

What you need to know about Sponsor ballot

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Sponsor ballot

- The third and final stage of comment used by 802.3:
 - Task Force review
 - Working Group ballot
 - Sponsor ballot
- The Sponsor ballot group is formed prior to initial ballot
 - You have until 11 November to join the group. See [msg00727](#)
 - Anyone who is an IEEE-SA member or who pays a fee can join
- Sponsor ballot has additional “G” (General) type comment
 - In addition to the usual T and E types
 - If you leave the type blank it becomes “G”
- Participation requirement is higher for Sponsor ballot
 - $\geq 75\%$ required to close ballot ($> 50\%$ for WG ballot)
- Initial ballot with scope of entire draft 30 days, recirculations 15 days

Comment tools

- Can't use the same comment tools as WG ballot. Either:
 - enter comments one at a time through the MyBallot web interface

Must Be Satisfied ← **This box only appears if you have already voted Disapprove**

CATEGORY: General

PAGE: 291

SUBCLAUSE: 139.5.6

LINE #: 23

COMMENT: The text of the comment

ATTACHED FILE: Browse...

Any attachment must relate to a single issue and to a specific line, paragraph, figure, or equation in the balloted draft so that the comment resolution committee can address the comment as a single issue.

PROPOSED CHANGE: The text of the proposed change

OK CANCEL

- or download spreadsheet from MyBallot and upload as a batch

P802.3bs						
Close Date: 26-Oct-2017 11:59 ET						
Click on column headers for help						
Category	Page	Sub-clause	Line #	Comment	Proposed Change	Must Be Satisfied

“Rogue comments”

- People who are not members of Sponsor ballot group can still submit comments using different spreadsheet:

IEEE account
Username

Can only be “No”

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
1	Web Id	Category	Page	Sub-clause	Line #	Comment	Proposed Change	Must Be Satisfied
2								
3								

- Only members of Sponsor ballot group can submit “Must Be Satisfied” comments (equivalent to “R” or Required)
- Send spreadsheet to Task Force officers
- Submission deadline usually earlier than main ballot

RevCom

- Sponsor ballot comments reviewed by RevCom as part of the final approval process
- RevCom [guidelines](#) should be followed for comment responses:
- ACCEPT comments should have a blank Response field

<i>Response</i>	<i>Response Status</i>
ACCEPT.	C

~~Change the reference clause for item TC3 to 120D.3.1.1.~~

- ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE comments should have sufficient explanation of why suggested remedy was not applied. The text of response to any referenced comment should be appended after comment is closed
- REJECT comments should have sufficient rebuttal detail
- Use full URLs when referencing files (e.g. presentations)

Conditions for submitting to RevCom

- Sponsor ballot continues until the following conditions are met:
 - No substantive (technical) changes in the last recirculation
 - No new negative comments (TR/GR/ER) associated with a Disapprove ballot in the last recirculation
 - $\geq 75\%$ approval ratio
 - $\geq 75\%$ response ratio
 - $< 30\%$ abstention ratio
- When the above conditions are met the TF can request that the draft is submitted to RevCom and the SASB for final approval

Thanks!