New Member Workshop
Basics of TC Membership: Impact, Roles, Tools & Support
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Agenda

1. Introduction
2. Standards matter
3. UL Standards & Engagement
4. Technical Committees
5. Additional support
6. Questions
“We are thankful 4200A will better protect our most vulnerable from button battery ingestion. Since the death of Reese, we have tirelessly worked for something like this.”

- Trista Hamsmith, mother of Reese Hamsmith and advocate for battery safety
Reese Hamsmith, only 17 months old, swallows a button battery and dies 40 days after ingestion.

December 2020

2021 to 2022

Reese’s mother participates on the TC and a new standard is published in record time.

February 2023

UL 4200A Published

August 2022

Reese’s Law signed into law requiring batteries to meet the PPPA requirements.
Standards matter

Technical Committees are central to the process of developing new and maintaining existing standards.
Three organizations. One shared mission.

Working for a safer world.
A safer world

We bring Technical Committee members together to develop standards that help guide the safety, performance, and sustainability of new and evolving products, technologies, and services.

- Safety
- Performance
- Sustainability
UL Standards & Engagement

- **400** Technical Committees (TCs)
- **40+** Countries represented on TCs
- **4,300+** TC members
- **133,000** Views of our standards through our free view access in 2023
Technical Committees
Technical Committees

What is a Technical Committee?

A group of experienced individuals who represent a variety of interest categories formed to provide input on new or revised UL or ULC standards to ensure continued consumer safety, regulatory compliance, and market access.

Purpose

1. Review the need for new standards or the updating of existing standards
2. Development of the full text of the standards
3. Consideration of requests for revisions or amendments to existing standards
4. The interpretation of the requirements of specific standards
Technical Committee participants

ULSE Staff

TC Chair

Project Manager

Technical Committee
Technical Committee Chair

TC Chair

• UL Standards & Engagement employee

• Responsible for:
  - Approving who will become a member
  - Leading the committee in an efficient, effective, and timely manner

• TC Chairs do not vote
Technical Committee Project Manager

Project Manager

• UL Standards & Engagement employee
• Works as the secretary of the TC
• Works closely with the TC Chair and other TC members to:
  - Process standard proposals
  - Publish standards documents
  - Maintain the membership roster
  - Issue correspondence to the TC members
• Non-voting member of the TC
Technical Committee members are expert volunteers who represent a balance of interests at both a national and regional level who work together to produce effectual safety and performance standards.
Activity

Which of the following TC members are not eligible to vote? And why?

A. TC chair
B. General TC member
C. Consumer TC member
D. TC project manager
Activity

Which of the following is NOT a primary purpose of a Technical Committee?

A. Reviewing the need for new standards or the updating of existing standards
B. Developing the full text of the standards
C. Considering requests for revisions or amendments to existing standards
D. Identifying industry-specific requirements in existing standards
E. Interpretating the requirements of specific standards
Technical Committee expectations

Meetings
• Attendance is expected (most meetings are held infrequently and often virtually)
• Provides opportunities to:
  - Network with other members
  - Stay up-to-date on industry trends
  - Efficiently address topics

Collaboration
• Express your ideas and perspectives
• Read, consider, and respond to comments
• Lead or participate in a Task Group

Voting
• Opportunity to approve, reject, or abstain from voting on a proposal to ensure the standards remain relevant
The standards development process begins with proposal development and ends with publication. Anyone at any time can submit a request for a proposal. The request is reviewed and refined by the authors, reviewed by members and interested stakeholders, and voted on by TC members. Finally, after the recirculation has been conducted and consensus is maintained, the UL or ULC standard will be published with revisions approved by the TC.
Tools

We are modernizing our technology, operations, and communication to deliver a world class experience for Technical Committee members.

Shop UL Standards
- Coming soon
- Recently published

CSDS
Propose new standards and revisions and track or participate in the standards development process.

MyInfo Portal
Apply to join any of our Technical Committees and keep your profile up-to-date.
More ways to participate

UL Standards & Engagement is always looking for participants in the Standards Development Process.

Focuses

• Appliances, HVAC, Lighting (AHL)
• Autonomy and Robotics (AR)
• Energy & Power Technologies (E&PT)
• Building & Life-Safety Technology (BLST)
• Combustion, Cabling, Conduit (CCC)
• Electrification
• Sustainability
Additional support

• ULSE’s Learn site
• Webinars
ULSE’s Learn site

Five eLearning modules are available on demand to provide support:

1. About Us
2. Standards Development Process
3. CSDS
4. Other Standards Tools
5. Helpful Information
6. Regional & International Harmonization

Learn | UL Standards & Engagement (ulse.org)
Learn: Stakeholder support training

### About Us
- Who is UL Standards & Engagement?
- Global Impact
- Why do Standards Matter?
- Technical Committees

### Standards Development Process
- UL and ULC Process Overview
- How to Read a Standard
- Technical Committee Members
- Look Inside a Technical Committee Meeting
- Submitting a New Standard Request
- Submitting Proposal Requests
- Harmonizing Standards

### CSDS
- Create a CSDS Account
- Navigate CSDS
- Understand the Process
- Submit a Proposal
- Notification & Comments
- Access TC Information
- TC Members
- Vote on a Proposal

### Other Standard Tools
- My Info
- UL Standards & Publications
- Free Digital View Feature
- UL Standards Update Alerts

### Helpful Information
- Glossary
- UL Standards & Engagement Systems
- ULC Committee Instructions
- Frequently Asked Questions
- Other Helpful Resources
Upcoming Webinars

Journey of a Standard

CSDS
Certificates

UL Standards & Engagement recognizes

Mr. Xiao Peng

as a Technical Committee member.

This certificate is being awarded in appreciation for your valued participation in our Standards development process.

George A. Borlase, Ph.D., P.E.
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Activity

Within Learn, which Stakeholder Support training most interests you?
Activity

Has anyone taken one or more of the online learning modules?

What was your experience?

Did you learn anything new in the training? Did anything stand out?
Questions
Thank you