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Introduction

The rapid increase in demand for electronic flash equipment has resulted in the enormous production of an unlimited number of types of electronic photoflash equipment, and the lack of International Standards for connectors between the flash unit and the synchro-cord to camera shutters has resulted in the proliferation of new designs of connectors which has continued to grow at an alarming rate. In 1973, ISO/TC 42 decided to develop a standard for the above object.

The aim of this International Standard is to minimize the faulty connection of plugs by amateur photographers and also to reduce the number of types of connectors used for electronic flash equipment.