

**What is a Change Proposal?**

A change proposal (CP) is a proposal for submitting a suggested revision to the next edition of the NESC and has been reviewed by an NESC Technical Subcommittee.

**What is a Public Comment?**

A Public Comment can be a statement in support of the proposed change, a statement in opposition of the proposed change, or a proposed revision to a change proposal that has received initial consideration by an NESC Technical Subcommittee

**Who can submit a Public Comment?**

Anyone can submit a Public Comment, e.g., organizations, individuals, companies, NESC Subcommittees or Working Groups, etc.

**How do I submit an NESC Public Comment?**

Complete an NESC Comment form by using the NESC Comment Template, and follow the instructions for submission on the NESC E-System web page.

**Where do I go to submit a Public Comment on an NESC Change Proposal?**

<http://standards.ieee.org/about/nesc/form.html>

**Do I need to register if I am a first time submitter?**

No. For the first comment that you submit, the system will ask for your name, email address, and organization. For subsequent comments, the system will recognize your email address and take you directly to the submittal screen.

**Is there a log in for previous submitters?**

No. Your email address is your log in.

**Do I need a Submitter ID #?**

No, a Submitter ID # is no longer required to submit a comment during the NESC public comment period.

**Why must I use the NESC Comment Template?**

Using the NESC Comment Template ensures that all change proposal submissions are provided in a uniform manner that allows for ease of Subcommittee review, creation of the NESC Draft, etc.

**Where do I find a Change Proposal number(s)?**

Change Proposal numbers are found in the NESC Preprint. Each change proposal number is associated with an NESC rule number; e.g., CP5234. The NESC Preprint is available for purchase at <https://ieeexplore.ieee.org/document/8753791>.

**What is the NESC Preprint?**

The NESC Preprint is a document that compiles all NESC Change Proposals in rule number order, along with the initial Subcommittee recommendation(s) for each proposal.

**Can I use track changes on my change proposal template?**

No. Any revisions to rules must be shown using underlines for added/new text and ~~strike-throughs~~ for deleted text.

**What if my Public Comment applies to more than one change proposal?**

A separate public comment must be submitted for each NESC change proposal.

**What is the deadline for submission of Public Comments?**

The deadline has passed.

**Who reviews the Public Comments received?**

NESC Technical Subcommittees will review the public comments along with the initial recommendations contained in the NESC Preprint to make final recommendations for inclusion in the NESC draft that is submitted to the NESC Main Committee for letter ballot, tentatively in January, 2022.

**When do NESC Technical Subcommittees meet to consider Public Comments and make final recommendations on change proposals?**

NESC Technical Subcommittees will tentatively meet in August, September, and October 2021.

**Who approves the 2023 NESC?**

The NESC Main Committee is the body that approves the 2023 NESC via letter ballot. Authority for final approval is by the American National Standards Institute, the body responsible for the accreditation of the NESC.

**When is the next edition of the NESC expected to be published?**

The next edition is the 2023 NESC, to be published by the IEEE on 1 August 2022.