

Webinar of 2014-10-23

THE NEW CEN ENQUIRY PROCEDURE

Questions and answers

Questions asked by the Attendees	Answers from the Presenter
How the conjunction "weighted vote & simple majority" should be understood?	Each of the CEN members have specific weightings. The overall result of the Enquiry ballot will have to show more the 71% in favour for the project to be approved. In addition, of all the members voting there has to be a majority in favour in order for the project to be approved.
Where can I found the list with the weighted votes?	Annex D of the CEN-CENELEC Internal Regulations Part 2 (found here - http://boss.cen.eu/ref/IR2_E.pdf)
What result is recorded when a CEN member does not vote?	A no vote is recorded.
Is there an extension for bigger ENs? (more pages)	The 2 month "Preparation period" prior to the 3 month Enquiry may be extended following the request from one of the Translation bodies in accordance with the CEN Translation Procedure (found here - http://boss.cen.eu/reference%20material/Guidancedoc/Pages/Transl.aspx)
Is the in-depth editing time always 5 weeks even when a package of standards are uploaded?	Yes, the CCMC Editors aim to finalize the editing within a 5 weeks following submission by TC onto eTrans.

<p>How will the comments received during enquiry be handled? By TC or by CCMC?</p>	<p>Only the TC can decide to skip the Formal Vote – not CCMC. If the decision by the TC to skip Formal Vote is approved then CCMC will finalize the publication version of the EN taking into account only editorial comments submitted during the Enquiry.</p>
<p>If I have a technical comment, should I vote NO?</p>	<p>This depends on the project in question. A TC may decide to take a technical comment into consideration either by incorporating it into the formal vote draft or by keeping it to one side for a future amendment or revision.</p>
<p>Is it right that the FV can only be skipped when there are no technical comments?</p>	<p>No. The TC may choose to skip the FV even though some technical comments exist. They may decide to put them to one side for a future amendment or revision.</p>
<p>Is the Tc decision to skip FV done by simple majority?</p>	<p>Currently the CEN/BT decision states that the TC decision is a weighted vote & simple majority although this may change – to be discussed at the next CEN/BT meeting on 27&28 October.</p>
<p>Is a TC Decision needed to submit a draft for Enquiry?</p>	<p>No.</p>
<p>Is the new formatted TC decision could have the 3 questions? (Skip FV, 2nd ENQ or FV) ? That will help to consult the TC only once</p>	<p>This template is still to be finalized.</p>
<p>Is the 2nd enquiry time will be reduced ? 1 or 2 months rather than 3?</p>	<p>A 2nd Enquiry will also be 3 months long.</p>
<p>What time is allowed for translation within the three month enquiry period?</p>	<p>Translation is done during the first 2 months (preparation period) prior to the 3 month enquiry period.</p>

<p>What is the requirement for missing language versions regarding time frame?</p>	<p>The CEN Translation Procedure applies (found here - http://boss.cen.eu/reference%20material/Guidancedoc/Pages/Tran%20sl.aspx)</p> <p>The procedure is launched by the deadline regardless of whether the official language versions have been provided to CCMC.</p>
<p>Does the UAP procedure still exist?</p>	<p>Yes.</p>
<p>I, as Consultant understand that my enquiry draft assessments shall now include a clear vote in difference to the present situation where this is asked for the FV draft assessment. Is this correct?</p>	<p>Yes, you are correct. CCMC will send you a request to provide an official assessment using the usual form.</p>
<p>What if the CEN consultants gives a positive assessment during CEN enquiry, the TC decides to skip FV, but based on the comments, the Annex ZA is changed. Will there be 2nd assessment by the CEN consultant?</p>	<p>Changes to the Annex ZA may be considered technical and therefore not permitted. It depends on the project and the elements involved.</p>
<p>What does "DIS" mean?</p>	<p>DIS stands for Draft International Standard. The DIS procedure is the equivalent of the Enquiry procedure.</p>
<p>Can you please confirm that if a project went through the old enquiry and necessitates a second enquiry, it will be the new enquiry?</p>	<p>Yes it shall be. All Enquiry ballots as from 2015-01-01 will follow this new procedure.</p>
<p>Does the new rules apply to Project Committees identically?</p>	<p>Yes.</p>
<p>Sometimes the expression "National Enquiry" is used,</p>	<p>Yes.</p>

sometimes "CEN Enquiry". I assume they both apply to the same procedure?	
What happen if for any reason the deadline are not respected?	The deadlines of the 3 Years Timeframe still apply. TCs should please keep an eye on the alerts in Projex-Online (here - https://projex.cen.eu/online/PgLogin.aspx?ReturnUrl=%2fonline) for each of their projects.