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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.ansi.org/?&source=whatsnew082012). [>>>](http://www.ansi.org/?&source=whatsnew081312)

HEADLINES

A summary of this issue’s top stories…

[**OFAC Issues Guidance on U.S. Participation in ISO and IEC Standards Development**](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3335&source=whatsnew082012)

Guidance from the Office of Foreign Assets Control stated that international standards development activities in ISO and IEC do not violate OFAC's sanctions regulations.
[more…](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3335&source=whatsnew082012)

[**ANSI’s Roy Swift Participates in White House Roundtable Event on How IT Credentialing Can Help Job-Seeking Veterans**](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3337&source=whatsnew082012)

The White House held a Roundtable on Military Credentialing and Information Technology on July 16, 2012. Roy Swift, Ph.D., ANSI senior director for personnel credentialing accreditation programs, was invited to participate in the interactive discussion, focused on certifications and credentialing programs that can best serve the needs of both industry and job-seeking veterans.
[more…](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3337&source=whatsnew082012)

[**ANSI Seeks Comments on Proposed New ISO Field of Activity on Biotechnology**](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3333&source=whatsnew082012)

DIN, Germany’s member body to International Organization for Standardization (ISO), has submitted a proposal to ISO for a new field of technical activity on biotechnology. As the U.S. member body to ISO, ANSI invites all interested stakeholders to submit comments on the proposal by Friday, September 21, 2012.
[more…](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3333&source=whatsnew082012)

[**Voluntary Standards Cover the Spectrum: from Golf Cars to Balance and Transaction Reporting**](https://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?admin=1&articleid=3338&source=whatsnew082012)

In an effort to communicate the vital role that standards play in daily life, ANSI publishes snapshots of the diverse standards initiatives undertaken in the global and national standards arena, many of which are performed by ANSI members and ANSI-accredited standards developers.
[more…](https://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?admin=1&articleid=3338&source=whatsnew082012)

**[New Videos Added to Standards Boost Business Gallery](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3334&source=whatsnew082012)**

Two brand new videos have recently been added to the Standards Boost Business website’s video gallery page. The page showcases testimonial videos from corporate and industry leaders speaking about the financial and strategic benefits their companies and organizations have reaped as a result of their participation in standardization.
[more…](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3334&source=whatsnew082012)

[**Did You Know?**](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3336&source=whatsnew082012)

*Did You Know?* offers a quick look at the broad scope of activities underway within the ANSI Federation, highlighting the people and initiatives making waves in standardization.
[more…](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3336&source=whatsnew082012)

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, August 14 – August 20, 2012](http://publicaa.ansi.org/sites/apdl/Documents/Government%20Affairs/Federal%20Register%20Notices/Standards%20_%20CA%20Notices/2012/08%2020%2012.pdf?&source=whatsnew082012)

[National Cooperative Research and Production Act Notices from the U.S. Federal Register, June 9th, 2012 – July 30, 2012](http://publicaa.ansi.org/sites/apdl/Documents/Government%20Affairs/Federal%20Register%20Notices/NCRP%20Notices/2012/NCRPNotices%2007_30_12.pdf?&source=whatsnew082012)

PUBLICATIONS

Take advantage of more great information…

[**Standards Action – August 17, 2012**](http://publicaa.ansi.org/sites/apdl/Documents/Standards%20Action/2012_PDFs/SAV4333.pdf?&source=whatsnew082012)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==whatsnew082012)
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=whatsnew082012)
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=whatsnew082012)and[documents of interest](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/other_documents/other_doc.aspx?menuid=7&source=whatsnew082012).

CALENDAR

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**[ANSI-HSSP Workshop on CBRNE Standards](http://www.ansi.org/meetings_events/events/2012/hssp_workshop0512.aspx?menuid=8&source=whatsnew082012)**September 11, 2012
Arlington, VA

[**ANSI-HSSP Plenary and Workshop on Global Supply Chain Security Standards**](http://www.ansi.org/meetings_events/events/2012/HSSP_workshop_meeting_0912.aspx?menuid=8&source=whatsnew082012)September 12–13, 2012
Washington, DC

[**World Standards Week 2012**](http://www.ansi.org/meetings_events/WSW12/wsw.aspx?menuid=8&source=whatsnew082012)October 9-12, 2012
Washington, DC

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

Please check the [Education and Training](http://www.ansi.org/education_trainings/overview.aspx?menuid=9?&source=whatsnew082012) page of ANSI Online regularly for listings of upcoming courses.

Visit[StandardsLearn.org](http://www.standardslearn.org/?&source=whatsnew082012), the premier online source for standards and conformity assessment education, for easy-to-use educational tools that address the full range of standards activities. All of the courses and resources are free and provided by ANSI as a public service.

[**New on StandardsLearn.org: Standardization Case Studies**](http://www.standardslearn.org/standardization_case_studies.aspx?&source=whatsnew082012)

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.ansi.org/career_opportunities/positions_available/position_available.aspx?menuid=13&source=whatsnew?&source=whatsnew082012) 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](http://www.ansi.org/career_opportunities/positions_available/position_available.aspx?menuid=13&source=whatsnew081312) of ANSI Online.

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[**ANSI Z136.1 and Z136.8 Combination Set**](http://webstore.ansi.org/RecordDetail.aspx?sku=ANSI+Z136.1+and+Z136.8+Combination+Set)

The ANSI Z136.1 and Z136.8 Combination Set provides recommendations for the safe use of lasers and laser systems in research, development and testing.

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