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**TERMS, DEFINITIONS, ABBREVIATIONS, SYMBOLS AND  
UNITS FOR CHARGE COUPLED DEVICES**

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**1. SCOPE**

This specification forms part of ESA/ESCC Basic Specification No. 21300 and covers Charge Coupled Devices.

**2. TERMS, DEFINITIONS AND SYMBOL LETTERS**

Symbol	Parameter
A	Pixel Area
$a_i$	Photoresponse Non-Uniformity or Dark Signal Limit for Number of Photoresponse Non-Uniformity or Dark Signal Defects
$C_{\Phi L}, C_{\Phi M}$ $C_{\Phi P}, C_{\Phi R}$	Electrode Capacitance (for Readout Register, Memory Zone, Image Zone and Reset respectively)
$C_{\Phi L_0}, C_{\Phi M_0}$ $C_{\Phi P_0}, C_{\Phi R_0}$	Electrode Capacitance with Respect to Another Clock (for Readout Register, Memory Zone, Image Zone and Reset respectively)
CTE	Charge Transfer Efficiency
CTF	Contrast Transfer Function
CTI	Charge Transfer Inefficiency
CVF	Charge to Voltage Conversion Factor
DSNU	Dark Signal Non-Uniformity
$\Delta U_{Ref}$	Reference Voltage Error Band
$\Delta U_{Signal}$	Signal Voltage Error Band
E	Exposure
EB <sub>1</sub>	Reference Level Error Band
EB <sub>2</sub>	Signal Level Error Band
$\epsilon$	Charge Transfer Inefficiency for One Stage
FI	Image Zone to Memory Zone and Memory Zone to Output Register Frequency
FL	Output Register and Reset Frequency
$\Phi_L$	Readout Register Clock
$\Phi_M$	Memory Zone Clock
$\Phi_P$	Image Zone Clock
$\Phi_{PS}$	Photosite to Shift Register Transfer Clock
$\Phi_R$	Reset Clock
$\Phi_T$	Transport Clock
HCTE	Horizontal Charge Transfer Efficiency
HCTI	Horizontal Charge Transfer Inefficiency
$I_{DD}$	Power Supply Current
$I_E$	Insulation Leakage Current Between Pins (Input Current)
$I_H$	Internal Driver Supply Current
$I_L$	Leakage Current on Input Gates

Symbol	Parameter
$I_{RD}$	Signal Current in Reset Bias Electrode
L	Length of Image Plane
$\lambda$	Wavelength
LE	Linearity Error
MTF	Modulation Transfer Function
$N_{def_i}$	Number of Photoresponse Non-Uniformity or Dark Signal Defects Beyond $a_i$ Limit
NS	Total Smearing Factor
P	Flatness of Image Area
$\rho$	Pixel Pitch
PRNU	Photoresponse Non-Uniformity
QE	Quantum Efficiency
R	Responsivity
$R(B_i)$	Spectral Responsivity in Optical Band $B_i$
SPRNU	Spectral Photoresponse Non-Uniformity
$TD_i$	Timing Diagram i
$t_{D-Reset}$	Reset Level Setting Time
$t_{D-Signal}$	Signal Level Setting Time
$t_f$	Fall Time
$t_h$	High Level Time
$T_i$	Integration/ Exposure Time
TILT	Parallelism between Image Plane and window
$t_l$	Low Level Time
$T_{op}$	Operating Temperature
$t_r$	Rise Time
$T_{ref}$	Reference Temperature
TRIG	Signal for Acquisition Start
$T_{sol}$	Soldering Temperature
$T_{stg}$	Storage Temperature Range
$T_t$	Duration of Vertical Transfer Period
$t_{U-Ref}$	Reference Level Duration
$t_{U-Signal}$	Signal Level Duration
$\tau_c$	Capture Time Constant or Trapping State in a CCD Buried Channel
$\tau_e$	Emission Time Constant of Trapping State in a CCD Buried Channel
$\Theta$	Image Plane Orientation (Skew)
$V_a$	Average Output Signal under Illumination
$V_{ANTIBLOOMING}$	Antiblooming Voltage

Symbol	Parameter
VCTE	Vertical Charge Transfer Efficiency
VCTI	Vertical Charge Transfer Inefficiency
V <sub>DD</sub>	Output Amplifier Drain Supply
V <sub>DS</sub>	Average Dark Signal
V <sub>GS</sub>	Register Output Gate Bias
V <sub>INVERSION</sub>	Inversion Voltage
V <sub>N</sub>	Temporal RMS Noise in Darkness
V <sub>OFFSET</sub>	Offset Voltage
V <sub>OS</sub>	Video Output Signal
V <sub>r</sub>	Reference Voltage for Modulation Calculation
V <sub>RD</sub>	Reset Bias
V <sub>REF</sub>	DC Output Level
V <sub>RESET</sub>	Amplitude of Reset Feedthrough
V <sub>S</sub>	Signal Voltage
V <sub>SAT</sub>	Saturation Output Voltage
V <sub>SS</sub>	Substrate Bias Voltage
V <sub>Video</sub>	Video Voltage
W	Width of Image Plane
WOC	Spectral Range for Optical Coating on Window
WT	Window Thickness
X	Position of First Pixel (Horizontal)
Y	Position of First Pixel (Vertical)
Z	Optical Distance between Image Plane and Window
Z <sub>s</sub>	Output Impedance