

Proposed revisions to the *ANSI Essential Requirements* (www.ansi.org/essentialrequirements)

4.0 Normative American National Standards Administrative Procedures

This section articulates the administrative and processing requirements associated with the American National Standards process.

The official language of the American National Standards (ANS) process, including all decisions made by ANS Program Oversight Committees, is English. The only version of a standards developer's procedures that are accredited by ANSI, and the only version of a document approved by the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) as an American National Standard (ANS)¹, is the English language version.

4.1 Accreditation of American National Standards Developers

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4.2 Approval of actions in connection with American National Standards

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4.3 Planning, coordination and public notice

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4.4 Designation of American National Standards

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4.5 Publication of American National Standards (ANS)

American National Standards shall be published in English and made available as soon as possible, but no later than six months after approval as an American National Standard. ~~The standards developer shall publish the standard or shall grant the right of publication to ANSI. The ANS mark and the words "an American National Standard" may appear on the English-language version of an ANS only and not on a translation of an ANS.~~

If an American National Standard is not published within six months following its approval, the standards developer may request an extension of this deadline from the BSR or its designee. Such a request shall be in writing, shall supply the reason for the delay, and shall indicate a firm final date for publication. At its discretion, the BSR or its designee may grant an additional period of time for publication. Audited Designators are not required to request an extension, but shall ensure an equivalent publication schedule and maintain documentation related to any publication delays.

The BSR or its designee ~~shall~~ may publish a notice in *Standards Action* of intent to withdraw approval if the standards developer a) fails to publish the standard ~~or fails to grant ANSI the right to publish~~ within six months after its approval as an American National Standard and does not request an extension of the deadline despite follow-up or b) fails to meet the extended deadline.

¹ An ANS that is an identical national adoption of an ISO or IEC standard which has been translated officially by ISO or IEC may carry the ANS mark. A modified national adoption may not.