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What’s New?

*What’s New?* is a weekly electronic newsletter produced and distributed free of charge to the members and constituents of the American National Standards Institute (ANSI). For a complete listing of ANSI news and events, please visit our website, [ANSI Online](http://www.standardslearn.org/?&source=whatsnew013012). [>>>](http://www.facebook.com/pages/ANSI-American-National-Standards-Institute/46446679081?&source=whatsnew013012)

HEADLINES

A summary of this issue’s top stories…

[**ANSI Announces 2012 Forum and Committee Leadership**](http://www.ansi.org/career_opportunities/positions_available/position_available.aspx?admin=1&articleid=3132&source=whatsnew013012)

ANSI has announced leadership of its member forums, policy committees, and program oversight committees for 2012.

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[**ANSI Accreditation to Support Smart Grid Testing and Certification Framework**](https://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?admin=1&articleid=3130&source=whatsnew013012)

ANSI is playing a key role in the national push for a robust, reliable, and interoperable smart grid for the United States. The Institute has committed to support the implementation of the smart grid testing and certification framework as an internationally recognized accrediting organization.
[more...](http://publicaa.ansi.org/sites/apdl/Documents/Standards%20Action/2012_PDFs/SAV4304.pdf?admin=1&articleid=3130&source=whatsnew013012)

[**Register Today for *The American Way*, ANSI Course on American National Standards**](https://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?admin=1&articleid=3131&source=whatsnew013012)

ANSI is pleased to announce the addition of course 287, *The American Way*, to its 2012 education and training course offerings. To be held on **April 11,** the course takes an in-depth look at the *ANSI Essential Requirements* within the context of the ANS process.
more...

[**Attention ANSI-Accredited U.S. TAGs: 2011 Annual Reports Are Due January 31, 2012**](http://www.ansi.org/education_trainings/overview.aspx?admin=1&articleid=3136&source=whatsnew013012)

ANSI wishes to remind administrators of ANSI-accredited U.S. Technical Advisory Groups (TAGs) to ISO that **2011 TAG Annual Reports are due January 31, 2012**.
[more...](https://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?admin=1&articleid=3136&source=whatsnew013012)

[**REMINDER: February 6 Webinar to Demonstrate Importance of U.S. Participation in International Standards Setting**](http://www.ansi.org/membership/overview/overview.aspx?admin=1&articleid=3135&source=whatsnew013012)

The strategic importance of corporate participation in international standards and conformance activities will be the focus of a free webinar to be hosted on **Monday, February 6**, by the U.S. National Committee of the IEC.
[more...](https://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?admin=1&articleid=3135&source=whatsnew013012)

[**ISO International Workshop on Cookstoves to Be Held February 28-29**](http://www.ansi.org/meetings_events/online_calendar/events.aspx?admin=1&articleid=3134&source=whatsnew013012)

The first ISO International Workshop on cookstove standards will be held **February 28-29** in Amsterdam. Organized jointly by PCIA and the Alliance, with ANSI serving as the secretariat, the workshop marks a first step toward moving the technical work of the standards development into the ISO arena.
[more...](http://webstore.ansi.org/RecordDetail.aspx?admin=1&articleid=3134&source=whatsnew013012)

[**Voluntary Standards Cover the Spectrum: from Collaborative Technologies to Toxic Gas Detectors**](https://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?admin=1&articleid=3129&source=whatsnew013012)

In an effort to communicate the vital role that standards play in daily life, ANSI publishes, on an ongoing basis, a series of snapshots of the diverse standards initiatives undertaken in the global and national standards arena. In this issue: **ARMA’s** collaborative technologies standard and **ISA’s** standard for toxic gas detectors.
[more...](http://webstore.ansi.org/?admin=1&articleid=3129&source=whatsnew013012)

**People on the Move**

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

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 24, 2011 – January 30, 2012](http://publicaa.ansi.org/sites/apdl/Documents/Government%20Affairs/Federal%20Register%20Notices/Standards%20_%20CA%20Notices/2012/01%2030%2012.pdf?&source=whatsnew013012" \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://www.ansi.org/?&source=whatsnew013012)

PUBLICATIONS

Take advantage of more great information…

[***Standards Action* – January 27, 2012**](http://www.ansi.org/?&source=whatsnew012312)The latest issue of ANSI’s key public review vehicle.

[***United States Standards Strategy* (USSS) *– Third Edition***](http://www.youtube.com/user/ansidotorg?&source=whatsnew013012)
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://webstore.ansi.org/?&source=whatsnew013012)
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](https://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&source=whatsnew013012)and[documents of interest](https://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&source=whatsnew013012).

CALENDAR

Please check the [Events Section](http://www.standardslearn.org/standardization_case_studies.aspx?menuid=8&source=whatsnew013012) of ANSI Online regularly for updated and new event information.

[**ANSI Nuclear Energy Standards Coordination Collaborative (NESCC) Meeting**](https://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=8&source=whatsnew012312)March 12, 2012
Gaithersburg, MD

[**ANSI Spring Member Forum Meetings**](https://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?EVENT=MFMTG_0312&source=whatsnew012312)March 20-21, 2012
Arlington, VA

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

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[**New on StandardsLearn.org: Standardization Case Studies**](https://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?&source=whatsnew013012)

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

As a service to our members and constituents in the U.S. standards and conformity assessment community, ANSI provides an [online network](http://www.linkedin.com/groups?menuid=13&source=whatsnew?&source=whatsnew013012) connecting the most progressive companies with the most qualified career-minded individuals.

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](https://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=13&source=whatsnew?&source=whatsnew013012) of ANSI Online.

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This package provides physical and electrical specifications for watch, lithium, and aqueous electrolyte batteries. The package is discounted 15% and includes all parts of the series: IEC 60086-1, IEC 60086-2, IEC 60086-3, IEC 60086-4 and IEC 60086-5.

For information about the inventory of thousands of documents available from the [eStandards Store](http://www.ansi.org/career_opportunities/positions_available/position_available.aspx?&source=whatsnew013012) (eSS), please visit webstore.ansi.org or contact ANSI Customer Service (212.642.4980, [storemanager@ansi.org](http://publicaa.ansi.org/sites/apdl/Documents/Standards%20Activities/NSSC/USSS_Third_edition/USSS%202010-sm.pdf)).

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