

Next Generation Networks; Release Definition

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Foreword

This NICC Document (ND) has been produced by NICC.

Introduction

NICC Standards historically adopted a release scheme in order to programme manage the development of access, interconnect and interoperability standards relating to Next Generation Networks (NGNs). Each release consisted of a series of topics, each of which contains associated standards. These standards may be re-used across multiple topics.

Historic versions of ND1610 were termed “purple release” (v1.2.2), “green release” (v2.1.1) and “orange release” (v3.1.3): these can be found in the NICC Standards archive.

More recently NICC Standards has adopted an approach of focussing on particular topics requiring a standardised approach, and developing/publishing individual standards and reports to support interoperable implementations. Nevertheless, there are historic NICC Standards documents which refer to the release definition, which was contained in this document ND1610.

In order that these documents do not reference a void standard, this version of ND1610 describes the version numbering scheme, and provides guidance on the version of referenced documents to be used.

1 Scope

This document defines the standards that shall be applicable for references in NICC Standards documents, where the reference does not provide a specific version number.

2 NICC Specification Version Numbering

NICC specifications are version controlled using the following scheme

Version X.Y.Z

where:-

- X is a number indicating major changes / new version
- Y is a number indicating minor, technical changes
- Z is a number indicating only editorial changes

The first published version of a NICC specification is given the version number v1.1.1.

3 Usage of references

Where references are made in NICC Standards documents to a particular version of a document, then that specific version should be used.

Where references are made in NICC Standards documents without stating a specific version, then the latest version of the referred document should be used.

History

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