



Standards 101



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Standards 101: Joint Committee

- ✓ Consensus body responsible for development and revision of any NSF/ANSI standard
 - DWTU: 42, 44, 53, 55, 58, 62, 177, 244, 330, 401
 - Governed by ANSI requirements
- ✓ Balance of interest categories
 - Industry, public health/regulatory, users, labs/certifiers

Standards 101: JC Membership

- ✓ Recommended maximum of 34 members
- ✓ Submit application for Chair consideration
- ✓ Selection based on applicant's experience and expertise
 - Non-transferable within a company
 - One member per organization
- ✓ Responsibilities
 - Vote on ballots
 - Provide technical guidance
 - Attend JC meetings
 - Participate on task groups as needed

Standards 101: JC Participation

- ✓ Submit an issue paper for current or new standards
- ✓ Submit a public comment on proposals under ballot
- ✓ Provide technical guidance
- ✓ Attend joint committee meetings as observers
- ✓ Participate on task groups

Standards 101: Task Groups

- ✓ Created by JC to address a specific technical issue
- ✓ Consist of subject matter experts in specific issue
 - Chair plus 15 voting members and observers
 - Not governed by ANSI requirements
 - More than one person per company
 - No formal application
- ✓ Provide recommended actions / ballots to the JC

Standards 101: JC Balloting



Substantial agreement reached by directly and materially affected interest categories

Requires that all views and objections be considered, and that an effort be made toward their resolution.

Consensus Requirements

Votes must be returned by a majority (>50%) of members, *including* abstentions

At least 2/3 of returned votes must be affirmative, *excluding* abstentions

Negative votes must be adjudicated

Standards 101: Public Health Council Balloting



The PHC is the NSF advisory body for standards development and program implementation

- Ensures that public health issues are addressed
- Reviews all standards ballots
- Elects its own membership

Consensus Requirements

Votes must be returned by >80% of members, *including* abstentions

At least 90% of returned votes must be affirmative, *excluding* abstentions

Negative votes must be adjudicated