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Foreword

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1.Structure and Drafting Rules of Standardization Documents". Drafting. Please note that some content in this document may involve patents. The issuing organization of this document assumes no responsibility for identifying patents. This document was proposed

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1 Scope

GB/T 46867-2025 is the Chinese national standard covering how a naming scheme for a new district, development zone or road network is drawn up - the survey of existing names, the system of specifics and generics, the avoidance of duplication and confusion, and the consultation and approval before the names go on the map. First edition, under the Ministry of Civil Affairs, with the generic name vocabulary GB/T 46866-2025. It was issued on 31 December 2025 and has been in force since 1 April 2026, as a first edition. The document is under the responsibility of the Ministry of Civil Affairs. This page is published from the official record of the 2025 edition; the clause text of a standard this recent is not yet in circulation, and the figures, limits and tables it contains are those of the document itself, delivered in full with the English translation.

This document defines the terminology and definitions used in the compilation of place name schemes, and establishes the stages, technical points, and content and format of the compilation process. And the submission process. This document applies to the compilation of place name schemes for various geographical entities within the administrative region of each locality.

2 Normative references

This document has no normative references.

3 Terms and Definitions

The following terms and definitions apply to this document.

3.1 geographical namesgeographicalnames The proprietary names assigned to each geographic entity.

Note. Place names consist of two parts. a proper noun and a generic noun. [Source: GB/T 38210-2019, 2.1, with modifications]

3.2 Specific term Words used in place names to distinguish different geographical entities. [Source: GB/T 38210-2019, 2.2, with modifications]

3.3 common namegenericterm Words used in place names to distinguish categories of geographical entities. [Source: GB/T 38210-2019, 2.3, with modifications]

3.4 In accordance with relevant national policies, regulations, and place name standardization requirements, for geographical entities without names, creative, derivational, borrowing, and association methods are adopted. The process of naming using methods such as appellation. Example

1. Creatively name the river "Jade Belt River" and "Willow Oriole River" based on its shape and beautiful ecological imagery. Example

2. New place names "Hucun Street" and "Luohe Wetland Park" are derived from the main place names "Hucun" and "Luohe". Example 3. "Ganquan Road" is named after "Yujing Ganquan", one of the eight scenic spots of Rongcheng, and "Le'an Street" is named after "Le'anli", an old neighborhood. Example

4. Take one character from each of the settlement names "Bailong Village" and "Santai Town" to name it "Longtai Road". [Source: GB/T 38210-2019, 11.8, with modifications]

3.5 The overall design and operation of a place name management and service system that focuses on place name naming and coordinates the setting of place name signs and the protection of place name culture. arrange.