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**National standardization: office treatment of names**

**Information on the new map series of Austria**

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## Summary

The recent accession of Austria to the NATO programme entitled “Partnership for Peace” makes it necessary to adapt the reference system, projections, scales and sheet cut of the national map series to international standards. The Federal Office for Metrology and Surveying is therefore changing the national map series in the scales 1:50,000/1:25,000 and 1:200,000 from the former system of the Austrian Land Survey (MGI) to the standardized Universal Transversal Mercator System (UTM). Along with this change, a conversion of the sheet cut of these maps will be carried out. The transition to the international reference system and the new sheet cut will occur gradually, and new map sheets in the UTM system will be issued periodically.

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