



# AWWA Utility Management Standards for Wastewater

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#### **Agenda**

- 1. Water utility concerns
- 2. Benefits of implementing AWWA utility management standards
- 3. Properties of an AWWA utility management standard
- 4. AWWA utility management standards for wastewater



### **Water Utility Concerns**

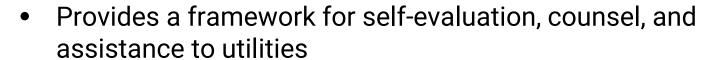


- Heightened regulatory requirements
- Limited technical assistance from regulatory agencies
- Stakeholder interest in proven utility efficiency and effectiveness
- Tightening budgets and needs to reduce costs without risk to quality
- Closer public scrutiny of tap water quality and health issues
- Greater concern about environmental issues
- Do more with less



## Optimization of Utility Operations

- Fosters excellence in water utilities
- Encourages continuous improvement
- Provides confidence to utilities, the public, and regulatory agencies



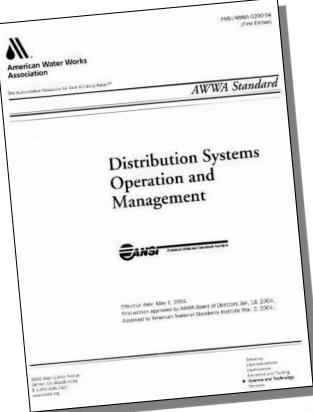
Instills consumers with confidence and satisfaction in their utility services





## Properties of AWWA Utility Management Standards

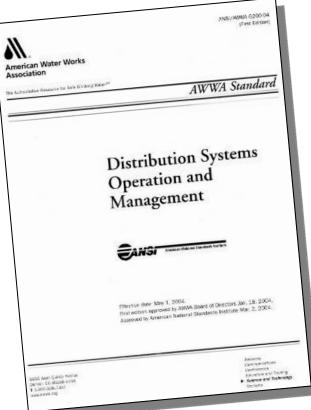
- Designated as "G-series" standards
- Developed by AWWA volunteers: consultants, operators, regulators
- ANSI accredited
- Voluntary standards
- Consistent format
- Guidebooks sometimes available to assist in self-assessment





## Utility Quality Management Overview

- Voluntary effort
- For all utility types and sizes
- Self-assessment by operators
- Performance can be verified by peer evaluators
- Above and beyond regulations
- Results oriented:
  - -- water quality
  - -- public health protection





### **Benefits to the Utility**

"Applying the AWWA utility management standards to our utility operations helps us to manage our utility in a way that guarantees <u>peace of mind</u>."

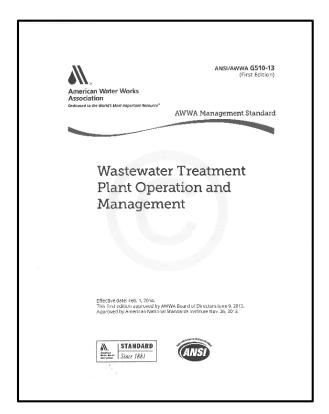
- Assures continuity in performance optimization
- Encourages development of standard operating procedures
- Provides means to keep the institutional knowledge
- Introduces tools to maintain safe performance based on good practices and not just good luck



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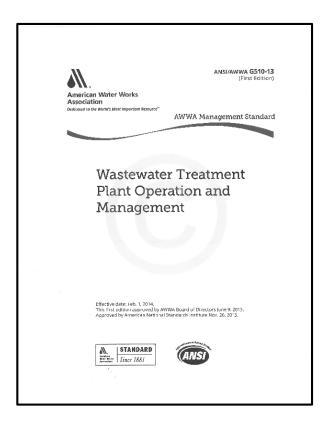
ANSI/AWWA G510-13, Wastewater Treatment Plant Operation and Management

ANSI/AWWA G520-17, Wastewater Collection System Operation and Management





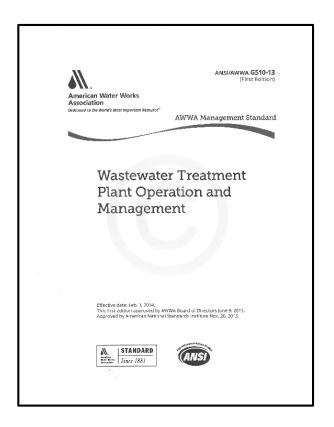
- Introduction
- Background
- History
- Acceptance
- Special Issues
- Advisory Information
- Use of This Standard
- User Options and Alternatives
- Modification to the Standard
- Major Revisions
- Comments





#### **Body of the Standard -**

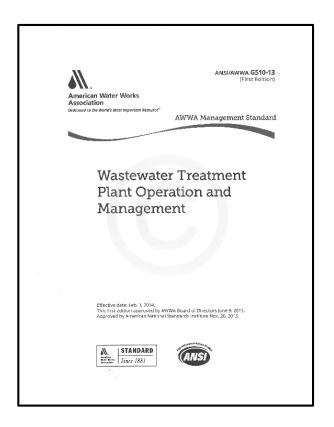
- Scope (1.1)
- Purpose (1.2)
- Application (1.3)
- References (2)
- Definitions (3)
- Requirements (4)
- Verification (5)
- Delivery (6)





#### Requirements (Sec. 4) -

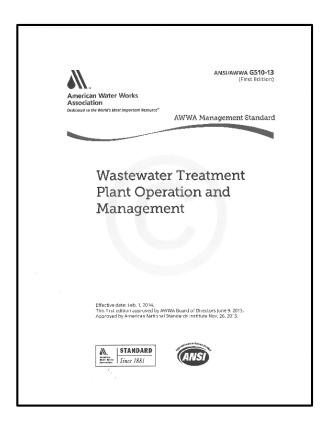
- Compliance with Regulatory Requirements
- Customer Considerations
- Operations Management Practices/Programs
- Real Property Management and Maintenance
- Other specific requirements specific to the standard topic





#### Verification (Sec. 5) -

- Documentation Required
- Examples of Documentation
- Human Resources





### For more information

- American Water Works Association <u>www.awwa.org</u>
- AWWA Wastewater Resource Community <u>www.awwa.org/resources-tools/water-knowledge/wastewater.aspx</u>
- Water Environment Federation www.wef.org



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