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 - 1 presented to TSG for information;
 - 2 presented to TSG for approval;
 - 3 or greater indicates TSG approved document under change control.
- y the second digit is incremented for all changes of substance, i.e. technical enhancements, corrections, updates, etc.
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Introduction

In order to ensure correctness and consistency of the specifications (i.e., technical specifications and technical reports) under responsibility of the Technical Specification Groups (TSG) of the 3rd Generation Partnership Project (3GPP), clear, manageable and efficient mechanisms are necessary to handle version control, change control, document updating, distribution and management.

1 Scope

This document outlines the working methods to be used by the 3GPP Technical Specification Groups and their Working Groups and their Sub-Groups, and by the 3GPP Support Team in relation to document management, i.e. handling of specifications, updating procedures, Change Request procedures, version control mechanisms, specifications status information etc. It complements the rules and procedures defined for 3GPP. This document does not stipulate the details of the internal working of the TSG Sub-Groups. From the Technical Specification Group point of view, a task and responsibility is given to a Working Group directly answering to the Technical Specification Group. In practice, the work/task may be carried out in a subgroup of that Working Group.

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| [1] | void |
| [2] | 3GPP TR 21.905: "Vocabulary for 3GPP Specifications". |
| [3] to [5] | void |
| [6] | 3GPP TR 21.900 Release 16: "Technical Specification Group working methods". |

2 Definitions and abbreviations

For the purposes of the present document, the terms in 3GPP TR 21.905 [2] apply.

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10 Working methods for the present Release

The provisions for this Release are identical with those for the latest Release of TR 21.900 [6].

Annex A: Change history

Change history					
TSG SA#	Version	CR	Tdoc SA	New Version	Subject/Comment
SP-04	3.0.0	001	SP-99288		Alignment with TSG SA decisions made at TSG#3. Deletion of Strategic/non strategic CR references. Change of PT to Support Team, editorial corrections.
		002	SP-99289		Harmonisation of the use of software for 3GPP documents in order to minimise the errors due to software conversion problems and to allow efficient interchange of electronic files for electronic working.
SP-05	3.1.0	003	SP-99428	3.1.0	
SP-08	3.2.0	005	SP-000279	3.2.0	Addition of new text related to electronic working practices.
SP-09	3.3.0	007 r1	SP-000402		Clarification and editorial corrections to provisions covering the management of specifications and Work Items.
		008 r2	SP-000492		Role of rapporteur for both Specifications and Work Items.
		010	SP-000461		Clarification of CR categories.
		editorial			Clarification of CR categories for a frozen 3GPP release.
SP-10	3.4.0	011 r1	SP-000693		Change of "Release 2000" into "Release 4", addition of "Release 5".
		012 r1	SP-000693		Release numbers appearing in CR cover sheets
		013 r2	SP-000693		Clarification of the "freezing" of specifications
SP-11	3.5.0	014 r1	SP-010178	3.5.0	Release mechanisms
		-	-	3.6.0	Inclusion of GSM spec numbering scheme
SP-16	4.0.0	-	-	4.0.0	Upgrade to Rel-4.
2002-09-17	5.0.0	-	-	5.0.0	Upgrade to Rel-5.
SP-21	5.0.1	015	SP-030499	5.0.1	Editorial correction to front cover (change title to read Release 5 instead of Release 4)
SP-22	6.0.0	019	SP-030575	6.0.0	Addition of stage 1-2-3 specification structure description
SP-23	6.1.0	-	-	6.1.0	Corrects references
SP-24	6.1.1	020	SP-040310	6.1.1	Corrects Release shown on cover page
		-	-	6.2.0	Release planning: target date setting
SP-25	6.2.0	021 r3	SP-040705		Editorial: Correction of second clause 6.0.2 to 6.0.3.
		024	SP-040706		6.3.0
SP-26	6.3.0	025	SP-040824		Improved tracking of Work Item status
					7.0.0
SP-28	7.0.0			7.0.0	Editorial corrections to harmonize use of capitalization plus a typographical error
SP-29	7.0.1	028	SP-050537	7.0.1	Introduction of the concept of "study item"
SP-32	7.1.0	029	SP-060403		Inclusion of "study item" in definition of "work item"
		030			Change "short" to "long" WG abbreviations
		031 r1			Correct references to obsolete TSG.
		032			Registration of code points with external bodies
SP-37	7.2.0	034 r2	SP-070703	8.0.0	Alignment of working methods with alignment CR practice agreed in TSG SA #36
SP-38	8.0.0	035	SP-070900	8.1.0	Addition of 36.-series to Specs series table
				8.1.1	Correct typo in previous entry in history table
SP-39	8.1.1	036 r2	SP-080079	8.2.0	Clarification of version nomenclature
SP-42	8.2.0	037 r3	SP-080897		Determination of freeze dates for stages of a Release. (Correction recommended by OP ad hoc group on improvements.)
		038 r1	SP-080721		Cross-TSG work coordination. (Correction recommended by OP ad hoc group on improvements.)
		039 r2			8.3.0
SP-46	8.3.0			9.0.0	Upgrade without technical change to Rel-9
SP-51	9.0.0			10.0.0	Upgrade without technical change to Rel-10
SP-54	11.0.0	045	SP-110802	11.0.0	The use of Category A CRs
				11.0.1	2013-06: Corrects cased of letter "i" shown against value 18 in table 5.
SP-65	11.0.1	047	SP-140445		Correction to implementation of CR0045
		043r2	SP-140446		11.1.0
	11.1.0			12.0.0	Upgrade to Release 12 without technical change
SP-70	12.0.0	048r1	SP-150825	13.0.0	TDoc types and status values
SP-70	13.0.0			13.0.1	Correction of minor editorial issues

Date	Meeting	TDoc	CR	Rev	Cat	Subject/Comment	New version
2016-12	SA#74	SP-160967	0052	2	F	Withdrawal of specifications and functionality	13.1.0
2017-03	SA#75					Addition of missing spec series to table 1. Upgrade without further technical change on freezing Release 14.	14.0.0
2017-06	SA#80	SP-180617	0054	2	F	Clarifying secondary responsibility	14.1.0
2017-06	SA#80					Upgrade unchanged on freeze of Rel-15	15.0.0
2018-09	SA#81	SP-180848	0056		F	Spec filenames for version element having a value > 35	15.1.0
2018-10						Correction of typo: version number in history table	15.1.1
2018-12	SA#82	SP-181190	0058		F	Eliminate contents of Rel-15 and substitute with pointer to Rel-16	15.2.0

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