

The New C Standard (Excerpted material)

An Economic and Cultural Commentary

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6.11.5 Storage-class specifiers

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The placement of a storage-class specifier other than at the beginning of the declaration specifiers in a declaration is an obsolescent feature. 2039

Commentary

This position has not changed since publication of C90.

Rationale

The practice of placing the storage class specifier other than first in a declaration was branded obsolescent. The Committee felt it desirable to rule out such constructs as

```
enum { aaa, aab,  
      /* etc. */  
      zzy, zzz } typedef a2z;
```

in some future standard.

declaration
specifiers

This issue is also discussed elsewhere.

Other Languages

This restriction is required by the syntax of many programming languages.

References