

Glossary

- implicitly movable entity** – one that, as of C++20, will be treated as an *rvalue*, e.g., a variable having automatic storage duration that is either a **nonvolatile** object or an rvalue reference to a **nonvolatile** object. [Rvalue References \(735\)](#)
- in contract** – implies, for a given function invocation, that none of the **preconditions** in the function’s contract are violated. [noexcept Specifier \(1122\)](#)
- in place** – implies, for a given object, its construction directly into a particular memory location, e.g., by **emplacement**, rather than being passed a constructed object and then copying or moving it into place. [Rvalue References \(734\)](#)
- in-process** – implies, for a given **value** (such as an object’s address), that it is meaningful only within the currently running process. [friend '11 \(1034\)](#)
- incomplete type** – one that has been declared but not defined. Note that a **class type** is considered to be incomplete within its own class definition unless it is within a **complete-class context** for that type.
- indeterminate value** – one that cannot be relied upon in *any* way (e.g., not even to *not* change spontaneously); for example, any **nonstatic** object of **scalar type**, such as **int**, that is not explicitly initialized has an indeterminate value, as do any bits within the **footprint** of an object used to ensure **alignment** (a.k.a. *padding*) or to hold a virtual table (or base) pointer. Most uses of an indeterminate value have **undefined behavior**; see Section 2.1. “Generalized PODs '11” on page 401. [Generalized PODs '11 \(435\)](#)
- infallible** – implies, for a given function, that it will never fail to satisfy its **contract** (e.g., due to resource limitations); see **infallible implementation**. [noexcept Specifier \(1118\)](#)
- infallible implementation** – a function definition that can reasonably be expected to satisfy its contract on any relevant platform regardless of the availability of system resources (e.g., heap memory, stack memory, file handles, mutexes). [noexcept Specifier \(1118\)](#)
- inheriting constructors** – the C++11 feature (see Section 2.1. “Inheriting Ctors” on page 535) whereby constructors can be inherited from a base class via **using** directives; each inherited constructor has essentially the same **signature** in the derived class, invokes the relevant base class constructor, and initializes derived-class **data members** in the same way an implicit default constructor would initialize them. [Inheriting Ctors \(538\)](#)
- init capture** – a form of *capture* in a lambda expression, since C++14 (see Section 2.2. “Lambda Captures” on page 986), that specifies an initializer **expression**, essentially adding a new **data member** of deduced type to the closure object; see **captured by copy** and **captured by reference**. [Lambda Captures \(986\)](#)
- inline namespace** – a variant of **namespace**, since C++11 (see Section 3.1. “inline namespace” on page 1055), in which a namespace declared using the **inline** keyword enables name lookup in an enclosing namespace (e.g., via ADL) to find names declared within a nested **inline namespace**, similar to providing a **using (namespace)** directive after the close of a conventionally nested namespace. What’s more, an **inline namespace** enables templates to be specialized from within the enclosing namespace. Note that name conflicts that might arise with an enclosing name are addressed quite differently for an **inline namespace** compared to a conventional one. [inline namespace \(1055\)](#)
- instantiation time** – short for **template instantiation time**. [static_assert \(120\)](#)
- instruction selection** – a form of compiler optimization in which optimal (otherwise equivalent) sets of instructions are selected based on the target platform and other aspects of the context