

# WHAT IS ANSI?



ANSI is a not-for-profit organization dedicated to supporting the U.S. voluntary standards and conformity assessment system and strengthening its impact both domestically and internationally.

## ANSI DOESN'T WRITE STANDARDS

Instead, we accredit standards developing organizations (SDOs), and those that comply with ANSI's *Essential Requirements* for due process, openness, and consensus may become an ANSI-accredited Standards Developer (ASD).



We also approve specific standards from ASDs as American National Standards.



## EMERGING TECHNOLOGIES

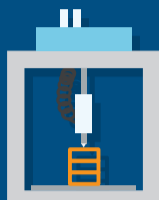
We also coordinate standards development and help facilitate growth and innovation in national priority fields such as:



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## ANSI MEMBERSHIP

Join a distinguished group of companies, organizations, government entities, consumer groups, educational institutions, and other public and private sector innovators who are harnessing the power of standards to position themselves for long-term success.



## INTERNATIONAL STANDARDS DEVELOPMENT

We are the sole U.S. representative to the International Organization for Standardization (ISO) and, via our U.S. National Committee (USNC), the International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC). And we represent U.S. interests in other major global and regional standards and accreditation bodies.



We also participate in capacity-building assistance to developing regions on standards, trade, and good regulatory practices. Recently, this has included topics like non-sewered sanitation systems and clean cookstoves.



## CONFORMITY ASSESSMENT

refers to "checking to make sure standards are actually being followed," and is the vital link between standards and their implementation. Without it, standards are just good ideas.



The ANSI National Accreditation Board (ANAB), a wholly owned subsidiary of ANSI, promotes confidence in the marketplace through its accreditation programs for a wide array of conformity assessment activities conducted by certification bodies, labs, credentialing organizations, and other entities.

## NEED STANDARDS?



We provide access to hundreds of thousands of standards developed by hundreds of individual SDOs through our Webstore.

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## workcred QUALITY CREDENTIALS

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## WHETHER AT HOME OR ABROAD,

ANSI is committed to enhancing the global competitiveness of U.S. business and quality of life by providing a framework for fair standards development and quality conformity assessment systems, and safeguarding their integrity.

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