm (3.5 in) flexible disk cartridges using modified frequency modulation recording at 7 958 ftprad on 80 tracks on each side —

## Part 1 : Dimensional, physical and magnetic characteristics

### 0 Introduction

ISO 8860 specifies the characteristics of 90 mm (3.5 in) flexible disk cartridges recorded at 7 958 ftprad using modified frequency modulation (MFM) recording on 80 tracks on each side.

ISO 8860-2 specifies the track layout, the track format and the characteristics of the recorded signals.

ISO 8860-1 and ISO 8860-2, together with the labelling scheme specified in ISO 9293, provide for full data interchange between data processing systems.

### 1 Scope and field of application

This part of ISO 8860 specifies the dimensional, physical and magnetic characteristics of the cartridge, so as to provide physical interchangeability between data processing systems.

NOTE — Numeric values in the SI and/or Imperial measurements system in this part of ISO 8860 may have been rounded off and therefore are consistent with, but not exactly equal to, each other. Either system may be used, but the two should be neither intermixed nor reconverted. The original design was made using SI units.

### 2 Conformance

A 90 mm (3.5 in) flexible disk cartridge shall be in conformance with this part of ISO 8860 if it meets all mandatory requirements contained herein.

### 3 References

ISO 683-13, *Heat-treated steels, alloy steels and free-cutting steels* —  
*Part 13 : Wrought stainless steels.*

ISO 8860-2, *Information processing — Data interchange on 90 mm (3.5 in) flexible disk cartridges using modified frequency modulation recording at 7 958 ftprad on 80 tracks on each side* —  
*Part 2 : Track format.*

ISO 9293, *Information processing — Volume and file structure of flexible disk cartridges for information interchange.*