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**Identification cards—Identification of  
issuers**

**Part 3: Australian national numbering  
system and registration procedures**



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## PREFACE

This Standard was prepared by the Standards Australia Committee IT-005, Financial Transaction Systems, to provide an Australian national numbering system for the identification of issuers of identification cards.

*This Standard incorporates Amendment No. 1 (August 2007). The changes required by the Amendment are indicated in the text by a marginal bar and amendment number against the clause, note, table, figure or part thereof affected.*

The establishment of a national register of Australian Issuer Identification Numbers (IINs) will prevent unnecessary duplication of the international register, maximize the life of the international numbering system and provide a better service to Australian card issuers and users. Standards Australia processes all applications from within Australia for international and national IINs.

The term ‘normative’ has been used in this Standard to define the application of the annex to which it applies. A ‘normative’ annex is an integral part of a Standard.

This Standard forms part of the AS 3523 series of Standards titled, *Identification cards—Identification of issuers*. Parts in this series are as follows:

- Part 1: Numbering system
- Part 2: Application and registration procedures
- Part 3: Australian national numbering system and registration procedures (this Standard)

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## STANDARDS AUSTRALIA

### **Australian Standard** **Identification cards—Identification of issuers**

#### **Part 3: Australian national numbering system and registration procedures**

#### **1 SCOPE**

This Standard provides a national numbering system and specifies the operating, application and registration procedures to be used to obtain issuer identification numbers for identification cards designed for use within Australia. A national numbering system meets unique requirements of card issuers that do not issue cards for use in international interchange.

This Standard also specifies the appeal process that a rejected applicant may follow.

#### **2 REFERENCED DOCUMENTS**

The following documents are referred to in this Standard:

AS

2632 Codes for the representation of names of countries and their subdivisions

2632.1 Part 1: Country codes

3523 Identification cards—Identification of issuers

3523.1 Part 1: Numbering system

#### **3 DEFINITIONS**

For the purpose of this Standard the definitions given in AS 3523.1 apply.

#### **4 NUMBERING SYSTEM**

##### **4.1 General**

The identification number on identification cards, as illustrated in Figure 1, shall be composed of the following five components:

- (a) Major industry identifier '9'.
- (b) Country code '036'.
- (c) Issuer identifier.
- (d) Individual account identification.
- (e) Check digit.

The identification number shall not exceed 19 digits.

NOTE: Only the individual account identification is variable in length.