

National Participation in ISO

U.S. TAG or mirror committee member/participant

All participants registered through ASABE with the U.S. TAG may examine, comment on and register a vote indicating the position they feel the U.S. should take on a posted ISO document or question.

The votes placed by the documented voting members on the committee will be counted toward the position decision. Votes placed by observing participants are taken into consideration when the members meet to determine a final position or the Chair provides a review and verification to the administrator.

All submitted comments (whether from voting or observing members) are considered by the U.S. TAG and often discussed, revised and combined to provide a unified position on suggested resolutions. The collated and reviewed comments are submitted along with the U.S. position to ANSI by the ASABE administrator prior to the close of the ISO balloting period.

To become a member of a US TAG administered by ASABE you must first be registered in the ASABE database. If you are an ASABE member, you are in the database. ASABE membership is encouraged as it helps to pay for the expense of administration. You find out about [membership here](#).

If you are not an ASABE member, you may request participation on the US TAG by filling out the [attached form](#) and returning it to the appropriate TAG administrator (see the bottom of [ISO Standards page here](#)).

There are two levels of participation, voting member and observing participant.

A **voting member is expected** to review, comment and vote on all ISO ballots posted and to participate in the review discussions to determine the U.S. position. While our members are volunteers, we understand that that is not always possible. We request the courtesy of a response if unable to participate.

An **observing participant** will receive all notices sent to the U.S. TAG and an initial notification of a ballot and may review, comment and vote on any ISO ballot to indicate support or disagreement. There are no expectations of participation and the observer is not under any further obligation.

An observing participant who wishes to become a voting member must request this status of the current voting body via the Chair of the U.S. TAG. All new voting members, as of April 2018, must be approved by a majority vote of the current voting body of the mirror committee. ASABE administrators will assist with this at annual meetings. It would be good to have shown active participation in the review, comment and calls of the TAG.

Observing participants may request to be added at any time. Please note above how an observing participant may review and comment on draft ISO documents.