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What’s New?

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HEADLINES

A summary of this issue’s top stories…

[**2012 Editions of *ANSI Essential Requirements* and *ANSI* *International* *Procedures* Now Available**](https://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?admin=1&articleid=3115&source=whatsnew010912)

ANSI has released the 2012 editions of two key documents: the *ANSI Essential Requirements* and the *ANSI International Procedures*.
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[**ANSI Accredits Manufacturing Skills Standards Council under Personnel Certification Accreditation Program**](https://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?admin=1&articleid=3111&source=whatsnew010912)

ANSI is pleased to announce the accreditation of the Manufacturing Skill Standards Council (MSSC) under the Institute’s Accreditation Program for Personnel Certification Bodies. The initiative boosts the skills, core competencies, and competitiveness of U.S. manufacturing workforce.
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[**Register Today: ANSI Announces Accreditation Workshops through 2012**](https://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?admin=1&articleid=3114&source=whatsnew010912)

Registration is now open for the Institute’s highly esteemed accreditation workshops in 2012. All workshops are led by nationally recognized experts in the field.
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[**Frans Vreeswijk Named Next IEC General Secretary and CEO**](https://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?admin=1&articleid=3112&source=whatsnew010912)

The IEC has announced that Frans Vreeswijk was approved by the IEC Council as the next General Secretary and CEO of the IEC. Mr. Vreeswijk will join the IEC in March and will succeed Ronnie Amit in the position in October 2012.
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[**People on the Move**](https://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?admin=1&articleid=3113&source=whatsnew010912)

*People on the Move* spotlights trailblazers in standardization, highlighting their latest achievements, advancements, and contributions to the standards community. In this issue**: Bob Vondrasek**.

SOCIAL MEDIA

ANSI actively participates in a number of social media websites, making pertinent information about events and initiatives readily accessible and providing a place of discussion for the U.S. standardization community.

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PUBLIC POLICY

*Federal Register* notices of potential interest …

[Standards and Trade Related Notices from the U.S. Federal Register, January 4, 2011 – January 9, 2012](http://publicaa.ansi.org/sites/apdl/Documents/Government%20Affairs/Federal%20Register%20Notices/Standards%20_%20CA%20Notices/2012/01%2009%2012.pdf?&source=whatsnew010912" \o "http://publicaa.ansi.org/sites/apdl/Documents/Government%20Affairs/Federal%20Register%20Notices/Standards%20_%20CA%20Notices/2009/08%2021%202009.doc?&source=whatsnew082409 http://publicaa.ansi.org/sites/apdl/Documents/Government%20Affairs/Federal%20Regist)

[National Cooperative Research and Production Act Notices from the U.S. Federal Register, November 1 – December 27, 2011](http://publicsp.ansi.org:8080/sites/apdl/Documents/Government%20Affairs/Federal%20Register%20Notices/NCRP%20Notices/2011/NCRPNotices%2012-12-11.pdf?&source=whatsnew010912)

PUBLICATIONS

Take advantage of more great information…

[***Standards Action – January 6, 2011***](http://publicaa.ansi.org/sites/apdl/Documents/Standards%20Action/2012_PDFs/SAV4301.pdf?&source=whatsnew010912)The latest issue of ANSI’s key public review vehicle.

[***United States Standards Strategy* (USSS) *– Third Edition***](http://publicaa.ansi.org/sites/apdl/Documents/Standards%20Activities/NSSC/USSS_Third_edition/USSS%202010-sm.pdf?&source=whatsnew010912)
The *United States Standards Strategy* provides a framework that can be used by all interested parties to further advance trade issues, and a vision for the future of the U.S. standards system in today’s globally competitive economy.[***2010-2011 Annual Report***](http://publicaa.ansi.org/sites/apdl/Documents/News%20and%20Publications/Brochures/Annual%20Report%20Archive/ANSI_2010_11_AnnualReport.pdf?&source=whatsnew010912)
This year's annual report, *Standardization – Paving the Road to Innovation*, describes how ANSI and its Federation of members have continued to use the power of collaboration to develop solutions for economic growth, innovation, and global priorities, fortifying the U.S. marketplace position in the global economy through standards-based solutions to national and global priorities.

Check out our other[publications](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/periodicals/overview.aspx?menuid=7&source=whatsnew010912)and[documents of interest](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/other_documents/ther_doc.aspx?menuid=7&source=whatsnew010912).

CALENDAR

Please check the [Events Section](http://www.ansi.org/meetings_events/online_calendar/events.aspx?menuid=8&source=whatsnew010912) of ANSI Online regularly for updated and new event information.

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

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[**New on StandardsLearn.org: Standardization Case Studies**](http://www.standardslearn.org/standardization_case_studies.aspx?&source=whatsnew010912)

From radiation detection to quality drinking water, a wide variety of topics are addressed by these case studies, where standardization – either the concept or actual practice – helped in the resolution of real-world problems. Instructors can use these case studies as a vehicle to stimulate class discussion of standardization in their discipline, along with the economic and/or operational consequences of addressing or not addressing the issues or needs.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

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Openings are frequently available in ANSI’s New York and Washington, DC, offices. For more information or to submit your qualifications, visit the [Career Opportunities Section](http://www.ansi.org/career_opportunities/positions_available/position_available.aspx?menuid=13&source=whatsnew?&source=whatsnew010912) of ANSI Online.

STORE

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Learn more about this issue’s featured package:

[**ISO 4413 / ISO 4414 / ISO 12100 / ISO 13855 - Hydraulic and Pneumatic Fluid Power Safety Package**](http://webstore.ansi.org/RecordDetail.aspx?sku=ISO+4413+%2f+ISO+4414+%2f+ISO+12100+%2f+ISO+13855+-+Hydraulic+and+Pneumatic+Fluid+Power+Safety+Package&source=whatsnew0010912)
This package specifies general rules and safety requirements for hydraulic and pneumatic fluid power systems and components used on machinery. It also provides general safety design principles for risk assessment/reduction and safeguards associated with machinery.

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