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1 Introduction

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2 Terminology

This section defines terminology used throughout this document.

2.1 Conformance Terminology

Capitalized terms, such as **MUST**, **MUST NOT**, **REQUIRED**, **SHOULD**, **SHOULD NOT**, **MAY**, **NEED NOT**, **OPTIONAL**, and **PROHIBITED**, have special meaning relating to conformance as defined in RFC 2119 [rfc2119] and [rfc2911] section 12.1. If an implementation supports the extension defined in this document, then these terms apply; otherwise, they do not. These terms define conformance to *this document (and [rfc2911]) only*; they do not affect conformance to other documents, unless explicitly stated otherwise. To be more specific:

REQUIRED (REQ) - an adjective used to indicate that a conforming PDF/is Producer or Consumer's implementation **MUST** support the indicated operation, object, attribute, or attribute value. See [rfc2911] "Appendix A - Terminology for a definition of "support".

RECOMMENDED (REC) - an adjective used to indicate that a conforming PDF/is Producer or Consumer's implementation **SHOULD** support the indicated operation, object, attribute, or attribute value.

OPTIONAL (OPT) - an adjective used to indicate that a conforming PDF/is Producer or Consumer's implementation **MAY** support the indicated operation, object, attribute, or attribute value.

PROHIBITED (PROH) - an adjective used to indicate that a conforming PDF/is Producer or Consumer's implementation **MUST NOT** support the indicated operation, object, attribute, or attribute value.

AS SPECIFIED – is used to indicate that a conforming PDF/is Producer or Render implementation **MUST**, **MAY**, or **MUST NOT** support the indicated operation, object, attribute, or attribute value as is defined in the indicated specification.

OR – a conjunction that specifies a logical 'or', implying that a choice of one or more of the choices specified.

2.2 Other Terminology

The following terms are introduced and capitalized in order to indicate their specific meaning:

Implement – The specified feature is present in the Document.

Support – A Producer has the capability of Implementing the feature specified, or the Consumer has the capability of understanding and acting on the Implementation.

Document – The PDF/is-formatted electronic representation of a set of one or more pages that the Sender sends to the Receiver.

Consumer – This is the agent (software, hardware or some combination) that converts the Document into a displayed or printed form.

Producer – This is the agent (software, hardware or some combination) that creates the Document.

Forward-Reference – In indirect object reference (See [pdf] Section 3.2.9) or a Resource Name (See Section 4.10) that refers to an object that appears later in the Document.

Cache – Consumer's storage, either memory, disk, or the like, to hold Document data as it's received from the Producer.

Page-Relative Objects – Objects that are indirectly referenced (See [pdf] Section 3.2.9) by either a 'Page' Dictionary or through a chain of object references that start with a reference from a 'Page' Dictionary.

Discarded – An adjective that describes a PDF object. An object is 'Discarded' when the Consumer no longer has access to the data within the object in question.

Object Size – The number of bytes required to represent an object in the Document. The size is calculated by subtracting the offset of the first byte of the line following the "endobj" of the object in question, from the offset of the first byte of the *object number* (See [pdf] Section 3.2.9).

Imaging Area – For the Producer, the Imaging Area of a page is the area specified by the Page Dictionary's 'MediaBox'. The Producer should use the actual area images from the source media for the 'MediaBox'. This would be the size of the input media for an edge-to-edge scan, for example. For the Consumer, the Imaging Area is an area on the output media that will contain all of the page's image content (the "inking" area). The Consumer usually uses the output media's printable area as the Imaging Area but may constrain it further to match the Producer's Imaging Area.

Scaled Page – When the Consumer's Imaging Area does not match the Producer's Imaging Area within 1/72 of an inch in either height OR width, the page is considered to be a Scaled Page.

Horizontal Scaling Factor – The Horizontal Scaling Factor is equal to the Consumer's Imaging Area width divided by the Producer's Imaging Area width, but MUST be 1.0 for a non-Scaled Page.

Vertical Scaling Factor – The Vertical Scaling Factor is equal to the Consumer's Imaging Area height divided by the Producer's Imaging Area height, but MUST be 1.0 for a non-Scaled Page.

Originator Identifier – An Image XObject that indicates information about the originator of the Document. See the protocol spec referencing this specification for details on what the 'Originator Identifier' MUST contain.

Nearest-Neighbor Interpolation – A two-dimensional interpolation of pixel values in which the amplitude of the interpolated sample is the amplitude of its nearest neighbor.

Bilinear Interpolation – A two-dimensional linear interpolation of pixel values based on the four pixels in a 2 x 2 pixel neighborhood.

Bicubic Interpolation – A two-dimensional cubic interpolation of pixel values based on the 16 pixels in a 4 x 4 pixel neighborhood.

3 PDF Document Requirements

The following table specifies the required (REQ), prohibited (PROH), and optionally (OPT) Supported PDF objects/filters for a Producer and Consumer to be considered compliant with this specification. Requirements for a specific object/filter to be considered Supported can be found in the 'PDF Object Requirements' section of this specification.

Table 3-1: PDF Object Requirements

PDF Object/Filter	Producer	Consumer	Reference
'ASCIHexDecode' Filter	PROH	PROH	[pdf] Section (3.3.1)
'ASCII85Decode' Filter	PROH	PROH	[pdf] Section (3.3.2)
'LZWDecode' Filter	PROH	PROH	[pdf] Section (3.3.3)
'RunLengthDecode' Filter	PROH	PROH	[pdf] Section (3.3.4)
Incremental Updates	PROH	PROH	[pdf] Section (3.4.5)
Functions	PROH	PROH	[pdf] Section (3.9)
File specification	PROH	PROH	[pdf] Section (3.10)
Graphics State Parameter Dictionaries	PROH	PROH	[pdf] Section (4.3.4)
Path objects	PROH	PROH	[pdf] Section (4.4)
'DeviceGray' Color Space	PROH	PROH	[pdf] Section (4.5.3)
'DeviceRGB' Color Space	PROH	PROH	[pdf] Section (4.5.3)
'DeviceCMYK' Color Space	PROH	PROH	[pdf] Section (4.5.3)
Pattern Color Space	PROH	PROH	[pdf] Section (4.5.5)
Separation Color Space	PROH	PROH	[pdf] Section (4.5.5)
DeviceN Color Space	PROH	PROH	[pdf] Section (4.5.5)
Pattern Objects	PROH	PROH	[pdf] Section (4.6)
Inline Image Objects	PROH	PROH	[pdf] Section (4.8.6)
Form Xobjects	PROH	PROH	[pdf] Section (4.9)
Postscript Xobjects	PROH	PROH	[pdf] Section (4.10)
Font Objects	OPT	OPT	[pdf] Section (5)
Transparency	PROH	PROH	[pdf] Section (7)
Name Tree	PROH	PROH	[pdf] Section (3.8.4)
Number Tree	PROH	PROH	[pdf] Section (3.8.5)
'FlateDecode' Filter	OPT	REQ	[pdf] Section (3.3.3)
'CCITTFaxDecode' Filter	REQ	REQ	[pdf] Section (3.3.5)
File Header	REQ	REQ	[pdf] Section (3.4.1)
Cross-Reference Table	REQ	REQ	[pdf] Section (3.4.3)
File Trailer	REQ	REQ	[pdf] Section (3.4.4)
Document Catalog	REQ	REQ	[pdf] Section (3.6.1)
Page Tree Nodes	REQ	REQ	[pdf] Section (3.6.2)
Page Dictionary	REQ	REQ	[pdf] Section (3.6.2)
Content Streams	REQ	REQ	[pdf] Section (3.7.1)
Resource Dictionaries	REQ	REQ	[pdf] Section (3.7.2)
Image XObjects	REQ	REQ	[pdf] Section (4.7)
'JBIG2Decode' Filter	OPT	REQ	[pdf] Section (3.3.6)

‘DCTDecode’ Filter	OPT	REQ	[pdf] Section (3.3.7)
Encryption Dictionary	PROH	PROH	[pdf] Section (3.5)
‘DeviceGray’ Color Space	PROH	PROH	[pdf] pg. 182, See “ICCBased Color Space” section of this specification.
‘DeviceRGB’ Color Space	PROH	PROH	[pdf] pg. 184, See “ICCBased Color Space” section of this specification.
‘Lab’ Color Space	PROH	PROH	[pdf] pg. 187
‘ICCBased’ Color Space	REQ	OPT, See ‘ICCBased Color Space’ Section.	[pdf] pg. 189
‘Indexed’ Color Space	OPT	REQ	[pdf] pg. 199
Masked Images	OPT	REQ	[pdf] Section (4.8.5)
Interactive Form Dictionary and Annotation Field Dictionary and Signature Dictionary (Security Profile <DIG-SIG>)	OPT	OPT	[pdf] Section (8.6.1-3) [pdf-ppk] Section (2)
Cached Objects	REQ	REQ	Section 3.4
Banding	OPT	REQ	Section 3.3.11.3
Document Information Dictionary	OPT	OPT	[pdf] Section 9.2.1

3.1 File Layout (Informative)

Given that a Document is fully compliant with this specification, the Document will, nominally, have the following layout:

Table 3-2: File Layout

	Object
A	‘PDF/is’ Dictionary .
B	Page Dictionary for page ‘n’
C	Content Stream ‘a’ for page ‘n’
D	Image XObject ‘x’ for page ‘n’, stream ‘a’
E	Color Space for image ‘x’ (cached), if not already loaded
F	Image Mask for image ‘x’, stream ‘a’, page ‘n’, if image is masked
G	[Repeat D-F for next Image ‘x+1’, stream ‘a’, page ‘n’, if present]
H	[Repeat C-G for next stream ‘a+1’ on page ‘n’, if present]
I	Content Stream Array for page ‘n’ (See Page Dictionary)
J	Resource Dictionary for page ‘n’.
K	[Repeat B-J for next page ‘n+1’, if present]
L	Document Catalog
M	Page Tree Node(s)
N	Interactive Form Dictionary (If digitally signed)
O	Annotation Field Dictionary (If digitally signed)
P	Signature Dictionary (If digitally signed)
Q	Cross-Reference Table (See [pdf] Section 3.4.3)
R	File Trailer

4 PDF Object Requirements

The following sub-sections describe the object field values of the REQUIRED and OPTIONAL PDF objects in PDF/is. The numbers in '()'s refer to section numbers in the PDF Specifications [pdf], unless otherwise noted. 'AS SPECIFIED' refers to the PDF Specification [pdf] unless otherwise noted.

All 'Required' and 'Optional' fields of a Document object (either specified here or referred to as 'Required' or 'Optional' in [pdf] or [pdf-ppk]) MUST be Supported if the object in question is to be considered 'Supported by the Consumer'. This rule does not apply if the definition of an object specifically states the requirements for the Consumer.

Support for all 'Required' fields of a Document object (either specified here or referred to as 'Required' in [pdf] or [pdf-ppk]) is REQUIRED if the object in question is to be considered 'Supported by the Producer'. Support for all 'Optional' fields of a Document object is OPTIONAL for the Producer. This rule does not apply if the definition of an object specifically states the requirements for the Producer.

4.1 'PDF/is' Dictionary

The 'PDF/is' Dictionary is a new Dictionary object that is REQUIRED for a PDF/is document.

The existence of this dictionary object is the one and only way to determine if the PDF in question is a PDF/is Document. The references in this object to items referred to in the Document Trailer are necessary to satisfy 'Producer Requirement' #6, see Section 4.1.

Table 4-1: PDF/is Dictionary

Field	Type	Specification
'Type'	Name	MUST have a value of '/Fis_PDFis'.
'Fis_Version'	Number	REQUIRED: A Real number of the format MAJ_VER.MIN_VER . (See below)
'Info'	Dictionary	MUST have same value as 'Info' field in the 'Document Trailer'. See [pdf] Table 3.12 for specification.
'ID'	Array	MUST have same value as 'ID' field in the 'Document Trailer'. See [pdf] Table 3.12 for specification.
'Fis_NextPage'	Dictionary	REQUIRED: MUST be an Indirect Object Reference to the first 'Page Dictionary' .
'Fis_DSig'	Dictionary	OPTIONAL: MUST be an Indirect Object Reference to the 'Signature Dictionary' , if present.
'Fis_OrigID'	Dictionary	OPTIONAL: MUST be an Indirect Object Reference to the 'Originator Identifier' Image XObject, if present.
'Fis_Duplex'	Boolean	REQUIRED: MUST be 'false' unless the Document is known to be duplex and all odd numbered pages precede all even numbered pages (1, 3, 5, ..., n*2 - 1, 2, 4, 6, ..., n*2) – note that the last page (n*2) is optional since the Document may have an odd number of pages. See 'Page Ordering' .

See [pdf] Section 3.2.5 for definition of an 'Array Object'. See [pdf] Section 3.2.2 for definition of a 'Numeric Object'.

4.1.1 Fis_PDFis Key

4.1.1.1 MAJ_VER:

The 'major' version number of this PDF/is specification to which the Producer conforms to at the time the Document was created. The 'major' version of this specification is currently '1'.

4.1.1.2 MIN_VER:

The 'minor' version number of this PDF/Is specification to which the Producer conforms to at the time the Document was created. The 'minor' version of this specification is currently '0'.

4.1.1.3 Example

An example of the PDF/Is Dictionary for an encrypted, digitally signed, Document that needs a 4 Megabyte cache might look like this:

```

1 0 obj
<<
    /Type /Fis_PDFIs
    /Fis_Version 1.0
    /Encrypt 2 0 R
    /Root 3 0 R
    /Info 4 0 R
    /ID [<8c41995c6e014675e850d36e6c2f6114><8c41995c6e014675e850d36e6c2f6114>]
    /Fis_NextPage 5 0 R
    /Fis_DSig 6 0 R
>>
endobj
    
```

4.2 PDF/Is Format Identification

To refer to this version of the PDF/Is specification from another specification, the string "PDF/Is-1.0" should be used.

4.3 'CCITTFaxDecode' Filter

See [pdf] Section 3.3.5, [t.4], and [t.6]. Note that only 'Group 4' images are Supported by PDF/Is, see 'K', below.

Table 4-2: CCITTFaxDecode Filter

Field	Specification
'K'	MUST have a value of -1.
'EndOfLine'	AS SPECIFIED
'EncodedByteAlign'	AS SPECIFIED
'Columns'	AS SPECIFIED
'Rows'	AS SPECIFIED
'EndOfBlock'	AS SPECIFIED
'BlackIs1'	AS SPECIFIED
'DamagedRowsBeforeError'	AS SPECIFIED

4.4 'JBIG2Decode' Filter

See [pdf] Section 3.3.6, [jbig2], and [t.89].

Table 4-3: JBIG2Decode Filter

Field	Specification
<All Details>	AS SPECIFIED, except as noted below.

- Consumers MUST support **Profile 1** (0x00000101 BASE), **Profile 2** (0x00000102 Upper Huffman), **Profile 3** (0x00000103 Lower Arithmetic) and **Profile 4** (0x00000104 Medium lossy/lossless arithmetic) as defined in [t.89]. Support for JBIG2 is OPTIONAL for the Producer. The Producer MUST NOT Implement any profile other than one of the four specified, above.
- All Consumers MUST support at least “Level 2” Memory (See [t.89], Table 1, Item 18).
- The Producer MUST adhere to the Function and Memory constraints as specified in [t.89].

4.5 ‘DCTDecode’ Filter

See [pdf] Section 3.3.7, [ps-jpeg], [ps], and [jpeg].

PDF/1a supports both the JPEG Baseline DCT and Extended sequential DCT compressed image formats.

Table 4-4: DCTDecode Filter

Field	Specification
<All Details>	AS SPECIFIED, except as noted below.

- Images MUST NOT be encoded using ‘Progressive JPEG’.
- Images MUST have either 1 or 3 color components.
- All 3 component images (RGB, or YUV) MUST have their component data ‘interleaved’. See [jpeg] Section 4.8.1.
- YUV encoding (See [pdf] pg. 60) is the RECOMMENDED encoding for image data. Rationale: Separation of luminance and chrominance information can facilitate greater image compression and simplifies the process of converting color image data to grayscale for Consumers that do not support color.
- The Consumer MUST adhere to the Memory requirements specified in Section 11 “RAM Requirements” of [ps-jpeg] for the Consumers Supported image resolution(s).

4.6 ‘FlateDecode’ Filter

See [pdf] Section 3.3.3.

‘Flate’ encoding MUST NOT be used to compress image data. ‘Flate’ MAY only be used to compress non-image stream data, such as ‘[ICCBased Color Space](#)’ data, ‘[Indexed Color Space](#)’ data, and ‘[Content Stream](#)’ data.

See [pdf] Table 3.7:

Table 4-5: FlateDecode Filter

Field	Specification
<All Fields>	PROHIBITED.

4.7 File Trailer

See [pdf] Table 3.12.

Table 4-6: File Trailer

Field	Specification
'Size'	AS SPECIFIED
'Prev'	PROHIBITED
'Root'	AS SPECIFIED
'Encrypt'	PROHIBITED
'Info'	OPTIONAL.
'ID'	REQUIRED. MUST use a pseudo-random number in place of 'File Size' when generating this value. See [pdf] Section 9.3 for guidelines on how to generate this value. Rationale: Using a random number in place of file size is due to the requirements of using this field in generating the encryption key for the 'standard encryption' algorithm ([pdf] Step 5 of Algorithm 3.2, pg. 78): file size will not be known at the time this field is needed. Support for 'standard encryption' may be added to a future version of this specification.

4.8 Document Catalog

See [pdf] Table 3.16.

It should be noted that Page Attributes MUST NOT be Inherited (See [pdf] pg. 91) due to the nature of the ordering of the objects in this format. Rationale: Since the parent object (a Page Tree Node) of a Page Dictionary will not appear in the Document until after the page, streaming of the data for a page that has an inherited attribute would not be possible.

Table 4-7: Document Catalog

Field	Specification
'Type'	AS SPECIFIED
'Version'	AS SPECIFIED
'Pages'	AS SPECIFIED
'PageLabels'	PROHIBITED
'Names'	PROHIBITED.
'Dests'	PROHIBITED.
'ViewerPreferences'	OPTIONAL for both Producer and Consumer.
'PageLayout'	OPTIONAL for both Producer and Consumer.
'PageMode'	OPTIONAL for both Producer and Consumer.
'Outlines'	PROHIBITED.
'Threads'	PROHIBITED.
'OpenAction'	PROHIBITED.
'AA'	PROHIBITED.
'URI'	PROHIBITED.
'AcroForm'	REQ if <DIG-SIG>, PROH otherwise. MUST point to a Interactive Form Dictionary
'Metadata'	AS SPECIFIED.
'StructTreeRoot'	PROHIBITED.
'MarkInfo'	AS SPECIFIED., See below.
'Lang'	PROHIBITED.
'SpiderInfo'	PROHIBITED.

'OutputIntents'	PROHIBITED.
'Fis_header'	MUST be an indirect object reference to the 'PDF/is Dictionary'.

4.9 Page Tree Nodes

See [pdf] Table 3.17.

Table 4-8: Page Tree Nodes

Field	Specification
'Type'	AS SPECIFIED
'Parent'	AS SPECIFIED
'Kids'	AS SPECIFIED
'Count'	AS SPECIFIED
<All 'Page Dictionary' Fields, see [pdf] Table 3.18>	PROHIBITED

If the Producer of a Document knows that the Document is being generated in some non sequential order, this fact SHOULD be conveyed by reordering the 'Kids' objects from the order in which they appear in the Document. Rationale: If the Producing device were scanning the pages of a duplexed document by scanning the fronts of all pages first (as an example), reordering the 'Kids' objects in this way would allow a Consumer that has random access to the Document (i.e. does not need to stream the data) the ability to display the pages in the proper order. If reordering is to be accomplished, the Page Dictionary of the front and back of the same page must have the same 'Parent' (Page Tree Node) entry in order to facilitate reorder, since all 'Kids' of a particular Page Tree Node have sequential page numbers.

4.10 Page Dictionary

See [pdf] Table 3.18.

Table 4-9: Page Dictionary

Field	Specification
'Type'	AS SPECIFIED
'Parent'	AS SPECIFIED
'LastModified'	AS SPECIFIED
'Resources'	MUST NOT be inherited, otherwise AS SPECIFIED.
'MediaBox'	MUST NOT be inherited, otherwise AS SPECIFIED.
'CropBox'	PROHIBITED: Same as 'MediaBox'.
'BleedBox'	PROHIBITED.
'TrimBox'	PROHIBITED.
'ArtBox'	PROHIBITED.
'BoxColorInfo'	PROHIBITED.
'Contents'	REQUIRED: MUST be an Indirect Object Reference to an Array Object that contains Indirect Object References to all Content Streams on the page. The Array Object MUST be placed immediately before the Resource Dictionary for the page.
'Rotate'	MUST NOT be inherited
'Group'	PROHIBITED.
'Thumb'	PROHIBITED.
'B'	PROHIBITED.
'Dur'	PROHIBITED.

'Trans'	PROHIBITED.
'Annots'	PROHIBITED.
'AA'	PROHIBITED.
'Metadata'	AS SPECIFIED.
'PieceInfo'	AS SPECIFIED.
'StructParents'	PROHIBITED.
'ID'	PROHIBITED.
'PZ'	OPTIONAL for both Producer and Consumer.
'SeparationInfo'	PROHIBITED.
'Fis_NextPage'	REQUIRED: An Indirect Object Reference to either: the next 'Page Dictionary'; or, if this is the last page in the Document, to the Document Catalog '.
'Fis_Duplex'	OPTIONAL: A 'boolean' object that defaults to 'false' and MUST be 'false' unless 'Fis_Duplex' in the 'PDF/is Dictionary' is 'true' and this is the first even numbered page in the Document.
'Fis_NextCS'	REQUIRED: MUST be an Indirect Object Reference to the first Content Stream on the page.

4.10.1 Page Ordering

The Producer SHOULD order the pages in the Document sequentially from 1 to 'n'. For example, if the original document is duplex, the Producer SHOULD attempt to place the content from the back of page 1 (page 2) immediately after the content from page 1. This is preferable to placing content from all page fronts (odd number pages) followed by the content from all page backs (even numbered pages).

If the Producer chooses not to follow this page ordering guideline, the Producer MUST place all of the page fronts in the Document before all of the page backs – all odd numbered pages MUST precede all even numbered pages. In addition, the Producer MUST indicate this fact by specifying '/Fis_Duplex true' boolean object in the PDF/is Dictionary. The point at which the pages are flipped MUST be indicated by placing the '/Fis_Duplex true' boolean object in the Page Dictionary of the first even numbered page.

4.11 Content Streams

See [pdf] Table 3.4.

Table 4-10: Content Streams

Field	Specification
'Length'	REQUIRED: MUST not be an Indirect Object Reference.
'Filter'	PROHIBITED.
'DecodeParms'	PROHIBITED.
'F'	PROHIBITED.
'FFilter'	PROHIBITED.
'FDecodeParms'	PROHIBITED.
'Fis_NextCS'	REQUIRED: MUST be an Indirect Object Reference to the next Content Stream for the current page or the 'Resource Dictionary' if this is the last Content Stream on the page.

The dictionary mapping of Resource Names to indirect object numbers used in the Content Streams and Resource Dictionary MUST follow the following rule:

All Resource Names (See [pdf] Section 3.7.2) MUST have their indirect object ID's as the trailing part of the Resource Name. Resource Names MUST NOT have any digits (0-9) anywhere else in their name. Names MUST start with a letter. Consumers SHOULD use this convention to avoid having to cache the entire page in order to gain access to the Resource Dictionary at the end of the page data. For example, a page with two images that are overlapping and masked, might look like this:

```

3 0 obj %Page dictionary for page 1
<<
  /Type /Page
  /Resources 4 0 R
  /Contents 5 0 R
  ...
>>
endobj

6 0 obj      %Content for page 1
<</Length 45>>
stream
  ...
  /Im7 Do      % Image object at object number 7
  /Im8 Do      % Image object at object number 8
  /Fis_NextCS 4 0 R %Points to Res. Dict. - only one CS.
endstream
endobj

7 0 R
<<
  /Type /XObject
  /Colorspace /Cs9  % Color space at object number 9.
  ...
>>
stream
...
endstream
endobj

10 0 R
<<
  /Type /XObject
  /Mask 8 0 R
  /Colorspace /Cs7
  ...
>>
stream
...
endstream
endobj

7 0 obj      %Color Space
<</Length 3450>>
stream
...
endstream
endobj

8 0 obj      %Mask for image object 10.
...
endobj

5 0 obj
[6 0 R]      %Array of Content Streams.
endobj

4 0 obj      %Resources for page 1
<<
  /XObject << /Im9 9 0 R
              /Im10 10 0 R >>
  /ColorSpace << /Cs7 7 0 R >>
>>
endobj

```


//Page 2 would begin here...

Rationale: Since Indirect Object References from within Resource Dictionaries are prohibited (See [pdf] Section 3.7.2) we need a way to refer to these objects without requiring full buffering of a page. By requiring the objects to be written this way, the Consumer can process the Content Stream(s) and their associated Images and Color Spaces without requiring the Resource Dictionary. The Resource Dictionary must be written at the end of the page since it must refer to all objects that were used on the page.

See [pdf] Table 4.1:

Table 4-11: Content Stream Operators

Operators	Specification	Reference
q	AS SPECIFIED	[pdf] Table 4.7
Q	AS SPECIFIED	[pdf] Table 4.7
cm	MUST be [Sx 0 0 Sy Tx Ty], See Below	[pdf] Table 4.7
Do	AS SPECIFIED	[pdf] Table 4.34
DP	PROHIBITED except for 'Banding operator' and 'Cache operator', see below	[pdf] Table 9.8
BX	AS SPECIFIED	[pdf] Table 3.20
EX	AS SPECIFIED	[pdf] Table 3.20
BT	AS SPECIFIED	[pdf] Table 5.4
ET	AS SPECIFIED	[pdf] Table 5.4
'	AS SPECIFIED	[pdf] Table 5.6
"	AS SPECIFIED	[pdf] Table 5.4
T*	AS SPECIFIED	[pdf] Table 5.5
Tc	AS SPECIFIED	[pdf] Table 5.2
Td	AS SPECIFIED	[pdf] Table 5.5
TD	AS SPECIFIED	[pdf] Table 5.5
Tf	AS SPECIFIED, also see Font Objects	[pdf] Table 5.2
Tj	AS SPECIFIED	[pdf] Table 5.6
TL	AS SPECIFIED	[pdf] Table 5.2
Tm	AS SPECIFIED	[pdf] Table 5.5
Tr	REQUIRED, and MUST be '3'	[pdf] Table 5.2
Ts	AS SPECIFIED	[pdf] Table 5.2
Tw	AS SPECIFIED	[pdf] Table 5.2
Tz	AS SPECIFIED	[pdf] Table 5.2
<All other Operators>	PROHIBITED	[pdf] Table A.1

Support for text operators (all operators beginning with the letter 'T', as well as the BT, ET, ', and " operators) are OPTIONAL for both the Producer and the Consumer. If text operators are found in a Document, the Consumer MAY ignore them as they do not affect the rendering of the page content since all text MUST be 'invisible' (Text Mode (Tr) == 3).

4.11.1 'cm' Operator:

See [pdf] Table 4.7 for definition of 'cm' operator. Note that all coordinates in PDF/Is are in the 'default user space' (See [pdf] pg. 138).

Given:

Wi = Width (X-direction) of the Image in inches.

Hi = Height (Y-direction) of the Image in inches.

X_i = Horizontal translation, in inches, from the left edge of the page to the left edge of the image.

Y_i = Vertical translation, in inches, from the bottom edge of the page to the bottom of the image.

The Producer MUST ensure that the following is true:

$$S_x = W_i * 72$$

$$S_y = H_i * 72$$

$$T_x = X_i * 72$$

$$T_y = Y_i * 72$$

4.11.2 'Do' Operator:

See [pdf] Table 4.34 for definition of 'Do' operator.

Image Resolution Calculations

Given:

Img = The 'Image XObject' associated with the 'Do' operator.

Cm = The current 'cm' operation in effect for 'Img'.

Wp = 'Width' field of 'Img'.

Hp = 'Height' field of 'Img'.

Sx = 'Sx' value of 'Cm'.

Sy = 'Sy' value of 'Cm'.

The following must be assumed by the Producer and the Consumer:

$(W_p * 72 / S_x)$ = The resolution, in the X-direction, of 'Img', in dots per inch.

$(H_p * 72 / S_y)$ = The resolution, in the Y-direction, of 'Img', in dots per inch.

4.11.3 'DP' Operators:

See [pdf] Table 9.8 for a definition of the 'DP' Operator.

Only the 'Marked Content' flags 'Banding Operator' and the 'Cache operator' are permitted in PDF/Is, all other flags are PROHIBITED.

4.11.3.1 'Banding' Operator:

Banding facilitates the creation of a complex series of images on a PDF/Is page to a Consumer that may be memory constrained and unable to otherwise display the page. If the Producer of the Document is able to determine that the current page's image layering (or "masking") will violate the [cache memory](#) constraints of the Consumer; the Consumer MUST break up the current page into non-overlapping regions to be displayed ('Banding') or free up resources using the 'Cache Operator' (see below). Banding is specified in one of the [content streams](#) of the page.

All images or masks in the content stream in a particular 'Band' do not overlay, and are not overlaid by, any images or masks in any other 'Band'.

To indicate that a new 'Band' is beginning, the content stream MUST contain the following operator syntax, exactly as shown:

/Fis_band<</Fis_band [Y]>> DP

Where:

Y: A 'Real Numeric Object' (See [pdf] Section 3.2.2) of the minimum Y-coordinate value that this band will contain.

And:

All coordinate values are in the 'default user space' (See [pdf] pg. 138) coordinate system (0,0 is lower left), at 72 units per inch, relative to the Page Dictionary's 'MediaBox'.

- Bands may only progress from top to bottom (highest to lowest Y coordinate).
- The last Band on the page MUST not have a Banding operator since the close of the Content Stream will indicate that the last band is to be rendered.
- The extent of an image within a particular Band MUST meet the following requirements:
 - Its top edge MUST have a y-coordinate value less than the **Y** value of the previous Band.
 - Its bottom edge MUST have a y-coordinate greater than, or equal to the **Y** value of the current Band, or '0' if this is the last band.

See the following examples to help illustrate this feature.

For the examples, below:

N: [Y]

Where 'N' is the order in which the band appears in the Content Stream.

'Y' is the 'Y' value of the Band operator.

Example #1: an 8.5" X 11" page (612x792 units), divided into 3 equal sized Bands:

1: [528]
2: [264]
3: (No operator)

Example #2: and 11" X 17" page (792x1224 units), divided into 4 "bands":

1: [918]
2: [612]
3: [306]
4: (No operator)

A 'Band Operator' MAY occur in any Content Stream for that page. If the page has more than one Content Stream it MUST be considered as described in [pdf] page 89, under 'Contents'.

To illustrate what a 'Banded' content stream might look like; here is the content stream for Example #2, above:

```
stream
q
```

```

792 0 0 306 0 1224 cm    % region of first 'band'.  792 units wide, 306
units high,
/Im1 Do                  % Display image in first band.
/Fis_band <</Fis_band [918]>> DP    % 'Band Operator'
Q
q
792 0 0 306 0 918 cm    % Display image in second band.
/Im2 Do                  % Display image in second band.
/Fis_band <</Fis_band [612]>> DP
Q
q
792 0 0 306 0 612 cm    % Display image in third band.
/Im3 Do                  % Display image in third band.
/Fis_band <</Fis_band [306]>> DP
Q
q
792 0 0 306 0 306 cm    % Display image in last band.
/Im4 Do
endstream

```

4.11.3.2 'Cache' Operator:

The 'Cache Operator' allows the Producer of the Document to specify that certain 'cached' objects (See '[Cached Objects](#)' section in this specification) may be released from the cache at a certain point in the content stream. See 'Cache Release' section in this document for use of this operation. This operation would allow a Consumer to Discard specified objects to free resources for image operations. This operator has the following syntax:

```

/Fis_cache <</Fis_cache [OBJECTS]>> DP

```

Where 'OBJECTS' is an array of object ID references. For example:

```

/Fis_cache <</Fis_cache [23 0 R 34 0 R]>> DP

```

...will release objects 23 and 34 from the cache.

4.12 Resource Dictionaries

See [pdf] Table 3.21.

The Resource Dictionary MUST reference all Image XObjects and ColorSpaces that are used on the current page. The position of the image objects, their masks, and color spaces with respect to each other is defined in the Image XObject section of this specification.

The 'Resource Dictionary' MUST be the last object for any given page. This is an indicator to the Consumer that the current page is complete.

Table 4-12: Resource Dictionaries

Field	Specification
'ExtGState'	PROHIBITED.
'ColorSpace'	PROHIBITED.
'Pattern'	PROHIBITED.
'Shading'	PROHIBITED.
'XObject'	AS SPECIFIED.
'Font'	AS SPECIFIED.
'ProcSet'	PROHIBITED.

'Properties'	PROHIBITED.
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4.13 ICCBased Color Space

See [pdf] Table 4.16 & Table 3.4.

Table 4-13: ICCBased Color Space

Field	Specification
'N'	MUST have a value of '3'.
'Alternate'	PROHIBITED, Implies '/DeviceRGB' (See [pdf]).
'Range'	AS SPECIFIED.
'Metadata'	AS SPECIFIED.
'Length'	REQUIRED. MUST NOT be an indirect object reference.
'Filter'	PROHIBITED.
'DecodeParms'	PROHIBITED.
'F'	PROHIBITED.
'FFilter'	PROHIBITED.
'FDecodeParms'	PROHIBITED.

The following rules MUST be adhered to:

- All color image data MUST be 'sRGB' color data (See [srgb]). Color images MUST use the 'sRGB' standard ICC profile [srgb-icc].
- The [srgb-icc] profile MUST be Implemented in the Document, unmodified.
- The profile MUST be Implemented after its first reference (See [Producer Conformance Requirement #6](#)) and SHOULD be cached (See [Cached Objects](#)) for further references.

Since the color image data meets the 'sRGB' specification, the Consumer has the following two options:

- 1** Tune the output device to use 'sRGB' image data. This would allow the Consumer to avoid having to implement a full ICC profile engine. The image data would be used directly which could greatly simplify the image data processing.
- 2** Support ICC profiles. In this case, the Consumer does not need to know that the image data conforms to 'sRGB'; instead, the Consumer can process the data using an entirely ICC based color management approach (See [icc]). This method would be the choice for the Consumer that supports the full PDF specification [pdf].

4.14 Indexed Color Space

See [pdf] Page 199.

An Indexed color space MAY be used for grayscale or color images, as necessary.

An Indexed Color Space object MUST take the following form:

[/Indexed *base hival lookup*]

Where:

'base' MUST be an array of the form:

[/ICCBased X]

Where 'X' is an indirect object reference to an ICCBased 'sRGB' color space (See [ICCBased Color Space](#)).

'hival' MUST be as defined on page 200 in [pdf].
 'lookup' MUST be as defined on page 200 in [pdf] but MUST be a stream.

Example:

```

10 0 obj
[/Indexed [/ICCBased 12 0 R] 255 11 0 R]]
endobj

11 0 obj
<</Length 768>>
stream
....%256 color lookup table values in R-G-B order...
endstream
endobj

12 0 obj
%ICCBased 'sRGB' color space
...
    
```

4.15 Image XObjects

See [pdf] Table 4.35 & Table 3.4 for description of the following table.

Table 4-14: Image XObjects

Field	Specification
'Type'	MUST be 'XObject'
'Subtype'	MUST be 'Image'
'Width'	AS SPECIFIED
'Height'	AS SPECIFIED
'ColorSpace'	AS SPECIFIED. Only 'ICCBased' or 'Indexed' color spaces are permitted.
'BitsPerComponent'	AS SPECIFIED
'Intent'	REQUIRED. 'Perceptual' is RECOMMENDED.
'ImageMask'	AS SPECIFIED
'Mask'	AS SPECIFIED, see below.
'SMask'	PROHIBITED.
'Decode'	AS SPECIFIED.
'Interpolate'	AS SPECIFIED. 'False' implies "Nearest-Neighbor Interpolation". 'True' implies 'Bilinear Interpolation' or 'Bicubic Interpolation' at the discretion of the Consumer. The actual method by which these are implemented is not specified.
'Alternates'	PROHIBITED.
'Name'	PROHIBITED.
'StructParent'	PROHIBITED.
'ID'	PROHIBITED.
'OPI'	PROHIBITED.
'Metadata'	AS SPECIFIED.
'Length'	REQUIRED: MAY be an indirect object reference to a numeric object that MUST be the next object in the Document, See below.
'Filter'	REQUIRED: MUST be one of: 'DCTDecode', 'CCITTFaxDecode', or 'JBIG2Decode'. No other filters are allowed.
'DecodeParms'	AS SPECIFIED.

'F'	PROHIBITED.
'FFilter'	PROHIBITED.
'FDecodeParms'	PROHIBITED.

- An 'ImageMask', if indicated in an Image XObject, MUST appear in the Document before the Image XObject that references it.
- All image data, regardless of compress method (Filter), MUST be ordered as specified in Section 4.8.3 and in Figure 4.26 of [pdf], contrary to the 'Note' at the bottom of page 265 of [pdf].
- Grayscale images MUST use an [Indexed Color Space](#).
- If the 'Length' specifier for a stream is an indirect object reference to a numeric object, the Producer MUST place the following comment on the line after the 'endstream' keyword:
 - %ID['ID' field value from 'PDF/is Dictionary']

Using Section 4.1.1.3 as an example, we would have:

```
endstream
%ID[<8c41995c6e014675e850d36e6c2f6114><8c41995c6e014675e850d36e6c2f6114>]
```

Rationale: By placing this 'ID' at the end of the stream object a Consumer does not have to understand the format of the stream in order to find its end. The Consumer can simply search for the 'ID' string to determine where the stream ends. This is mainly useful when the Consumer is reading a newer version of the PDF/is document format that it does not understand.

4.16 Masked Images

See [pdf] Section 4.8.5.

Table 4-15: Masked Images

Field	Specification
<All Fields>	AS SPECIFIED

4.17 Interactive Form Dictionary

See [pdf] Table 8.47.

Table 4-16: Interactive Form Dictionary

Field	Specification
'Fields'	MUST be an Array of indirect object reference(s) to 'Annotation Field Dictionary' (s).
'NeedAppearances'	PROHIBITED
'SigFlags'	MUST be '3'
'CO'	PROHIBITED
'DR'	PROHIBITED
'DA'	PROHIBITED
'Q'	PROHIBITED

4.18 Font Objects

'Font Objects' (See [pdf] Section 5.4) include both 'Font Dictionaries' ([pdf] Table 5.8) and 'Font Descriptors' ([pdf] Table 5.18).

Fonts can be used in PDF/Is Documents only for text searching and extraction capabilities. All text MUST be invisible (See 'Tr' in [Content Streams](#)). As such, support for Font Objects is OPTIONAL for both the Producer and the Consumer. Since text is invisible, the Consumer need not Support Text Operators (in [Content Streams](#)) or Font Objects as they do not affect the rendered output.

Font Objects, if present, MUST follow the following rules:

- Embedded font programs ([pdf] Section 5.8) are PROHIBITED.
- All font 'SubTypes' ([pdf] Table 5.7) except 'TrueType' ([pdf] Section 5.5.2) and 'Type1' ([pdf] Section 5.5.1) are PROHIBITED.
- 'Font Dictionaries' MUST be implemented AS SPECIFIED in [pdf].
- 'Font Descriptors' MUST be Implemented AS SPECIFIED in [pdf].

4.19 Annotation Field Dictionary

See [pdf] Tables 8.10 & 8.49. This dictionary consists of entries from both a 'Annotation Dictionary (Table 8.10) and a 'Field Dictionary' (Table 8.49).

Only Digital Signature Annotations are allowed in PDF/Is.

Table 4-17: Annotation Field Dictionary

Field	Specification
'Type'	MUST be 'Annot'
'Subtype'	MUST be 'Widget'
'Contents'	PROHIBITED.
'P'	PROHIBITED.
'Rect'	MUST be '[0 0 0 0]'
'NM'	PROHIBITED.
'F'	PROHIBITED.
'BS'	PROHIBITED.
'Border'	PROHIBITED.
'AP'	PROHIBITED.
'AS'	PROHIBITED.
'C'	PROHIBITED.
'CA'	PROHIBITED.
'T'	PROHIBITED.
'Popup'	PROHIBITED.
'A'	PROHIBITED.
'AA'	PROHIBITED.
'StructParent'	PROHIBITED.
'FT'	MUST be 'Sig'
'Parent'	PROHIBITED.
'Kids'	PROHIBITED.
'T'	AS SPECIFIED.
'TU'	AS SPECIFIED.
'TM'	PROHIBITED.

'Ff'	MUST be '1'.
'V'	MUST be an indirect object reference to a 'Signature Dictionary' .
'DV'	PROHIBITED.
'AA'	PROHIBITED.

4.20 Signature Dictionary

See [pdf] Table 8.60 and [pdf-ppk] Table 2.

The Digital Signature format MUST only be in the 'Raw Format', see [pdf-ppk] Section 2.2.

Table 4-18: Signature Dictionary

Field	Specification
'Type'	MUST be 'Sig'
'Filter'	AS SPECIFIED.
'SubFilter'	MUST be 'adbe.x509.rsa_sha1'
'Name'	AS SPECIFIED.
'Reason'	AS SPECIFIED.
'Location'	AS SPECIFIED.
'M'	AS SPECIFIED.
'ByteRange'	PROHIBITED (Implies all bytes in the Document with the exclusion of the bytes represented by the value of the 'Cert' field. See [pdf] for this field)
'Contents'	AS SPECIFIED.
'Cert'	AS SPECIFIED.
'R'	AS SPECIFIED.
'V'	AS SPECIFIED.
'ADBE_Build'	AS SPECIFIED.
'ADBE_AuthType'	AS SPECIFIED.
'ADBE_PwdTime'	AS SPECIFIED.

5 Object Lifetime

Some Consumer's may be limited in the amount of storage they may have to cache the Document as it's received from the Producer. This storage limitation may prohibit the Consumer from holding the entire Document before beginning to render the first page. To facilitate this storage constraint, PDF/is has a mechanism of "object lifetime". This mechanism defines how long an object must be held in storage before it is no longer needed.

If a Document can be fully maintained in the Consumer's storage, i.e. the Consumer is a PC or some other device with large quantities of storage; the Document's Cross-Reference table should be used to access objects as they are needed. In this case, the Consumer should follow the parsing model as spelled out in the PDF Reference [pdf].

If a Document cannot be fully maintained within the Consumers storage or if it is uncertain if it will be able to do so, the Document MUST be linearly parsed and the following parsing rules MUST be adhered to:

- Documents MUST be parsed in order, from beginning to end.
- All Consumer's MUST have the ability to cache at least 4 Megabytes (4,194,304 bytes) of PDF/is Document data. This memory is in addition to any memory required for JBIG2 image processing (2 Megabytes, See ['JBIG2Decode'](#) Section) and for raster image buffers on the Consuming device.

At the end of generation of each Dictionary Object (See [pdf] Section 3.2.6), the Producer MUST ensure that 4 Megabyte cache memory limit will not be exceeded when the Consumer reads the Document. If the Producer exceeds the limit as calculated using the formula shown below, the Document is Invalid. If the limit will be exceeded, the Producer MUST either reorganize the current page by using either “Banding”, freeing up some “cached” objects, reducing the use of masked images (or lowering their resolution), or by using some other process in order to avoid breaking the cache buffer limit.

Calculation of the current cache buffer size MUST follow the following formula:

- 1) The current total Document size (in bytes) that has been created up to the point at which this calculation is being made.
- 2) Minus the ‘Object Size’ of all released ‘Cached’ objects (See “[Cached Objects](#)” Section of this specification), up to that point.
- 3) Minus the ‘Object Size’ of all non-cached ‘Page-Relative Objects’ for previous pages, not already accounted for by #2.
- 4) Minus the ‘Object Size’ of all non-cached ‘Image XObjects’ data for any previous ‘Bands’ on the current page; if the page is “[Banded](#)”.
- 5) Minus the ‘Object Size’ of the last ‘Image XObject’ in the current ‘Band’, if the page is “Banded”.
- 6) Minus the ‘Object Size’ of the ‘Image XObject’ for the current page, if the page is not “Banded”.

Rationale: The last two items assume that the Consumer will process image data as it is received and will not need to cache these objects before rendering.

6 Cached Objects

If a ‘Page-Relative’ object MAY be used on more than one page or in more than one ‘Band’, it will be necessary to specify the object as ‘Cached’. This will allow an object to be used throughout the Document that otherwise would be discarded. This caching mechanism only applies to ‘Page-Relative’ ‘Dictionary Objects’; see [pdf] Section 3.2.6.

An object that is held in the Consumers cache by the ‘Cache Hold’ mechanism MUST be maintained in the cache until one of the following conditions is met:

- The ‘[Cache Operator](#)’ is invoked on this object in a page’s [Content Stream](#).
- The ‘[Document Catalog](#)’ is reached.

To specify that a particular object should be ‘cached’, add the following Name Object (See [pdf] Section 3.2.4) to the Dictionary Object (See [pdf] Section 3.2.6) to be cached:

```
/Fis_Cache
```

7 Conformance Requirements

This section specifies the conformance requirements for Consumers and Producers.

7.1 Producer conformance requirements

In order to conform to this specification, a Document Producer:

1. MUST specify the version of PDF (See [pdf] Section 3.4.1) as being ‘PDF 1.4’.
2. MUST place the ‘PDF/is Dictionary’ as the first object in the PDF.

3. MUST NOT include any private 'PDF Name Registry' values/objects (See [pdf] – Appendix E) that affect printed output.
4. MUST place the objects: 'Interactive Form Dictionary', 'Annotation Field Dictionary' and 'Digital Signature' objects as the last three objects (in that order) in the Document, if the Document is Digitally Signed. Note that in a situation where the Consumer cannot cache the entire document before rendering, the detection of a valid or invalid Digital Signature will only occur after rendering of the entire Document.
5. MUST ensure that there is at least one Forward-Reference to each object. The only object that does not have to follow this rule is the '[PDF/is Dictionary](#)'. Rationale: This will aid the Consumer with identifying objects as they are encountered in the data stream.
6. MUST ensure that all objects appear in the PDF AFTER the object in which they are first referenced (Satisfied by Requirement 6) and BEFORE the next 'Page Dictionary' unless the object is a Cached Object (See Section 3.4).
7. MUST ensure that all object identifiers ([pdf] Section 3.2.9) start at the beginning of a line.
8. MUST ensure that all 'endobj' keywords ([pdf] Section 3.2.9) start at the beginning of a line.
9. MUST NOT Linearize the Document. See [pdf] Appendix F.
10. MUST NOT Incrementally Update the Document. See [pdf] Section 3.4.5.
11. MUST only encoded images with resolutions of at least 300 but not more than 1200 dots per inch (dpi). It is RECOMMENDED that the Producer place images in the Document in the images original resolution, i.e. not scaled.
12. MAY include an 'Originator Identifier' image that MUST, if present, be displayed on, at least, the first page. The image MUST be referenced by the 'Fis_OrigID' field in the 'PDF/is Dictionary' and MUST be 'cached' if displayed on more than the first page.
13. MUST end all text lines with a PDF Reference specified 'EOL Marker' (See [pdf] pg. 26).
14. MUST not use multiple, sequential 'EOL Markers' (See [pdf] pg. 26), i.e. there should be no blank lines in the Document.
15. MUST only use either a space or a horizontal tab character as white space ([pdf] Table 3.1).
16. MUST keep white-spaces to a single instance. Runs of multiple white-space characters are PROHIBITED.
17. MUST place the following five characters as the second line in the Document: %âãĩó (Hex values 0x25, 0xE2, 0xE3, 0xCF, 0xD3)
18. MUST separate the 'xfer' keyword from the cross reference subsection header by a single EOL Marker (See [pdf] Section 3.4.3).
19. MUST NOT place any data following the '%EOF' at the end of the Document.
20. MUST NOT place any data between the end of one Dictionary object and the beginning of the next Dictionary object.
21. MUST place an 'EOL Marker' after all 'stream' keywords.
22. MUST place an 'EOL Marker' before all 'endstream' keywords.

23. MUST place an 'EOL Marker' after all 'obj' keywords.
24. MUST place an 'EOL Marker' after all 'endobj' keywords.
25. MUST place all *object numbers*, *generation numbers*, and 'obj' keywords (See [pdf] Section 3.2.9) together on a single line and the individual items are each to be separated by a single white space character.

7.2 Consumer conformance requirements

In order to conform to this specification, a Document Consumer:

1. MUST Support all of the REQUIRED objects.
2. MUST Interpolate images up or down in resolution, as required, to properly match the Document's image resolution(s) to the Consumer's device capabilities.
3. MUST abide by the "Object Lifetime" rules in Section 3.4 if unable to Cache the entire Document.
4. MUST terminate processing of the Document if it is detected that the Document has been incrementally updated (See [pdf] Section 3.4.5) as these Documents are PROHIBITED.
5. MUST have a Horizontal Scaling Factor that is within 0.3% of the Vertical Scaling Factor for any particular page.
6. MUST have all Vertical and Horizontal Scaling Factors within the range of 0.9 and 1.1, inclusive for all pages.
7. MAY display the Originator Identifier where specified in a page's Content Stream.
8. MUST attempt to recover from an invalid Document. Any Document that does not conform to this specification is considered to be 'Invalid'. If a formatting error is encountered in a Document, the Consumer MUST attempt to recover from the error by following the rules shown below.
 - a. If the error was encountered in a stream, the Consumer MUST skip to the end of the stream ignoring all remaining data in the stream.
 - b. If the error was encountered in an object outside of a stream, the Consumer SHOULD skip to the end of the current object, if possible. If not possible, the Consumer MUST skip to the next Page Object.

It should be noted that skipping objects in this way will cause the current page to be invalid. The details of handling invalid pages are outside the scope of this specification. In addition, if some of the skipped objects were 'Cached' additional pages may also be invalid.

8 Issues

- None currently.

9 Sample PDF/is Document

The 'source' of the sample document in this section can be viewed with most text editors ('Wordpad' is a good choice) but should only be modified with a binary editor, as the stream data contained therein is not compatible with text editors. Comments on the format of the documents are contained within the documents themselves.

This sample is a one page document. The page contains a 'CCITTFaxDecode' masked, 'DCTDecode' color foreground image with a 'DCTDecode' gray scale background image.

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15 Appendix A – Intellectual Property

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- 3) The patent holder has not explicitly made the intellectual property freely available as defined in Item 1 under section 9.3 of the PWG Process Document [process].

Patents:

- 1) US Patent, RE35657, Xerox, Buckley et. al.: Means for combining data of different frequencies for a raster output device., Nov. 11, 1997.
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