

Subject: Minor specification change – accessibility of constructor in the presence of private components  
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## 1 Introduction – Specification

The restriction that a derived type constructor is not accessible if any components of the type are private is too strong. It is a holdover from Fortran 95, wherein all of the components were private, or none were.

Make the constructor accessible, even if some components are private, and to prohibit providing a value for any private component. This allows to construct values for types that have private components so long as default initialization is provided for all private components.

## 2 Edits

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