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EN 9125:2025 (E)**Introduction**

This document specifies the requirements for the effective control of non-deliverable software utilized in the design, production, evaluation, test, acceptance, or calibration of a deliverable product. This document supersedes the aerospace recommended practice, SAE ARP9005, *Aerospace Guidance for Non-Deliverable Software*, published in June 2005.

This document standardizes, to the greatest extent possible, the non-deliverable software requirements for the Aviation, Space, and Defence industry. The establishment of common requirements for use at all levels of the supply chain by organizations around the world is intended to result in improved quality, schedule, and cost performance by the reduction or elimination of organization unique requirements and wider application of good practices.

Applicability of this document should be based on the context of organization, business, operations and product development. Other standards may be required for higher quality assurance and safety criticality levels as appropriate. The organization should identify applicable non-deliverable software based on the impact to the deliverable products and services.

In this document, the following verbal forms are used:

- “shall” indicates a requirement;
- “should” indicates a recommendation;
- “may” indicates a permission;
- “can” indicates a possibility or a capability.

Information marked as “NOTE” is for guidance in understanding or clarifying the associated requirement, and “e.g.” indicates suggestions given for guidance.¹

See Annex A for a list of acronyms applicable to this document.

¹ Notes to entry used in definitions, however, are considered normative and will provide additional information that supplements the terminological data such as statements, instructions, recommendations or requirements relating to the use of a term.

1 Scope

This document specifies the requirements for the effective control of non-deliverable software. This document can be used during the design, development, test, production, release, use, maintenance, and retirement of non-deliverable software. This can include non-deliverable software procured from external suppliers and utilized in the design, production, evaluation, test, acceptance, or calibration of a deliverable product.

This document focuses solely on the unique requirements of the operational processes that pertain to non-deliverable software as identified below.

This document applies to non-deliverable software (including firmware) that affects a deliverable product or service. Following are several applications and supporting examples of non-deliverable software that is within the scope of this document:

- design and development: modelling, simulation, virtual reality, virtual machine, computer-aided design (CAD), three-dimensional (3D) modelling and analysis tools, software compiler, and code generators;
- manufacturing: additive manufacturing, computer numerical controlled (CNC) programs, robotics, factory automation, tools that load deliverable software, software used in special process (e.g. heat treat, shot peen, sonic wall inspection), and automated manufacturing software (i.e. pick and place);
- verification, validation and maintenance: coordinate measuring machine (CMM) programs, hardware or software qualification, code coverage, test scripts, analysis tools, acceptance test, production acceptance, calibration (inspection, test or calibration), simulator, emulator, and software used in post-delivery service provisions.

The following types of software are not within scope of this document:

- deliverable software (refer to EN 9115);
- manufacturing and measuring equipment embedded software (e.g. operating system, drivers);
- enterprise or office software (e.g. MS Office, word processing or spreadsheet applications, Teams, network software, email, employee management system).

Operational processes not covered in this document are addressed by the respective organization's quality management system (QMS), based on the EN 9100-series (i.e. EN 9100, EN 9110, EN 9120) and/or ISO 9001 standards.

2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their 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 9000, *Quality management systems — Fundamentals and vocabulary*

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