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# Introduction

The purpose of this document is to provide complementary details to the “IPC Master File specification” used as reference document and to its related XML Schemas:

* ipc\_fixed\_texts\_3-1.xsd
  + inc-types\_3-1.xsd

It describes the structure and content of the International Patent Classification (IPC) Fixed Texts file.

It uses, wherever possible, reference to International standards, in particular WIPO ST.8.

The format of this file is XML i.e. primarily an exchange format aiming at easy interface between IT systems of different types and infrastructure independent.

# General description

See brief content description, time dependency and file naming convention in the IPC master file specification document.

This file is language dependent.

As opposed to the content of other master files, the content of the fixed Text file is not authored in the IPC revision management system (IPCRMS) but maintained through an editor.

The purpose of fixed texts is to ease consistency in the naming of IPC related objects e.g. in the user interface and to facilitate national translations of the IPC publications based on WIPO internet publication platform (IPCPUB).

# Scope of the Fixed Texts file

## Definition of scope

Fixed Texts for the IPC are intended to provide in a consistent way, complementary information to the contents of others IPC master files.

The Fixed Texts are provided in a form of a sequence of independent Text elements, each of which contains a single fixed text.

# Content of the file

The Fixed Texts file is a list of text in one language. Each text is uniquely identified by a character string (usually made of significant names separated by underscore characters).

This identifier (see id attribute below) is used to align various translations of a fixed texts files.

## IPCFixedTexts element

This is the root element of the Fixed Texts file.

### *edition* attribute

The IPC Version associated to this file, indicates the date of entry into force of the corresponding IPC version.

Value: see description of “IPC Version” in “IPC Master File Specification”.

### *lang* attribute

The language code of the fixed text elements.

Value: see description of “IPC data language code” in “IPC Master File Specification”.

## *text* element

This element contains the fixed text. Its content is made of Unicode characters.

### *id* attribute

The identifier of the fixed text. This value must be unique in the file.

# Sample

## English

<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>

<**IPCFixedTexts edition="20160101" lang="EN"** xmlns="http://www.wipo.int/classifications/ipc/masterfiles" xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance" version="1.1" xsi:schemaLocation="http://www.wipo.int/classifications/ipc/masterfiles ipc\_fixed\_texts\_3-0.xsd">

<**text id="IPC"**>IPC</**text**>

<**text id="ipcpub\_disclaimer"**>International Patent Classification (IPC) Official Publication</**text**>

</**IPCFixedTexts**>

## French

<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>

<**IPCFixedTexts edition="20160101" lang="FR"** xmlns="http://www.wipo.int/classifications/ipc/masterfiles" xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance" xsi:schemaLocation="http://www.wipo.int/classifications/ipc/masterfiles ipc\_fixed\_texts\_3-0.xsd">

<**text id="IPC"**>CIB</**text**>

<**text id="ipcpub\_disclaimer"**>Classification Internationale des Brevets (CIB) Publication Officielle</**text**>

</**IPCFixedTexts**>

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