

Submit Comments

ENTERPRISE SINGAPORE CALLS FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS – 11 JANUARY 2019

Under the National Standardisation Programme, the public comment period is an important stage of standards development. Members of the public are invited to provide feedback on draft Singapore Standards for publication and work item proposals for development and review of Singapore Standards and Technical References. The establishment of Singapore Standards is done in accordance with the World Trade Organisation's requirements for the development of national standards.

A) Notification of Draft Singapore Standards for Publication

Members of the public are invited to comment on the following Singapore Standard document:

Building and Constuction – [formwork](#)

For more information on viewing the document, [click here](#).

Closing date for comments: **12 March 2019**.

Please submit comments to: kay_chua@enterprisesg.gov.sg.

B) Notification of New Work Item Proposals

B.1 Proposal for New Work Items

New Work Items (NWIs) are approved proposals to develop new Singapore Standards or Technical References (pre-standards).

Members of the public are invited to comment on the scope of the new standards and contents that can be included into the following proposals:

Food – [cold chain management of chilled and frozen food](#) (general requirements and specific requirements for chilled pork, leafy green vegetables, milk and dairy products, frozen fish and seafood and processed food products)

Quality and Safety – [ammonia refrigeration system](#)

The NWIs are work-in-progress and the drafts are not available at this juncture.

Closing date for comments: **12 February 2019**.

Members of the public are invited to join as standards partners, resource members or co-opted members subject to the approval of relevant committees and working groups.

To comment or to join in the development of standards, please write to: kay_chua@enterprisesg.gov.sg.

B.2 Proposal for the Review of Singapore Standards

Published Singapore Standards are reviewed to determine if they should be updated, confirmed or withdrawn (if they no longer serve the industry's needs) or classified as mature standards (no foreseeable changes; to be reviewed only upon request).

Members of the public are invited to comment on the scope and contents of the following standards to be reviewed:

Building and Construction – [manhole tops and surface-box tops](#)

The reviews are ongoing and new versions/drafts are not available at this juncture. Users can refer to the current standards to provide feedback. [Click here](#) to view and purchase the standards.

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A) Notification of draft Singapore Standards for Publication

(I) Building and Construction

Revision

***Code of practice for formwork** (Revision of SS 580 : 2012)

This standard gives provisions for the design, erection, use, alteration and dismantling of formwork structure for any reinforced concrete works.

Potential users of the standard include engineers, developers, builders, contractors and occupational health and safety professionals.

Copies of the draft and standards are available at:

***For drafts (Viewing only)**

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NOTE – The viewing period of the drafts will expire on the closing of the 2-month public comment period. Drafts will no longer be available after this date.

B) Notification of New Work Item Proposals

B.1 Proposed New Work Items

(I) Food

1. Cold chain management of chilled and frozen food

The review of the standards on cold chain management of chilled and frozen food resulted in the development of the following six-part standard. These standards cover cold chain management from post-harvesting handling, packing / packaging, storage, transportation, distribution, and retail sale so as to ensure food safety, freshness and quality.

Part 1: General – Requirements with guidance for use

This standard specifies the general requirements for cold chain management of chilled and frozen food.

Part 2: Chilled pork – Requirements with guidance for use (Review of SS 552 : 2016)

This standard specifies the cold chain management of chilled pork.

Part 3: Leafy green vegetables – Requirements with guidance for use (Review of SS 585 : 2013)

This standard specifies the cold chain management of leafy green vegetables.

Part 4: Milk and dairy products – Requirements with guidance for use (Review of SS 621 : 2016)

This standard specifies the cold chain management of milk and dairy products.

Part 5: Frozen fish and seafood – Requirements with guidance for use (Review of TR 49 : 2016)

This standard specifies the cold chain management of frozen fish and seafood.

Part 6: Processed food products – Requirements with guidance for use

This standard specifies the cold chain management of processed food products.

The above standards are intended to be certifiable, on a voluntarily basis, to provide assurance to buyers that procedures are adhered to and temperatures are controlled throughout the supply chain.

Potential users of the above standards include food manufacturers, food retailers, logistics companies and food transportation service providers.

(II) Quality and Safety

2. Specification for ammonia refrigeration system

This standard specifies the requirements for design, installation, commission, operation, inspection, servicing and maintenance for ammonia refrigeration system use in food storage cold room. It also includes an emergency response plan in the event of ammonia leakage and contamination on food products.

Potential users of the standard include manufacturers, cold store and logistics companies/suppliers of ammonia refrigeration system as well as testing and inspection bodies.

B.2 Review of Singapore Standards

(I) Building and Construction

1. Manhole tops and surface-box tops [SS 30 : 1999 (2012)]

This standard establishes definitions, grades, materials, design and testing requirements and marking of manhole tops and surface-box tops. It specifies requirements for manhole tops, gully tops and surface-box tops with a clear opening up to and including 1000 mm, for installation within areas subjected to pedestrian and / or vehicular traffic.

The standard is reviewed with the intention to update it.

Users of the standard include consultants, contractors, developers, professional engineers, suppliers / manufacturers, tertiary institutions, testing bodies, accreditation bodies and relevant government agencies.

(II) Quality and Safety

2. Technical Reference for management consultants (TR 43 : 2015)

This Technical Reference (TR) provides a frame of reference for management consultancy. It defines the consultancy process, specifies the competency and ethical requirements and outlines the scope for continuous professional development of management consultants.

The TR is reviewed with the intention to elevate it to a Singapore Standard.

Users of the standard include management consultants, management consultancy trainers, researchers, academics and certification bodies.

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Frequently asked questions about public comment on Singapore Standards:

1. What is the public comment on Singapore Standards?

Singapore Standards are established based on an open system which is also in accordance with the requirements of the World Trade Organisation. These documents are issued as part of a consultation process before any standards are introduced or reviewed. The public comment period is an important stage in the development of Singapore Standards. This mechanism helps industry, companies and other stakeholders to be aware of forthcoming changes to Singapore Standards and provides them with an opportunity to influence, before their publication, the standards that have been developed by their industry and for their industry.

2. How does public comment on Singapore Standards benefit me?

This mechanism:

- ensures that your views are considered and gives you the opportunity to influence the content of the standards in your area of expertise and in your industry;
- enables you to be familiar with the content of the standards before they are published and you stand to gain a competitive advantage with this prior knowledge of the standards.

3. Why do I have to pay for the standards which are proposed for review or withdrawal?

These standards are available for **free viewing** at Toppan Leefung Pte Ltd and all public libraries. However, the normal price of the standard will be charged for those who wish to purchase a copy. At the stage where we propose to review or withdraw the standards, the standards are still current and in use. We seek comments for these standards so as to:

- provide an opportunity for the industry to provide inputs for the review of the standard that would make the standard suitable for the industry's use,
- provide feedback on the continued need for the standard so that it will not be withdrawn,

4. What happens after I have submitted my comments?

The comments will be channelled to the relevant standards committee for consideration and you will be informed of the outcome of the committee's decision and you may be invited to meet the committee if clarification is required on your feedback.

5. Can I view drafts after the public comment period?

Drafts will not be available after the public comment period.

6. How do I request for the development of a new standard?

You can propose the development of a new standard [here](#).