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Appendix E. Interpretation Policy

- E.1 Purpose.** It is the responsibility of the ASNT Standards Development Committee (SDC) to issue interpretations of standards it has developed where questions regarding the proper way to comply with such standards have arisen. This appendix establishes the procedures the ASNT SDC and those inquiring shall use to make such interpretations.
- E.2 Inquiries.** The following guidelines for preparing an inquiry will expedite consideration and response to the inquirer.
 - E.2.1** Each inquiry should be limited to a single aspect of the standard or previous interpretation of the standard. Inquiries concerning multiple inquiries or unrelated subjects may be returned for further clarification.
 - E.2.2** The specific question to be answered by SDC should be distinctly set apart from the body of the letter and must be in condensed, precise question format, omitting superfluous background information and if possible, asked in such a manner that a “yes” or “no” (perhaps with a short explanation) would be an acceptable reply.
 - E.2.3** The inquiry should state the purpose of the question, which could be to obtain a clarification of the standard’s mandates or the intent of the committee as it developed the standard.
 - E.2.4** The inquiry should contain the needed information for SDC’s understanding of the question.
 - E.2.5** The inquiry should include references to the applicable paragraph(s) of the standard or previous interpretation of the standard.
 - E.2.6** Inquiries that require clarification or more information shall be returned to the inquirer within 30 days of ASNT’s receipt of the inquiry with specific suggestions for improvement.
 - E.2.7** Inquiries must be in writing and sent to the Secretary of the Standards Development Committee at standards@asnt.org.

CP-189 INQUIRY FORM
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Name:	Date:
Address:	
Phone:	CP-189 Edition:
Email:	Paragraph(s):
State the <i>Purpose</i> of the Inquiry	
<input type="checkbox"/> Revision of present requirement(s) <input type="checkbox"/> New or additional requirement(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Request for interpretation	
<i>(a) Proposed Revision(s), Addition(s) or Inquiry</i>	
<i>(b) Statement of Need or Reply</i>	
<i>(c) Background Information</i>	

Return completed form to:
 Secretary, ASNT Standards Development Committee
 1711 Arlingate Lane, Columbus, OH 43228-0518 or
 email to: standards@asnt.org