

# IEEE 802.3 Rules Report

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# Proposed rules change

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- Four rules revisions proposals received in March
- Revision procedure in subclause 2.9 of rules
  - Meeting held to discuss changes in March
  - Changes pre-circulated prior this plenary
    - Four comments received
  - Rules meeting this week to consider
    - Two changes proposed
  - Vote held at the closing IEEE 802.3 plenary

Choices:

Reject

Approve

Send out to Working Group Letter Ballot

A motion requesting a letter ballot take precedence

# Proposed Rules Revision 1-03/07 (Membership)

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- Proposed change

*Change subclause 2.6 'Membership' as follows:*

The rules and procedures governing WG membership including establishment, retention, loss and rights are contained in the IEEE project 802 LAN MAN Standards Committee (LMSC) policies and procedures (See ref [1], 7.2.3).

The following additional requirements are imposed within the WG:

a) TF and SG meetings that are less than two days in duration or that take place adjunct to and co-located with the plenary meeting cannot be used to count towards establishing nor retaining voting rights.

b) A SG meeting may only count toward establishing or retaining voting rights if it is co-located with another 802.3 Task Force meeting.

cb) To establish voting rights participants must request to become a voter during a WG Opening or Closing plenary meeting when additions to the voter list are solicited by the Chair from the "Potential Voter" list.

dc) To establish and retain voting rights participants must record and maintain valid complete contact information in the WG database. All acknowledgements and information required by the IEEE Standards Association (e.g., Employer and Affiliation) shall also be provided and current.

# Proposed Rules Revision 1-03/07 (Membership) – Additional change

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- Added additional change based on comment received
  - Subclause 4.4.1 also needs changed

## 4.4.1 Study Group Meetings

Participation at a duly constituted Study Group meeting during a ~~Working Group Plenary meeting~~ will count towards the 75% presence at a Working Group meeting. ~~All other Study Group meetings do not count towards WG voting rights.~~

Approved Y:5 N:1 A:0

- Rationale for change

Recognize some SG attendance toward voting membership  
Objective of change – Simplify administrative burden on WG leadership, align WG process with myProject capabilities.

# Proposed Rules Revision 2-03/07

## (Base document access for amendments and corrigenda)

- Proposed change

*Insert new paragraph at end of 7.8.1 that reads as follows*

Working group ballots of amendments and corrigenda shall also include access to the approved base standard and any approved amendments and corrigenda in order to provide sufficient information to the ballot group.

- Rationale for change

A recent change to the IEEE-SA Standards Board Operations Manual add a requirement that access to the base document be provided in Sponsor ballot of amendments and corrigenda. This change institutes a similar requirement for 802.3 WG ballots.

# IEEE 802.3 Motion

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IEEE 802.3 approves the proposed IEEE 802.3 rules revisions 1-03/07 and 2-03/07 without a 30 day WG letter ballot.

M: Law

S: Frazier

75% approval required

PASSED/FAILED

Date: 19th July 2007

Y:

N:

A:

Time:

# Proposed Rules Revision 3-03/07

(Align IEEE 802.3 Five Criteria requirements with LMSC P&P)

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- Proposed change

*Replace 7.2 with the following:*

When a study group presents a request to the WG for them to forward a draft PAR to the LMSC EC for approval, they shall in addition present a completed set of responses to the 'five criteria' (see LMSC P&P 17.5). An 802.3 project shall also address the following.

#### Compatibility

- Compatibility with IEEE Standard 802.3
- Conformance with the CSMA/CD MAC

#### Distinct Identity

- Substantially different from other 802.3 specifications/ solutions.

- Rationale for change

The LMSC Five Criteria are based on the 802.3 criteria, but they have minor differences. This changes mandates use of the LMSC Five Criteria with some additional unique points from the 802.3 Five Criteria being required in the responses.

# IEEE 802.3 Motion

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IEEE 802.3 sends the proposed rules revision 3-03/07 for Working Group letter ballot.

M: Frazier

S: Thompson

75% approval required

PASSED/FAILED

Date: 19th July 2007

Y:

N:

A:

Time:

# Proposed Rules Revision 4-03/07 (Working Group name )

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- Proposed change

*(only in P&P title and not consistent with myProject)*

*Pick one and change if necessary. We are currently listed in myProject as the “Ethernet Working Group”..*

- Rationale for change

The Working Group name been listed in many ways with IEEE-SA. Our rules only include our WG name in the operating rules title. That name is not consistent with myProject and therefore any PAR we now submit. Consistency is an appropriate goal.

# Straw poll

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All the following have been used on PARs

[a] CSMA/CD Working Group

Name on IEEE 802 web page

[b] CSMA/CD (Ethernet) Working Group

Name on IEEE 802.3 web page

[c] Ethernet Working Group

Name currently used on PARs

# IEEE 802.3 Motion

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IEEE 802.3 will use ‘Ethernet’ as the name of the IEEE 802.3 Working Group and request IEEE 802 EC affirmation of this.

This motion has no effect on titles of standards.

M: Law

S: Booth

75% approval required

PASSED/FAILED

Date: 19th July 2007

Y:

N:

A:

Time:

# IEEE 802.3 Operating Rules

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802.3 Operating Rules URL:

<http://www.ieee802.org/3/rules/index.html>

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