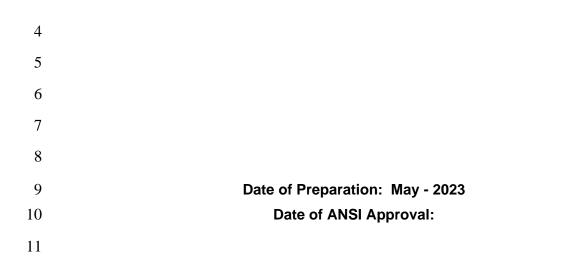
Operating Procedures for American

- 2 National Standards Committee C63®—
- **3 Electromagnetic Compatibility (EMC)**





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35 1. General

36 The procedures included in this document meet the requirements for due process and development 37 of consensus for approval of American National Standards (ANS) as given in the ANSI Essential

38 Requirements: Due process requirements for American National Standards - latest edition.

39 2. Organization of C63

40 The American National Standards Committee C63® Electromagnetic Compatibility (herein 41 referred to as C63) shall consist of its Main Committee, Steering Committee, and Secretariat. C63 42 shall have a title, scope, and an interest classification system for its members, as shown in the 43 following three paragraphs. The Main Committee membership shall be sufficiently diverse to ensure 44 reasonable balance without dominance by a single interest category in accordance with 1.2 and 45 1.3 of the ANSI Essential Requirements (Latest Edition).

3. Scope of American National Standards Committee C63® 46 Electromagnetic Compatibility (EMC) 47

48 Development of definitions, test equipment specifications and methods of measurement of 49 electromagnetic interference (radiated and conducted), levels of unwanted sources, limiting ratio 50 of noise (and/or unwanted sources) to signals and development of procedures for compliance 51 testing, including testing of wireless devices. It also addresses the development of guidelines for 52 the influence of electromagnetic coupling, including immunity. Where subjects dealt with overlap 53 with those of other national committees, appropriate liaison will be established.

54 3.1 Interest Classification

55 See 6.2.7

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4. Responsibilities 56

57 4.1 Main Committee

- 58 The Main Committee shall be responsible for:
- 59 a) Proposing American National Standards within the scope of C63; 60
 - b) Developing proposed American National Standards within the scope of C63;
 - c) Maintaining the standards developed by C63 in accordance with 4.7 of the ANSI Essential Requirements.
- 63 d) Revising existing standards as part of the required maintenance in accordance with the 64 ANSI Essential Requirements. Revisions may include Amendments, Technical 65 Corrigenda, or Addendums.
- 66 e) Adopting current C63 policy and procedures for interpretations of the standard(s) (see 67 Clause 13); 68
 - f) Responding to requests for interpretations of the standard(s) (see 13):
- 69 g) Adopting current C63 procedures and revisions thereof.
- 70 h) Other matters requiring Main Committee action as provided in these procedures.

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72 4.2 Steering Committee

73 There shall be a Steering Committee for C63. The Steering Committee shall consist of the Main 74 Committee Chair, Vice Chair, the Secretary, the Treasurer, the immediate past Chair, plus the 75 Subcommittee Chairs (see Clause 5), and additional members of the Main Committee designated 76 by the Chair with the approval of the Steering Committee. The Chair of the Main Committee shall 77 be the Chair of the Steering Committee.

- 78 The responsibilities of the Steering Committee shall be to:
- 79 a) Manage the administrative affairs of C63 through a Memorandum of Understanding with 80 the United States EMC Standards Corporation - an ANSI-Accredited Standards 81 Developer: 82
 - b) Manage the financial affairs of C63 through a Memorandum of Understanding with the United States EMC Standards Corporation - an ANSI-Accredited Standards Developer
 - c) Provide an ongoing strategic plan for C63, and make it available on the C63 website;
- 85 d) Coordinate Subcommittee activities;
- 86 e) Review policies and procedures to ensure ongoing suitability;
- 87 Allocate resources in addition to established responsibilities; f)
- 88 g) Review the C63 meeting agenda to ensure critical items are covered.

90 4.3 Secretariat

- 91 The Secretariat shall be responsible for:
- 92 Maintaining C63 in accordance with ANSI requirements; 93
 - b) Overseeing the Main Committee in compliance with these procedures;
- 94 c) Maintaining a roster of Main Committee members and a list of standards for which the Main 95 Committee is responsible;
- 96 d) Coordination with the Secretary to perform administrative work,
- 97 e) Submitting Project Initiation Notifications (PINs) forms
- 98 Submitting candidate standards approved by the Main Committee with supporting f) 99 documentation for ANSI review and approval as American National Standards;
- 100 g) Conducting ballots on new or revised standards and reporting of the results;
- 101 h) Performing other administrative functions as required by these procedures.
- 102 i) Obtaining copyright releases for use of definitions sourced from other national or 103 international standardization bodies for both C63® subcommittee standards development 104 WGs and concurrently for inclusion in ANSC C63.14
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- 106 An annual Contract is signed between the IEEE Standards Association and the US EMC Standards

107 Corporation for Professional Services as the Committee's Secretariat. The Contract is signed by 108 the Chairman of the Board of the USEMCSC and an appropriate Senior Executive from the IEEE

109 Standards Association.

110 **4.4 Membership Committee**

- 111 A Membership Committee will be formed and maintained by the C63 Steering Committee.
- 112 The Chair of the Membership Committee will be nominated by the Chair of the Main Committee
- 113 and approved by the C63 Steering Committee by a majority vote.

- 114 Members of the Membership Committee will be nominated by the Chair of the Main Committee and
- approved by the C63 Steering Committee by a majority vote.
- 116 The duties of the Membership Committee are to review new member applications to the Main 117 Committee and recommend appropriate action to the Main Committee.

118 **5. Officers of the Main Committee**

119 **5.1 Officers**

120 The Main Committee shall have four officers. The elected Officers will consist of a Chair and Vice-121 Chair, who shall be members of the Main Committee, and are elected by a majority vote of the 122 Main Committee. The appointed Officers are selected by the Chair of the Main Committee; they 123 include the Secretary and the Treasurer.

In order to maintain impartiality on issues addressed by the Main Committee, the Chair and theVice-Chair shall not represent the same organization on the Main Committee.

126 The term of elected officers shall be three (3) years. Each elected officer is eligible for a single 127 additional three (3) year term. Before their term expires, there shall be a vote of the Main Committee 128 to either re-elect the Chair and Vice Chair or elect the next Chair and Vice Chair. Appointed Officers 129 serve until a new officer is appointed.

Voting members in good standing shall nominate one or more voting members for the Chair and Vice Chair Offices to be filled. Any primary or alternate member of the Main Committee is eligible to hold office. A person shall be nominated for no more than one office. Each Main Committee voting member may cast one vote for each of as many nominees for an office as the voting member chooses. The nominee with the highest number of votes shall win the election, provided votes are returned by a majority of the eligible voters for that election.

Extensions of the terms of elected officers beyond two terms requires a 2/3 majority vote of approval
 by the Main Committee¹.

138 **5.2 Chair**

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139 The responsibilities of the Chair shall include:

- a) Leading the meetings according to all the relevant policies and procedures.
- b) Forming ad hoc groups, as necessary and appointing the chair of such groups.
- 142 c) Being impartial.
- 143 d) Entertain motions, but not making motions.
- e) Delegating necessary functions.
- 145 f) Ensuring that all parties have the opportunity to express their views.
- g) Setting goals and deadlines and enforcing them.h) Being knowledgeable in standards processes and
 - h) Being knowledgeable in standards processes and parliamentary procedures and ensuring that the processes and procedures are followed.
 - i) Seeking consensus (see 10.1) of C63 as a means of resolving issues.
 - j) Prioritizing work to best serve C63 and its goals.
 - k) Ensuring the submission of an annual financial report(s) for the operation of C63 to the Main Committee for their Review.
 - I) Nominate the Chair and members of the Membership Committee.

¹ The option to extend leadership beyond the two terms is only for special circumstances where new leadership is not yet identified or in the event of environmental circumstances that prevent the election of new leadership.

155 5.3 Vice Chair

- 156 The responsibilities of the Vice Chair shall include:
- 157 a) Carrying out the Chair's duties, as specified in 5.2, if the Chair is temporarily unable to do 158 so or chooses to recuse himself/herself.
- 159 b) Carrying out those duties specifically delegated by the Chair to the Vice Chair.
- 160 c) Being knowledgeable in standards processes and parliamentary procedures and assisting 161 the Chair in ensuring that the processes and procedures are followed.
- 162 d) Being impartial.
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164 5.4 Appointed Officers of the Main Committee

165 The appointed Positions of Secretary and Treasurer, subject to the approval of the Main Committee, are either hired or appointed by the Chair with consideration of any Memorandum of 166 167 Understanding (MOU) or other legally binding agreements in place. Terms and conditions not 168 otherwise specified in this document related to hired or appointed positions shall be approved by 169 the Steering Committee. Terminations of appointed Officer Positions are subject to the approval of 170 the Main Committee.

171 5.4.1 Secretary

172 The responsibilities of the Secretary shall include:

- 173 a) Scheduling meetings in coordination with the Chair and distributing a meeting notice at 174 least thirty (30) calendar days before the meeting.
- 175 b) Distributing the agenda at least fourteen (14) calendar days before the meeting-176 notification of the potential for action shall be included on any distributed agendas for 177 meetings. 178
- c) Recording minutes of each meeting according to 9.5 and publishing them within 45 (forty-179 five) calendar days of the end of the meeting. 180
 - d) Creating and maintaining the participant roster.
 - e) Being responsible for the management and distribution of C63 documentation.
 - f) Maintaining lists of unresolved issues, action items, and assignments.
- g) Recording attendance of all attendees. 183
- 184 h) Maintaining a current list of the names of the voting members and distributing it to the 185 members upon request. 186
 - i) Forwarding all changes to the roster of voting members to the Chair.
- 187 Handle the administrative aspects of interpretation requests. j)
- 188 k) Attention should be given to post most, if not all, of the above that is public record on the 189 C63 website for ease of retrieval.
- 190 I) The Secretary Position is normally a paid position as well as other Secretaries of the 191 Committee. These paid positions are negotiated by Chair of the Main Committee and 192 approved by the C63 Steering Committee. 193

5.4.2 Treasurer 194

195 The Treasurer shall keep a full and accurate account of receipts and disbursements of the C63 196 Committee. It may also include other financial duties as may be assigned, including but not limited

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198 a) Maintain a budget.

- 199 b) Be responsible for the financial interest of the Committee.
- 200 c) Administer all funds, including any into and out of the Committee's bank account.
- d) Provide a written financial and budgetary report to the Main Committee at the first Main 202 Committee meeting of the calendar year.
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204 5.5 Term Limits for Subcommittee Officers

- 205 The Chairs of the Subcommittees each serve a three-year (3) term. Normally, it is recommended, 206 upon approval of the Main Committee, for the Chairs of the Subcommittees to renew for a second 207 three-year (3) term.
- 208 Extensions of the terms of elected officers beyond two terms require a 2/3 majority vote of approval 209 by the Subcommittee and the Main Committee².

210 6. Membership

211 6.1 General

- 212 Members of the Main Committee shall consist of industry organizations (preferably national in 213 scope), companies, government agencies, and individual consultants having a direct and material 214 interest in the activities of C63.
- 215 NOTE: An individual consultant is a legally recognized consultant independent of any other 216 organization.
- 217 There is a Membership Fee to join the Main Committee for Organizations and Individuals. There is
- 218 also a Membership Fee for an individual consultant to join a Subcommittee if they are not a member 219 of a Main Committee Organization.
- 220 There is no Membership Fee to join a "Working Group."

221 6.2 Application

222 6.2.1 Main Committee Applications

223 A request for membership on the Main Committee shall be addressed to the Membership 224 Committee and shall indicate the applicant's direct and material interest in C63's work, 225 qualifications, and willingness to participate actively. In addition, if the applicant is an organization, 226 company, or government agency; it shall identify a representative (and an alternate, if desired). 227 The Membership Committee will perform the initial review of the membership applications. If the 228 Membership Committee recommends the acceptance of the application, they will initiate a Motion 229 to the Main Committee to approve the membership application. The addition of new members, 230 along with their interest categories, shall be subject to approval by a majority vote of the Main 231 Committee.

232 6.2.2 Approval criteria

- 233 In approving membership applications, the Main Committee shall consider the:
- 234 a) Need for the active participation by each interest category;

 $^{^{2}}$ The option to extend leadership beyond the two terms is only for special circumstances where new leadership is not yet identified or in the event of environmental circumstances that prevent the election of new leadership.

- b) Potential for imbalance and dominance by a single interest category;
- c) Extent of interest expressed by the applicant and the applicant's willingness to participate
 actively;
- d) The qualifications and experience of the representative(s) identified by the applicant organization, company, or government agency.
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241 **6.2.3 Diverse interests**

If distinct divisions of an organization demonstrate independent interests and authority to make separate decisions on the activities of C63, each is permitted to apply for membership noting explicitly which division they represent.

245 **6.2.4 Combined interest**

When appropriate, the Membership Committee may recommend that the applicant seek representation through an organization that is already a member and represents the same or similar interest.

249 **6.2.5** Review of membership

The Steering Committee shall review the Main Committee membership list annually in terms of the following criteria. Members are expected to fulfill obligations of active participation.

- a) For an organization or individual consultants to remain a member of the Main Committee,
 in-person attendance by the primary (or alternate) representative at Main Committee
 meetings and voting on procedural matters is required. Failure to attend at least one
 meeting per year or respond to two consecutive remote administrative/procedural votes
 will place membership at risk.
- b) Repeated failure to participate in the technical document voting or IEEE balloting groups indicates a lack of interest in the activities of C63. Lack of participation in three consecutive votes, including IEEE ballots, indicates a lack of interest in the activities of C63 and will place membership at risk.
 c) Where a member is found in continual default of the obligations in a) or b), the Steering
 - c) Where a member is found in continual default of the obligations in a) or b), the Steering Committee shall direct the matter to the Main Committee for appropriate action, which may include termination of membership.
 - d) Members may be removed from the Main Committee only by a 2/3rds Majority Vote of the Main Committee.
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267 **6.2.6 Observers and individual expert members**

Individuals and organizations having an interest in C63's work may request to be an observer. Individual expert members are selected by the Main Committee to assist it with special projects. Individual expert members shall serve for a term of one (1) year and shall be subject to approval by a vote of the Steering Committee. Observers and individual expert members shall be advised of C63's activities, may attend meetings at no cost, and may submit comments for consideration, but shall have no vote.

274 **6.2.7 Interest categories**

All appropriate interests that are directly and/or materially affected by the standards activities of C63 shall have the opportunity for fair and equitable participation without dominance by any single interest category, individual, or organization (Association, Society, Business). Each member of C63 shall identify its own proposed interest category as appropriate, and in accordance with the Main 279 Committee's established categories, when the member becomes a member of a Balloting Group 280 for a particular standard, as specified in the list below.

The interest categories shall be established or revised by a vote of the Main Committee, and submitted to ANSI as part of the accreditation requirements.

The interest categories appropriate to the development of consensus in any given standards activity are a function of the nature of the standards being developed. Interest categories shall be defined, cover all known materially affected parties, and differentiate each category from the other categories. Such definitions shall be available on the C63 website (<u>Interest Category Definitions.pdf</u> (<u>c63.org</u>)). In defining the interest categories appropriate to a standards activity, consideration shall be given to at least the following:

- a) Manufacturer
- b) Government
- 291 c) General Interest
- 292 d) Professional Society
- 293 e) Trade Association
- 294 f) Calibration Laboratory
 - g) Service Provider Testing (e.g. Test Laboratory)
- 296 h) Other
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Appropriate, representative user views shall be actively sought and fully considered in standards activities. The interest categories may change depending on the standard being addressed.

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301 **6.2.8 Balance**

302 Balance for balloting purposes must meet the criterion that no single interest category may 303 constitute more than one-third of the membership of the Balloting Group.

304 **6.2.9 Membership roster**

- The Secretary shall maintain a current and accurate Main Committee roster (Members List) available on the Main Committee's website. The roster shall include the following:
- 307 a) Organizational Members: name of organization or agency, its representative and alternate
 308 (as applicable), addresses and business affiliations; or
 - b) Individual Members: Name and address of individual consultant member(s).

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6.3 Membership Applications for Subcommittees and Working Groups

313 6.3.1 Subcommittees

- 314 The application for membership shall be submitted to the Subcommittee Chair.
- 315 The application for membership must be endorsed by three (3) members of the Subcommittee for
- 316 which the applicant is seeking membership. These individuals must provide a written endorsement
- 317 to the subcommittee chair.
- 318 The application shall be approved by the Subcommittee before the individual is considered an active member of the Subcommittee.

- 320 The application can be found at
- 321 <u>https://www.c63.org/documents/c63/Main_Committee_Application_Form_20220118.pdf.</u>

322 **6.3.2 Working groups**

- The application for membership shall be submitted to the working group chair or the Subcommittee Chair to which the working group reports.
- The application shall be approved by the working group chair before the individual is considered an active member of the working group.
- 327 The application can be found at
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 https://www.c63.org/documents/misc/Application_Form_for_Working_Group_Membership_20230

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7. Subcommittees created by the Main Committee

331 7.1 General

When one or more Subcommittees are formed to expedite the work of the Main Committee, their formation (and subsequent disbandment) requires approval by a majority vote of the Main Committee, and appropriate public notice, e.g., via the C63 website (ANSC C63® Home).

The scope and duties delegated to the Subcommittee shall be approved at the time it is formed. by the Main Committee and reviewed by the Main Committee at least once per calendar year." The charge to the Subcommittee shall clearly state that the Subcommittee is responsible for the definitive content of one or more standards, if applicable, and for responding to views and objections thereon. Such Subcommittees shall maintain a membership roster in accordance with 6.2.9 and should comply with the provisions of 6.2.8.

7.2 Chair and members of Subcommittees

The Chair of a Subcommittee shall be elected by the Subcommittee with a majority vote and confirmed by a majority vote of the Main Committee. The Vice Chair and Secretary shall be appointed by the Chair of the Subcommittee. The scope, duties, and membership of all Subcommittees shall be approved by the Main Committee annually. The officers and members of a Subcommittee need not be members of the Main Committee.

For an individual to remain a voting member of a Subcommittee, active participation in Subcommittee meetings and regular responses to remote Subcommittee votes is required. Should a member fail to attend at least one of three consecutive scheduled meetings (in person, teleconferences, or webinar) or respond to at least one of every two consecutive remote Subcommittee votes, their membership in that Subcommittee will be at risk. The person shall be notified by the Subcommittee Secretary of being at risk. The Subcommittee Member may be removed from the Subcommittee only by a majority vote of the Subcommittee.

354 NOTE—Abstentions meet the requirements for responding to email votes.

7.3 Groups reporting to the Subcommittees

356 **7.3.1 General**

357 In general, groups reporting to Subcommittees are Working Groups and Maintenance Groups.

358 **7.3.1.1 Working Group (WG)**

Working Groups are committees of a Subcommittee that normally reports to the Subcommittee where it resides administratively, and it is usually responsible for the development of a specific standard of the Main Committee. Working groups reporting to the Subcommittees shall be formed by the Subcommittee Chair and be approved by a majority vote of the Subcommittee. The Chair of the Working Group shall be appointed by the Chair of the Subcommittee. The Working Group's mission and timetable shall also be approved by the Subcommittee.

365 After the standard is published, the WG is converted to a maintenance group, see 7.3.1.2.

Application for membership of a Working Group shall be open (members need not be members of the Main Committee or any Subcommittee). Members are preapproved by the Working Group Chair, who shall submit a complete membership list annually to the Subcommittee for final approval, preferably at the spring meeting of the Subcommittee. The membership of the Working Group shall be reported to the Main Committee for informational purposes. The working group roster and related information shall be available on the Subcommittee website.

For an individual to remain a member of a Working Group, active participation is required. Should a member fail to attend at least one of three consecutive scheduled meetings (in person, teleconferences or webinar) their membership in that Working Group will be at risk. Members of the Working Group may be removed from the Working Group only by a majority vote of the Working Group.

377 NOTE—Abstentions meet the requirements for responding to email votes.

378 **7.3.1.2 Maintenance Group (MG)**

379 Maintenance groups consist of the original Working Group, with the exception that the chair of the 380 MG defaults to the Subcommittee Chair.

381 Maintenance includes development of Amendments or Corrigendum and keeping track of future 382 changes to a standard through interpretation requests, updates in technology or test methods.

383 **7.3.2** Guidelines for secretaries of Subcommittees or Working Groups

- It is recommended that secretaries of Subcommittees and Working groups provide timely deliveryof minutes, agendas, and meeting invitations:
- a) Draft Minutes of a meeting are to be sent to the SC or WG chair within 14 business days
 after the close of a meeting for approval.
- b) Draft Minutes of meetings are to be sent out to WG or SC and posted to the C63 FTP within
 7 business days after SC/WG chair approval.
- 390 c) Agendas are to be sent to SC or WG chair for approval/changes at least 1 week prior to a scheduled meeting.
 392 d) Agendas are to be sent to WG or SC within 2 days of a scheduled meeting after chair
 - d) Agendas are to be sent to WG or SC within 2 days of a scheduled meeting after chair approval.
- e) It is preferred that meeting invitations, for the next meeting, be sent within 2 business days
 of the close of a meeting, however meeting invitations shall always be sent within five
 business days from the close of a meeting.
- f) Meetings should be started at least 15 minutes prior to the scheduled start time.
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 g) Meetings reminder invites should be sent out 15 min prior to a meeting (launch meeting and send reminders).
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401 8. Overview of C63 standards development process

402 8.1 General

403 Two paths are used in the development of C63 standards. One is to prepare a PINS (ANSI Project 404 Initiation and Notification System) and then to form a working group to follow the PINS to: publish 405 a new standard, amend an existing standard by amendment or corrigendum or open an existing 406 entire standard for a new revision.

407 The other approach is using a PINS-C (PINS-Committee), which is a PINS for committee use only, 408 because it is not submitted to ANSI for public view. The PINS-C approach is used to open study 409 questions as to what might be needed in the future, which when decided would then be formalized 410 with a PINS. Hence the use of a PINS-C, which is approved by the Main Committee, is a preliminary 411 step on the way to having subsequent PINS as used for the formal standards development process.

412 The flowchart in Figure 1 shows the process to be used when a standards project needs research 413 and study about what should be done, i.e., a PINS-C is approved by the Main Committee. The 414 PINS-C has no specific time line, although there may be some urgency for prioritizing the study of 415 a specific topic or topics. This is the recommended process. However, the Main Committee may 416 choose to go immediately to the PINS process.

417 If the Main Committee decides not to use the PINS-C sub-process as part of the overall process,

418 the flowchart of Figure 2 starts with the working group being formed and then a PINS is sent to the subcommittee and so on.

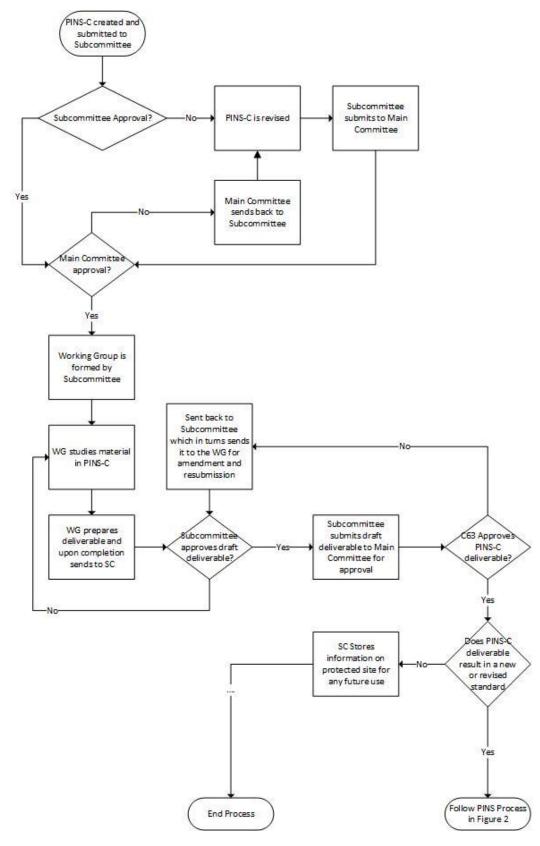




Figure 1 - Standards development and approval using PINS-C

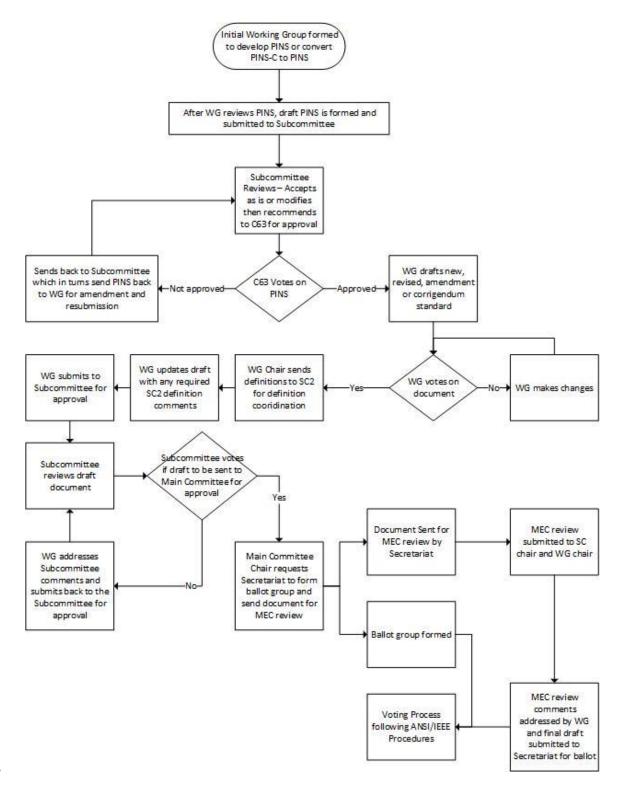


Figure 2 - Standards development and approval using PINS

425 **8.2** Approval of standards

426 **8.2.1 Proposed by a Subcommittee**

427 Draft standards and any substantive change (see Annex A of the ANSI Essential Requirements) in
 428 the content of a standard proposed by a Subcommittee shall be referred to the Main Committee for
 429 majority approval to form an IEEE balloting group.

430 **8.2.2 Proposed by Subgroups reporting to Subcommittees**

431 Draft standards and any substantive change (see Annex A of the ANSI Essential Requirements) in 432 the content of a standard (including amendments) proposed by a Working Group shall be referred 433 to the Subcommittee for review and recommendation to forward to the Main Committee. The 434 submittal to the Main Committee shall be based on a majority vote of the responsible 435 Subcommittee. If the recommendation is positive, it shall be submitted to the Main Committee for 436 majority approval to form an IEEE balloting group.

437 **9. Meetings**

438 **9.1 General**

Main Committee meetings shall be held, as decided upon by the Main Committee, the Chair, or by
petition of five or more members. The purpose is to perform the business of the Main Committee,
such as making assignments, receiving reports of work, considering draft standards, resolving
differences among subcommittees, and considering views and objections from any source.

443 The Steering Committee shall meet upon the call of the Chair of the Main Committee. Normally, 444 the Steering Committee meets before each Main Committee meeting.

The Membership Committee shall meet as often as necessary to review applications to the Main Committee in a timely manner.

447 Meetings of subcommittees and working groups reporting to the subcommittees may be held as 448 decided upon by the Chair of the subcommittee or, respectively, the Chair of the working group.

The objective of C63 standards development meetings is to develop and produce standards consistent with the Scope specified in **Error! Reference source not found.** All C63 Standards meeting participants are encouraged to produce standards that address the technical needs of their industry and that are feasible, timely, and of high quality.

453 Meetings of the Main Committee shall be face-to-face. In the event that there are environmental 454 circumstances that would prevent the Main Committee from meeting face-to-face, the Chair has 455 the option to either hold the meeting virtually or wait unit such a time that face-to-face meetings 456 can be held. Meetings of Subcommittees may be face-to-face, hybrid (face-to-face and electronic), 457 or solely electronic (video-conferencing or similar means).

458 **9.2 Open Meetings**

459 Meetings of the Main Committee, Subcommittees and Working Groups reporting to the 460 subcommittees shall be open to all members and others having a direct and material interest in 461 C63 activities. At least four (4) weeks' notice of regularly scheduled meetings of the Main 462 Committee shall be given on the C63 web page. The notice shall describe the purpose of the 463 meeting and shall identify a readily available source for further information. An agenda shall be 464 available two (2) weeks in advance of the meeting to members and to others expressing interest. 465 The Secretariat may maintain a mailing list of other interests and should share that list with the 466 Main Committee Secretary as the meeting information is uploaded to the website.

467 **9.3 Quorum**

468 A simple majority (50%) of the total membership of the Main Committee or a Subcommittee shall 469 be present to constitute a quorum for performing business activities at a meeting. If a quorum is 470 not present, actions shall only be taken subject to subsequent confirmation by electronic vote or 471 vote at a future meeting. The Main Committee or Subcommittee in-person or electronic vote must 472 include a guorum and it must be recorded in the meeting minutes.

473 **9.4 Conduct**

In accordance with the IEEE Code of Conduct, available on the IEEE website, meeting attendeesshall demonstrate respect and courtesy toward each other and shall allow each participant a fair

476 and equal opportunity to contribute to the meeting without interrupting while members are speaking.

477 **9.5 Minutes**

The Secretary shall record the essential minutes of the meetings in concise format, including the following minimum content:

- 480 a) Name of Committee.
- 481 b) Date and location of meeting.
- 482 c) Officer presiding, including the name of the Secretary who wrote the minutes.
- 483 d) Attendance, including affiliation.
- 484 e) Call to order, Chair's remarks.
- 485 f) Approval of minutes of previous meeting.
- 486 g) Approval of agenda.
- 487 h) Technical topics;
- 488 i) Brief summary of discussions and conclusions
- 489 j) Motions, including the names of mover and seconder and those that want their names
 490 recorded when objecting or abstaining.
- 491 k) Next meeting--date and location.

493 Copies of handouts and subcommittee reports shall be included in the minutes. Alternatively, these 494 documents shall be uploaded to the corresponding folder in the C63 restricted ftp area and linked 495 into the minutes.

Copies of approved minutes and the meetings associated approved agenda are to be stored on
 the C63 website in the Members Area for the Subcommittee or Working Group within 30 days of
 the approval of the meeting minutes and agenda.

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500 **10. Voting**

501 **10.1 Evidence of consensus and Main Committee vote**

502a)Evidence of consensus in accordance with these procedures for the approval of a503document or portion thereof shall be documented. Consensus is demonstrated by a vote504of the Main Committee. The criterion for consensus includes a requirement that a majority505of the Main Committee cast a vote (counting abstentions) and at least two-thirds of those506voting approve (not counting abstentions). The Main Committee vote shall be conducted507and reported in accordance with the rules set forth herein. Votes for the approval of a

508 document or portion thereof as a candidate standard, amendment, or revision may be 509 obtained by voting at a meeting where guorum is met (see 9.3) or by electronic means. 510 511 b) A Main Committee vote taken on administrative matters shall be conducted and reported 512 consistent with Roberts Rules of Order. Specifically, a majority vote of the Main Committee 513 is sufficient to pass the administrative matter. Abstentions shall be included in the count of 514 votes (recorded votes at a meeting or votes via an electronic vote) to assure that a majority 515 of the Main Committee has cast a vote. As soon as a majority of votes has been recorded 516 for a positive vote (or a negative vote), the administrative decision may be announced by 517 the Chair of the Main Committee without waiting for all the members of the Main Committee 518 to record their vote. 519

520 **10.2 Changing votes**

521 C63 shall not change a vote unless instructed to do so by the voter. If the change of vote was not 522 submitted in writing or electronically by the voter, then written confirmation of such a vote change 523 shall be sought from the voter by the developer. All negative votes that are not changed at the 524 request of the voter shall be recorded and reported on the ANSI BSR 9 form as unresolved 525 negatives by C63.

526 **10.3 Recording and consideration of negative votes**

527 C63 shall record and consider all negative votes accompanied by any comments that are related 528 to the proposal under consideration. This includes negative votes accompanied by comments 529 concerning potential conflict or duplication of the draft standard with an existing American National 530 Standard and negative votes accompanied by comments of a procedural or philosophical nature. 531 These types of comments shall not be dismissed because they do not necessarily provide 532 alternative language or a specific remedy to the negative vote.

533 **10.4 Negative votes out of scope or without comments**

534 C63 is not required to consider negative votes accompanied by comments not related to the 535 proposal under consideration, or negative votes without comments. C63 shall indicate 536 conspicuously on the IEEE ballot that negative votes must be accompanied by comments related 537 to the proposal and that votes unaccompanied by such comments will be recorded as "negative 538 without comments" without further notice to the voter. If comments not related to the proposal are 539 submitted with a negative vote, the comments shall be documented and considered in the same 540 manner as submittal of a new proposal. If clear instructions are provided on the IEEE ballot, and a 541 negative vote unaccompanied by comments related to the proposal is received notwithstanding, 542 the vote may be counted as a "negative without comment" for the purposes of establishing a 543 quorum and reporting to ANSI. However, such votes, i.e., a negative vote without comment or a 544 negative vote accompanied by comments not related to the proposal, shall not be factored into the 545 numerical requirements for consensus. C63 is not required to solicit any comments from the 546 negative voter, nor is C63 required to conduct a recirculation of the IEEE ballot of the negative vote. 547 However, C63 is required to report the "no" vote as a "negative without comment" when making 548 their final submittal to the BSR.

549 **10.5 Records keeping on changed votes**

550 The C63 Secretary shall maintain records of evidence regarding any change of an original vote.

551 **10.6 Vote**

552 **10.6.1 General**

553 Except concerning votes on membership and officer-related issues, each member shall vote one 554 of the following positions:

- a) Affirmative
 - b) Affirmative, with comment;
 - c) Negative, with reasons (the reasons for a negative vote shall be given and if possible, should include specific wording or actions that would resolve the objection);
 - d) Abstain, with reasons.
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- 561 For votes on membership and officer-related issues, the yes/no/abstain method of voting shall be 562 used.
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564 **10.6.2 Vote of alternate**

565 An alternate's vote is counted only if the principal representative fails to vote.

566 **10.6.3 Single vote**

567 Generally, no representative shall have more than one vote. However, if two or more organizations 568 appoint the same individual to represent each of them, that individual may cast a separate vote for 569 each organization represented. The organizations shall confirm in writing to the Secretary that they 570 are aware of and will accept the results. Additionally, representation of more than one organization 571 by the same individual shall require approval by a majority of the Main Committee, excluding the 572 vote of that individual. This shall be done prior to the vote being taken.

573 **10.6.4 Voting period**

574 **10.6.4.1 Standards voting**

575 The voting period of the Main Committee for the initial circulation of a new or revised (including a 576 partial revision) standards document to form an IEEE Ballot Group for approval shall be at least 577 four (4) calendar weeks. An extension of the voting period may be granted at the Main Committee 578 Chair's option when warranted (e.g., to encourage additional voting returns to make the vote valid). 579 The length of the voting period may be terminated early if, and only if, all members of the Main 580 Committee have responded prior to the vote closing date.

581 When multiple standard documents are being voted on, the voting period shall be shifted such that 582 no more than three standard documents will be simultaneously circulated in total across all of the 583 Main Committee, Subcommittee, or IEEE for the ballot stage. If there are already three active 584 votes, the next votes shall be scheduled to start as the existing active votes conclude, such that 585 there are no more than three active votes at any given time. The Subcommittee Chairs shall work 586 with the Main Committee Chair and the IEEE Secretariat to ensure this process is maintained.

587 **10.6.4.2 Other than standards voting**

588 The voting period for all other electronic votes should be three (3) weeks unless otherwise specified 589 by the entity authorizing (see 10.9) the vote. In all cases, an extension of the voting period may be 590 granted at the Main Committee Chair's option, when warranted. The voting period may be 591 shortened when:

- a) a sufficient number of affirmative votes have been received to approve the subject of the vote (e.g., a majority), or
 b) a sufficient number of negative votes have been received to disapprove the subject of the
 - b) a sufficient number of negative votes have been received to disapprove the subject of the vote or
 - c) the subject of the vote is not complex and can then be reviewed and voted on in short order.
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599 10.6.4.3 Voting follow-up

Follow-up emails requesting immediate return of the vote should be sent, as appropriate, to members and alternate members whose votes have not been received one (1) week prior to the scheduled voting close date and again one day prior to the scheduled close date.

603 **10.7** Actions other than standards requiring approval by two-thirds of those voting

604 The following actions require a formal recorded vote with approval by at least a majority of the 605 membership, including abstentions and at least two-thirds of those voting, excluding abstentions:

- a) Adoption of Main Committee procedures, interest categories, or revisions thereof;
- b) Approval for submission to ANSI of change of the Main Committee scope.
- 608 c) Extensions of the terms of elected officers beyond two terms.
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610 **10.8 Voting on standards**

For voting on proposed American National Standards within the scope of C63, an IEEE Balloting Group, which will include at a minimum the members of the Main Committee which wish to be in the balloting group for approval of that standard, shall be formed by the secretariat as follows:

- a) An invitation to an IEEE ballot on a particular standard shall be sent to all C63 Main
 Committee members by the Secretariat. Those responding affirmatively shall specify their interest category for that standard.
- b) Those responding affirmatively shall comprise the IEEE balloting group, subject to review by the Secretariat to ensure balance among the interest groups. No single group of common interest shall comprise more than 50% of the IEEE balloting group. If necessary, the Secretariat will invite additional specific parties to join the IEEE balloting group, in order to provide satisfactory balance.
 c) After the IEEE balloting group is formed, the standard to be balloted shall be distributed to
 - c) After the IEEE balloting group is formed, the standard to be balloted shall be distributed to each member of the IEEE balloting group.

Approval of standards requires an electronic ballot with a majority of the IEEE ballot group casting a vote and at least two-thirds of those voting, excluding abstentions, cast a vote to approve. This procedure applies to:

- 628 a) A new standard; 629 b) Revision, amend
 - b) Revision, amendment, reaffirmation or withdrawal of an existing standard.
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631 **10.9 Initialization of votes**

- 632 In-person or electronic votes shall be authorized by any of the following:
- a) Majority vote of those present at a Main Committee meeting;
- b) The Chair;
- 635 c) The Steering Committee;
- 636 d) The Secretariat;

- 637 e) Petition of five or more members of the Main Committee.
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- 10.10 Other review
- 640 Proposals for new American National Standards, revision or withdrawal of existing American 641 National Standards shall be transmitted to ANSI for listing in the Standards Action for comment.

The Secretariat shall determine whether listing of the proposed standard in the Standards Action
 shall be concurrent with the final Balloting Group's electronic ballot and whether announcement in
 other suitable media is appropriate.

Views and objections resulting from the above shall be dealt with in accordance with 10.11. Any
 substantive change (see Annex A of the ANSI Essential Requirements) made in the proposed
 American National Standard shall be relisted in accordance with this section.

648 **10.11 Disposition of views and objections**

649 When the IEEE balloting has been closed, the Secretariat shall forward the ballot tally to the Chair 650 of the Main Committee, the SC Chair and the WG Chair. The expressed views and objections shall 651 be considered by the Working Group that developed the standard, corrigendum or amendment 652 either electronically or face-to-face.

Prompt consideration shall be given to the expressed views and objections of all participants, including those commenting on the listing in the Standards Action. An effort to resolve all expressed objections shall be made, and each objector shall be advised in writing of the disposition of the objection and the reasons therefor.

In addition, each objector shall be informed in writing that an appeals process exists withinprocedures used by the standards developer.

659 Substantive changes (see Annex A of the ANSI Essential Requirements) required to resolve 660 objections, other substantive changes, unresolved objections and attempts at resolutions of 661 negative comments shall be reported to the IEEE Balloting Group members in order to afford all 662 members an opportunity to respond to them or to reaffirm or change their votes within three (3) 663 weeks.

664 When the above process is completed, in accordance with procedures of the standards developer, 665 the standards developer may consider any comments received subsequent to the closing of the

666 public review and comment period or shall consider them at the next review.

667 **10.12 Report of final result**

668 The final result of the voting shall be reported to the IEEE Balloting Group.

669 **11. Submittal of standard**

- 670 Upon completion of the procedures for voting, disposition of views and objections, and appeals, 671 the proposed standard shall be submitted to ANSI by the Secretariat.
- 672 The information supplied to ANSI by the Secretariat shall include all relevant material required by
- 673 ANSI as outlined in 4.2 of the ANSI Essential Requirements. If the Secretariat does not submit the

674 proposal to ANSI within a reasonable period of time, any member(s) of the Main Committee may

675 make the submittal.

676 12. Communications

677 12.1 General

678 All correspondence on behalf of C63 shall contain identification of C63 as the source of the 679 correspondence.

680 **12.2 Formal internal communication**

681 If correspondence between Subcommittees or between Working Groups of different 682 Subcommittees or different Subcommittees involve issues or decisions (i.e., non-routine matters) 683 affecting other Subcommittees, copies shall be sent to all affected Subcommittee Chairs, the C63 Steering Committee, and the Secretariat. 684

685 **12.3 External communication**

686 Inquiries relating to the Main Committee should be directed to the Chair. All replies to inquiries shall 687 be made through the Chair.

688 Individuals making public statements that have not been approved by C63 shall state that they are 689 speaking as individuals, and their views do not necessarily represent the views of C63.

690 12.4 Requests for interpretation of standards

691 Written inquiries requesting interpretation of C63's approved American National Standards shall be

- 692 responded to in accordance with Clause 13. Revisions to the standard resulting from requests for
- 693 interpretations shall be processed in accordance with these procedures.

694 **13. Interpretations**

13.1 General 695

- 696 An interpretation provides meaning or clarification to a portion of a standard when it:
- 697 a) is open to more than one viewpoint, or 698
 - b) is ambiguous, or
- 699 c) appears to be contradicted in normative references or other clauses in the standard.

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701 Requests for interpretations shall be submitted in writing on the official form that is available on the 702 C63 web page. It shall also be identified on the interpretation request form, which of the above 703 listed criteria is being applied for the interpretation request.

- 704 Amendments or revisions to published standards are not made via an interpretation, but rather by 705 the formal procedure for such amendments and revisions (see Clause 8).
- 706 Interpretations are to be developed using the process outlined below. Requests for the review, 707 withdrawal or amendment of previously published interpretations, based on new information or 708 requirements, and as long as they do not amend or revise the applicable standard, are also to be 709 addressed using the process outlined below.

710 Official interpretations shall be prepared and published only by C63 on its website. Requests for 711 interpretations shall be first submitted to the Secretary of C63. Only requests submitted using the 712 official request form shall be accepted. The Secretary of C63 is the official repository of such

- 713 requests and is responsible for ensuring that such responses are posted on the Main Committee 714 web site in a timely manner.
- After the request for an interpretation is received in writing the Secretary of C63 shall forward the
- request to the Chair of the subcommittee (SC) responsible for the standard to which the request applies.
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719 **13.2 Formation of an Interpretation Task Group**

Upon receipt of the request for an interpretation from the Secretary of C63, the Subcommittee Chair
shall inform the subcommittee membership of the request by email and solicit members for a Task
Group to prepare a draft response to the interpretation request. The subcommittee chair also
assigns a TG chair.

724 **13.3 Responsibilities of the Interpretation Task Group**

The TG shall prepare the response. Responses shall be developed as determined by the SC Chair. Disputes in the TG shall be resolved by a simple majority. Once a response has been prepared by the TG, the SC Chair shall submit this response to the SC membership for review, discussion, and approval. Approval will be by a majority vote of the SC. After approval by the SC, the approved response will be sent to the Secretary of C63.

730 **13.4 Official approval of interpretations**

Upon receipt from an SC Chair of an SC approved response to an interpretation request, the
 Secretary of C63 shall inform the C63 membership that the response has been prepared and shall
 circulate the SC approved response.

If after fourteen (14) calendar days from the day of the announcement no Main Committee member
 has expressed a desire to call for a Main Committee vote, the submitted interpretation will be
 considered approved and placed on the C63 website.

737 If any member wants to have the particular interpretation made subject to a Main Committee vote, 738 the member shall notify within the 14 day timeline and provide an explanation for the requested 739 motion to the Secretary of C63. The Chair of the Main Committee shall initiate a vote within the 740 Main Committee in a timely manner. The voting process will assume a Motion has been made to 741 accept the interpretation; a second to that Motion will be required. A two-week (2) discussion period 742 will take place from the time a second to the assumed motion has been received. The Chair of the 743 Main Committee will then initiate the vote with votes being counted by both the Chair and the 744 Secretary in parallel.

745 Negative votes and comments received with a vote may be considered and can either result in a 746 revised version of the interpretation or be deferred to a new revision of the subject standard.

Voting members who do not return a vote will be automatically counted as abstentions. Abstentions will be subtracted from the number of members eligible to vote, to arrive at the final number of voters. A simple majority of the final number of voters shall determine approval or rejection of the interpretation.

If a majority of the voters reject the interpretation, comments from voters shall be referred back to the TG that prepared the initial response. The TG shall perform an evaluation and decide the disposition or resolution of the comments in the same manner as it did for the original request. The result, after being reviewed and approved by the appropriate Subcommittee, shall be forwarded to the Secretary of C63 for another Main Committee approval process following the procedures specified above.

757 **13.5 Publication of interpretations**

After a response is approved by Main Committee vote or Main Committee consent (i.e., with or without a vote, as decided by the Main Committee), the Secretary of C63 shall post the interpretation on the C63 web site as the official Main Committee response within five (5) calendar days of finalization of the interpretation and the response shall be conveyed to the enquiring party in writing or electronically in writing within the same timeframe.

The date of the application of an interpretation shall be documented on the response form and shall be identical to the date the interpretation is posted on the C63 web site. A copy of the approved response shall be retained by the Secretary of C63, together with a list of members of the TG, for the C63 committee records.

767 **13.6 Maintenance**

768 A review of published interpretations shall be performed by each SC Chair during the initiation of a 769 new project related to a standard for which there are published interpretations. Applicable 770 interpretations shall be considered for inclusion in the next edition of the standard. Published 771 interpretations may be amended or withdrawn if initiated by a motion, seconded, and voted by the 772 C63 Main Committee to amend or withdraw. Amendment of an interpretation shall follow the 773 procedures specified in the subclauses above. Withdrawn interpretations shall still be made 774 available on the C63 web site but their status shall be updated to indicate that they have been 775 "withdrawn" and are no longer applicable.

14. Patent policy - inclusion of patents in ANSI-approved C63 Standards

At the beginning of each standards development meeting, a call shall be made to allow participants to provide notice that a proposed ANS or an approved ANS may require the use of a patent claim, and to identify the holder of the patent claim. The meeting agenda and minutes shall reflect the call and that there is none stated if in fact there is none presented. The Working Group Chair shall request an assurance on the approved C63 Patent Form from the holder of the patent claim.

Accredited Standards Committee C63 shall comply with the ANSI Patent Policy, which is availableon the ANSI website.

784 **15. Commercial terms and conditions**

C63 shall comply with ANSI's commercial terms and conditions policy provided in the ANSIEssential Requirements which are available on the ANSI website.

787 **16. Antitrust policy**

ANS shall be developed in accordance with applicable antitrust and competition laws and meetings
 amongst competitors to develop ANS are to be conducted in accordance with these laws.

790 **17. Evidence of compliance**

Records shall be prepared and maintained to provide evidence of compliance with these procedures. Records concerning new, revised, or reaffirmed Standards developed by C63 shall be retained for a minimum of five (5) years or until approval of the subsequent revision or reaffirmation of the complete standard. 795 Records concerning withdrawals of all Standards developed by C63 shall be retained for at least 796 five (5) years from the date of withdrawal.

797 **18. Metric policy**

798 The International System of Units, universally abbreviated SI (from the French Le Systéme 799 International d'Unités), is the modern metric system of measurement. Metric units of measure are 800 to be used in standards developed by C63.

801 19. Termination of C63

802 A proposal to terminate the Main Committee may be made by a directly and materially affected 803 interest group. The proposal shall be submitted in writing to the Main Committee Secretariat and 804 shall include at least the following:

- 805 a) Reasons why the Main Committee should be terminated; 806
 - b) The name(s) of the organization(s) that will assume responsibility for maintenance of any existing American National Standard(s) that is (are) the responsibility of the Main Committee.
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810 If it appears, after review and discussion among the proponents of the action, the Secretariat, and 811 the Steering Committee, shall decide if the desired objectives can best be reached by termination. 812 The proposal and supporting documentation shall be submitted to the Main Committee with a 813 request to vote to terminate the committee. The proposal for termination of the Main Committee 814 shall be announced for comment in the Standards Action.

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816 20. Appeals

817 20.1 General

818 Persons who have directly and materially affected interests and who have been or may be 819 adversely affected by a procedural action or inaction of the Main Committee or the Secretariat shall 820 have the right to appeal.

821 20.2 Right to appeal

822 Persons who have directly and materially affected interests and who have been or will be adversely 823 affected by any procedural action or inaction by a standards developer with regard to the 824 development of a proposed ANS or the revision, or withdrawal of an existing ANS, have the right 825 to appeal. Procedural complaints include whether a technical issue was afforded due process. The 826 burden of proof to show adverse effect shall be on the appellant. Appeals shall be directed to the 827 Main Committee responsible for the action or inaction in accordance with the appeals procedures 828 of the Main Committee.

829 20.3 Appeal

830 The appellant shall file a written appeal with the Secretariat within thirty (30) days after the event 831 (action or inaction). The appeal shall state the nature of the objection(s) including any adverse 832 effects, the clause(s) of these procedures or the standard that is at issue, actions or inactions that 833 are at issue, and the specific remedial action(s) that would satisfy the appellant's concerns. 834

Previous efforts to resolve the objection(s) and the outcome of each shall be noted.

835 **20.4 Response**

Within thirty (30) days after receipt of the appeal, the respondent (Chair or Secretariat) shall
respond in writing to the appellant, specifically addressing each allegation of fact in the complaint
to the extent of the respondent's knowledge.

839 **20.5 Hearing**

840 **20.5.1 General**

841 If the appellant and the respondent are unable to resolve the written appeal informally in a manner 842 consistent with these procedures, the Secretariat shall schedule a hearing with an appeals panel 843 on a date agreeable to all participants, giving at least ten (10) working days' notice.

844 **20.5.2** Appeals panel

The appeals panel shall consist of three individuals who have not been directly involved in the matter in dispute, and who will not be materially or directly affected by any decision made or to be made in the dispute. At least two members shall be acceptable to the appellant and at least two shall be acceptable to the Main Committee.

849 **20.5.3 Conduct of the hearing**

The appellant has the burden of demonstrating adverse effects, improper actions or inactions, and the efficacy of the requested remedial action. The respondent has the burden of demonstrating that the Main Committee and the Secretariat took all actions in compliance with these procedures and that the requested remedial action would be ineffective or detrimental. Each party may adduce other pertinent arguments, and members of the appeals panel may address questions to individuals. Robert's Rules of Order (latest edition) shall apply to questions of parliamentary procedure for the hearing not covered herein.

857 **20.5.4 Decision**

The appeals panel shall render its decision in writing within thirty (30) days, stating findings of fact and conclusions, with reasons therefore, based on a preponderance of the evidence presented to the appeals panel. Consideration shall be given to the following positions, among others, in formulating the decision:

862	a)	Finding for the appellant, remanding the action to the Main Committee or the Secretariat
863		with a specific statement of the issues and facts in regard to which fair and equitable action
864		was not taken;
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- b) Finding for the respondent, with a specific statement of the facts that demonstrate fair and equitable treatment of the appellant and the appellant's objections;
 c) Finding that new, substantive evidence has been introduced, and remanding the entire
- 867 c) Finding that new, substantive evidence has been introduced, and remanding the entire action to the Main Committee or the Secretariat for appropriate reconsideration.
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870 **21. Parliamentary procedures**

871 On questions of parliamentary procedure not covered in these procedures, Robert's Rules of

- 872 Order (latest edition) may be used to expedite due process. This applies to all foregoing clauses 873 where such rules are needed or used.
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875 **Annex A**

876 United States EMC Standards Corporation

The United States EMC Standards Corporation (USEMCSC) is the administrative and financial
organization of the C63 Committee. It is a Not-for-Profit Corporation and it is the ANSI-Accredited
Standards Developer for C63 Committee standards.

There are Memorandums of Understanding between the C63 Committee and the USEMCSC whichdefine the responsibilities of the USEMCSC to the C63 Committee.

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 Committee or former members of the C63 Committee.