





# IEEE Standards Editorial Services

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**Standards Development** 

Working Group and Committee information

- Balloting
- Policies and Procedures
- Process-at-a-Glance

Standards Development Flow Chart





#### Role of Staff Liason, Naeem Ahmad

#### Role of Project Editor, Jennifer Longman



#### Common goals

- Reducing time to publication
- Improving communication between IEEE-SA and IEEE committees
- Working smarter and faster



## Staff Liason for ICC

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Your IEEE Standards Staff Liaison is your main point of contact for standards-related information.



# Helps Working Group Initiate Projects

- Sends IEEE Standards Starter Kit to Working Group Chair
- Answers questions on Project Authorization Request (PAR) process
- Reviews PAR in advance of submittal to the New Standards Committee (NESCOM)
- Advises Working Group on structuring groups of related PARs



### Advises Working Group During the Standards Development Process

- Type of standard (standard, recommended practice, guide)
- Project/meeting management
- Patent issues
- Balloting
- Resolution/rebuttal of negative ballots
- Submittal to the IEEE-SA Standards Board



### Keeps You Informed

- Standards Association policy changes
  New services
- New products



### Link to the IEEE-SA Standards Board

- Communicates your concerns, questions, and ideas to appropriate Board committees
- Communicates Board actions and concerns to sponsors and working groups



#### **Contact Information**

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#### **Editorial Services**

- Roll of the Project Editor
- Reducing time to Web and print publication
- Important Web resources



#### Role of the IEEE Standards Project Editor

- Supply style templates/electronic text and figures for revisions
- Offer editorial coordination
- Enable efficient pre-approval editing and swift post-approval publication



#### **IEEE Standards Style Templates**

- Available in
  - Adobe FrameMaker
  - Microsoft Word
- Download from the World Wide Web
  - http://standards.ieee.org/resources



#### **Electronic files for revisions**

- Electronic database of IEEE
   Standards
  - PDF (can cut and paste)
  - SGML used to open files in:
    - Microsoft Word (text formatted minus figures and equations)
    - FrameMaker (fully formatted)
  - Figures (TIF and GIF)



#### A few words about FrameMaker

- Superior publishing software
- Intuitive and easy to use
  - Equation editor
  - Drawing capabilities
  - Auto numbering
  - Easy to use Table of Contents generator
- SGML creation



## What is Editorial Coordination?

- Editorial review of draft
- Comments are returned to Chair
- Approximate date of final ballot is requested from Chair
- Most effective when editorial coordination occurs before ballot!



#### **Editorial Coordination Watchpoints**



#### Be sure to review the following!

- Copyright notices
  - Can be found in *IEEE Standards Style Manual*
- Structure, completeness, and clarity
- References vs Bibliography
- Copyright/trademark issues
- Use of shall, should, may, must, can, warning, caution, etc.
- Use of metric units



## The Review Committee (RevCom)

- Review Committee (RevCom) recommends action to the Standards Board
- Submittal must match information on PAR
- When is a revised PAR necessary?
- Any substantive change, i.e., scope, title, patented material, or change of working group Chair



### **Editorial Scheduling**

- Allows for timely publication
  Managing workflow and workload among project editors
- Ensures that standards will be available when they are most needed



## Pre-approval editing

- Enables publication of standards within days/weeks of approval
- Steps for pre-approval editing
  - Forward draft to Project Editor as soon as it is "stable," i.e., after final ballot
  - Communicate actively with Project Editor



# Post-approval publication

- Electronic text and figures
- List of working group members names and addresses
- Correct spelling of award recipient's name and correct contact information
- Discussion of scheduling



# **IEEE Project Editor**

- Does the final copy edit of text
- Ensures that technical integrity of the document is maintained
- Formats electronic text into proofs
- Committee reviews document
- Corrections/Comments are made
- PUBLICATION OF NEW STANDARD!



- Some particularly helpful resources can be found at:
  - http://standards.ieee.org/resources/index. html#guides
  - IEEE Standards Style Manual, 2000 edition
  - IEEE Standards Style Companion, Updated regularly on the Web



- Process at a Glance http://standards.ieee.org/resources/ glance.html
- IEEE Standards Online
  - http://standards.ieee.org/catalog/olis/ index.html



- IEEE-SA Electronic newsletter
  - Fast-paced electronic news bulletin
  - Features up-to-date, breaking information



#### IEEE-SA Standards Bearer

News from IEEE-SA headquarters

- Messages from IEEE-SA leadership
- Now available on-line as of January 2001
  - http://standards.ieee.org/bearer/
- Will have an "opt-in" feature



# Project Management

- Work with an IEEE Project Editor early on
- Establish the role of the Chair
- Form the Working Group
- Establish the calendar—target dates, meetings, etc.
- Delegate necessary functions (Technical Editor)
- Set goals and deadlines
- Manage your meetings



### Project Management

- Avoid copyright, trademark, and patent obstructions
- Develop an outline
- Assign writing among working group members
- Technical editor gathers inputs and ensures technical consistency
- Avoid writing document in meeting
- Contact the IEEE Project Editor at any time!



#### **Standards Information Network**

- Small publisher within Standards Department
- Produce books, CD-ROMS, etc. that support standards
- Additional resources that make standards more usable and user-friendly
- Uses peer review for quality control
- Contact Jennifer Longman and/or Vvette HoSang for book proposal form



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