

**ESTA Technical Standards Program
Application for Working Group Membership**

Name of individual					
Corporate parent company or organization to be represented					
Company				Phone	
Street				E-mail	
City					
State/Prov.		Country		Postal code	

Working group (Check one. Submit one application form per working group.)

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| Control Protocols | Electrical Power | Fog & Smoke | Followspot Position |
| Floors | Photometrics | Rigging | Stage Machinery |

Voting status (Check one. See the next page for an explanation of the voting categories.)

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| Principal voting | Alternate voting | Individual voting | Observer, non-voting |
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Interest category (Check one. See the next page for an explanation of the interest category choices.)

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| Mass-market producer | Custom-market producer | Dealer or rental company |
| User | General interest | Designer |

Describe your interests in, qualifications for, and commitments to the issues addressed by the working group. Note your ability to attend working group meetings and to develop working group documents.

I hereby agree to notify the Technical Standards Council of any future changes in status, including change of employment or organization represented. I also agree that ESTA shall have full rights and license to use the materials I may provide or develop for the working group, and that I acquire no rights as an author of a joint work in any of the documents that might be produced by the working group.

Signature and date:

Return to:
ESTA TSP Staff, standards@esta.org
(You must have an email address to participate.)

Note that there is a per person/per year participation fee for working group members. The fee is independent of voting status and number of working groups.

THIS FORM CAN BE FILLED OUT WITH AN ACROBAT PDF APPLICATION, AND RETURNED BY EMAIL.

Return the form at least two weeks before the working group meeting at which it is to be processed.
Forms submitted with less than two weeks lead time may be held until the next meeting.

Voting Status

Principal and **alternate** working group members are representatives of the same organization or company on a working group. A voting organization has one principal member and only one vote, regardless of the number of principal and alternate members representing the same organization. An organization may have as many alternate members as it desires, but an organization or company has only one vote.

Individual working group members are persons of special expertise who are not affiliated with an organization or company having an interest in the work of the group. Each Individual working group member has one vote. An individual member may not have alternates.

An **observer** member is a non-voting member. He or she may not vote, but may participate in discussions at working group meetings or submit written comments on the activities of a working group to a working group.

Interest category

Custom-market producer: a working group interest category, a member of which is a producer of goods in which more than 50% of its product lines are designed and manufactured for specific customers to meet specifications provided by those customers and in which the products provided to different customers are substantially different. The proportion of the product line shall be determined by the relative monetary values of the products at the wholesale level.

Mass-market producer: a working group interest category, a member of which is a producer of goods in which more than 50% of the product line is uniform products, designed and manufactured for non-specific customers without modification for any particular customer. The proportion of the product line shall be determined by the relative monetary values of the products at the wholesale level.

Dealer or rental business: a working group interest category, a member of which is a company whose major business (more than 50%) is in the reselling or renting of products from several manufacturers to the company's customers.

User: a working group interest category, a member of which is a person or company that uses the products that are the subject of a working group, and for whom this use results in a net income that is greater than any income derived from making, selling, or renting the subject products to others. Users for the purposes of this clause shall include educators and product end-users.

General interest: a working group interest category, a member of which is a party that is affected by the work of the group but that may not reasonably be considered a custom-market producer, a dealer or rental business, a mass-market producer, or a user of the products that are the subject of the working group. Examples are companies that do such a variety of business in a subject area that no one thing (renting or manufacturing, for example) could be considered over 50% of the business.

Designer: a working group interest category, a member of which incorporates the products and services regulated by ESTA standards in their work but is not involved in the production, sale, or distribution of the products, nor is regularly employed by those who are involved in the production, sale, or distribution of the products. Examples are theatre consultants, architects, and engineers who derive more than 50% of their income as a design professional.

Membership in ESTA is not a requirement for participation in the activities of the ESTA Technical Standards Program. However, there is a per person/per year participation fee for working group members, levied to help defray the costs of running the Program. The fee is independent of voting status and number of working groups joined.

The Working Group reserves the right to reject applications with cause or to assign a different interest category or voting status than the category or status requested. Such actions may be appealed, and there is a defined appeals procedure.

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