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Foreword

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1.Structure and Drafting Rules of Standardization Documents". Drafting. This document replaces GB/T 26816-2011 "Core Metadata of Information Resources". Compared with

GB/T 26816-2011, except for structural adjustments... Aside from editorial changes, the main technical changes are as follows:

---The definition of "information resources" has been changed (see 3.1, 2011 version 3.1);

---Change "Attributes of metadata" to "Metadata description methods" (see Chapter 4, Chapter 4 of the 2011 edition);

---Change "core metadata" to "core metadata model" (see Chapter 5, Chapter 5 of the 2011 edition);

---The overview of the core metadata has been removed (see 5.1 in the 2011 version);

---The composition of the core metadata has been changed (see 5.2, 2011 version 5.2);

---Added metadata entities such as "Basic Information", "Provider Information", "Open Attribute Information", and "Modification Information" along with their corresponding descriptions. Contents (see

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1 Scope

GB/T 26816-2025 is the Chinese national standard covering the minimum set of fields that describes any information resource - the identifier, title, creator and date, the subject and coverage, the rights and the format, defined so that catalogues built by different bodies can be searched together. Issued on 31 October 2025, it has been in force since 1 February

2026, replacing GB/T 26816-2011.

This document specifies the description method, core metadata model, core metadata description, and core metadata of information resources. Extended requirements. This document applies to the cataloging, archiving, database creation, collection, processing, application, ownership confirmation, circulation, and transaction of information resources.

2 Normative references

The contents of the following documents, through normative references within the text, constitute essential provisions of this document. Dated citations are not included. For references to documents, only the version corresponding to that date applies to this document; for undated references, the latest version (including all amendments) applies. This document.

GB/T 4880.1 Language Name Codes Part 1.2-Letter Codes

GB/T 7408.1 Representation for the Interchange of Date and Time Information - Part

3 Terms and Definitions

The terms and definitions defined in GB/T 18391.1 and GB/T 19710.1, as well as the following terms and definitions, apply to this document.

3.1 Information resource Information content generated in various fields such as politics, economics, society, culture, and ecology, possessing diverse carrier forms and development and utilization value. General term.

3.2 metadata Data that defines and describes other data. [Source: GB/T 18391.1-2009, 3.2.16]

3.3 metadata element Independent units of metadata. Note

1.Metadata elements are unique within a metadata class. Note