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European foreword

This document ([EN 9145:2018](#)) has been prepared by the Aerospace and Defence Industries Association of Europe - Standardization (ASD-STAN).

After enquiries and votes carried out in accordance with the rules of this Association, this Standard has received the approval of the National Associations and the Official Services of the member countries of ASD, prior to its presentation to CEN.

This European Standard shall be given the status of a national standard, either by publication of an identical text or by endorsement, at the latest by April 2019, and conflicting national standards shall be withdrawn at the latest by April 2019.

Attention is drawn to the possibility that some of the elements of this document may be the subject of patent rights. CEN shall not be held responsible for identifying any or all such patent rights.

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Rationale

This standard was created to define the aviation, space and defence process requirements for Advanced Product Quality Planning (APQP) and Production Part Approval Process (PPAP). The APQP aspects of this standard define a methodology for ensuring that the product development processes deployed throughout the aviation, space and defence industries are fully integrated phased processes that extend from concept and design through manufacturing process planning and execution and on into product use, service and customer feedback. The PPAP is an output of APQP confirming that the production process has demonstrated the potential to produce products that consistently fulfil all requirements at the customer demand rate.

Foreword

To assure customer satisfaction, the aviation, space and defence industry organizations must produce and continually improve safe, reliable products that equal or exceed customer and regulatory authority requirements. The globalization of the industry and the resulting diversity of regional / national requirements and expectations have complicated this objective. End-product organizations face the challenge of assuring the quality of and integration of product purchased from suppliers throughout the world and at all levels within the supply chain. Industry suppliers face the challenge of delivering product to multiple customers having varying quality expectations and requirements.

The aviation, space, and defence industry established the International Aerospace Quality Group (IAQG) for the purpose of achieving significant improvements in quality, delivery, safety and reductions in cost, throughout the value stream. This organization includes representation from companies in the Americas, Asia / Pacific and Europe.

This document standardizes the requirements for the Product Development Process (PDP) through the use of APQP and PPAP methodologies. The establishment of common requirements, for use at all levels of the supply chain, should result in the elimination or reduction of organization unique requirements and the resulting variation inherent in the multiple expectations.

This document has been developed by IAQG to cover a wide domain of global applicability (Aerospace & Defence); please be informed that some standards have been developed by CEN to cover specifically space systems (e.g. CEN/CENELEC TC5 [EN 166XX series](#)). For European space applications these standards may be taken into account.

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Part:

0 Introduction

0.1 General

This standard specifies requirements in a structured framework to plan and complete actions of the product realization cycle which are necessary to ensure quality product(s) are delivered on time, while satisfying cost performance targets. APQP drives a quality focused approach to product development through the use of a phased planning process within which specific deliverables are established, monitored and tracked to closure, while highlighting and mitigating risks as they are identified. PPAP is an output of APQP confirming that the production process has demonstrated the potential to produce products that consistently fulfil all requirements while operating at the customer demand rate.

Successful implementation of APQP requires: management commitment and support from the beginning of the product development cycle and multidisciplinary project teams integrating all stakeholders and delivering a committed timeline for executing planned activities.

APQP has five phases (conceptually illustrated in Figure 1) starting with conceptual product needs and extending throughout the product life cycle. The actual duration of each phase will differ depending upon the scope and timing of the specific product and/or production development project. These phases are described as follows:

- Phase 1 – Planning:

The goal of this phase is to capture customer inputs, benchmark data, lessons learned, regulatory requirements, technical specifications, company know-how and strategy into a product concept and realization plan. This includes identification of the high-level technical, quality and cost targets.

- Phase 2 – Product Design and Development:

The goal of this phase is to translate the technical, quality and cost requirements into a controlled, verified and validated product design. Design validation is achieved using prototype, development, or production parts in test environments that can represent the customer's installation and subject the product to extreme conditions required by contract or regulation.

- Phase 3 – Process Design and Development:

The goal of this phase is to design and develop the production processes needed to produce product that consistently fulfil technical, quality and cost requirements while operating at the customer demand rate.

- Phase 4 – Product and Process Validation:

The goal of this phase is to validate that product fulfils the design requirements and the production processes have demonstrated the capability to consistently produce conforming product at the customer demand rate. Product validation is achieved using product produced from the defined production processes.

- Phase 5 – On-going Production, Use and Post-delivery Service:

The goal of this phase is to ensure customer requirements are continually fulfilled through the use of process control, lessons learned and continuous improvement.

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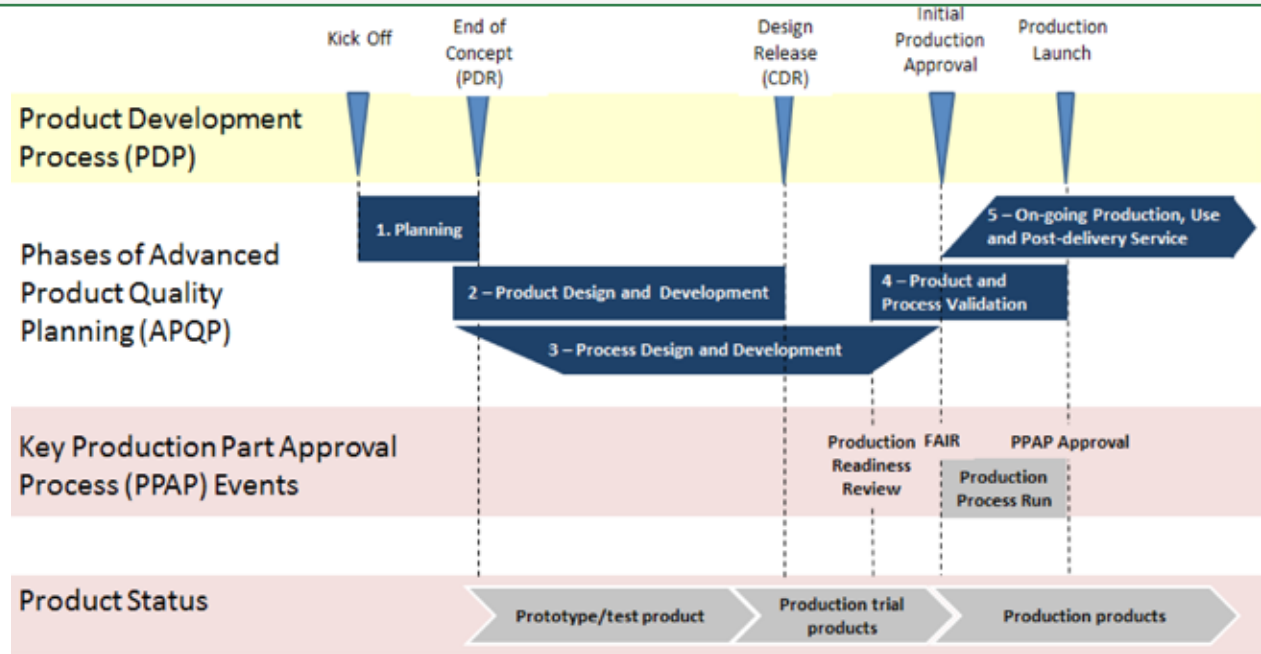


Figure 1 — Product development process and advanced product quality planning (conceptual illustration)

0.2 Application

This standard applies to new product development efforts, but can also be applied to products currently in production where changes are planned. It can be applied to the final product or selected levels of parts (i.e. parts within an assembly as defined by the organization or customer). When this standard is flowed down as a general contractual requirement (i.e. not for a specific program or project), the scope of applicability is established between the organization and the customer.

This standard is generally not applied to standard parts or Commercial-off-the-Shelf (COTS) items. Producers and their suppliers are responsible for flow down of the requirements of this standard, as appropriate, to suppliers who design and/or produce product.

When this standard is invoked, APQP and PPAP shall continue to apply when previously approved products and processes undergo change (e.g. introduction of a new production process, change to existing production process, change of production source, addition to the existing production sources).

1 Scope

This standard establishes requirements for performing and documenting APQP and PPAP. APQP begins with conceptual product needs and extends through product definition, production planning, product and process validation (i.e. PPAP), product use, and post-delivery service. This standard integrates and collaborates with the requirements of the [EN 9100](#), [EN 9102](#), [EN 9103](#) and [EN 9110](#) standards.

The requirements specified in this standard are complementary (not alternative) to contractual and applicable statutory and regulatory requirements. Should there be a conflict between the requirements of this standard and applicable statutory or regulatory requirements, the latter shall take precedence.

1.1 Purpose

The purpose of this standard is to establish a uniform approach to product realization across the aviation, space and defence industry ensuring that quality products are delivered on time, while satisfying cost performance targets.

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1.2 Convention

The following conventions are used in this standard:

- the word “shall” indicates a requirement;
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- words “typical”, “example”, “for reference” or “e.g.” indicate suggestions given for guidance only;
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2 References

The following documents, in whole or in part, are normatively referenced in this document and are indispensable for its application. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

[EN 9100](#), *Quality Management Systems - Requirements for Aviation, Space and Defence Organizations*

[EN 9102](#), *Aerospace series - Quality systems - First article inspection requirements*

[EN 9103](#), *Aerospace series - Quality management systems - Variation management of key characteristics*

[EN 9110](#), *Quality Management Systems - Requirements for Aviation Maintenance Organizations*

[EN ISO 9000:2015](#), *Quality management systems - Fundamentals and vocabulary (ISO 9000:2015)*

NOTE — Equivalent versions (e.g. AS, EN, JISQ, SJAC, NBR) of the IAQG standards listed above are published internationally in each sector.

IAQG Supply Chain Management Handbook (SCMH) – <http://www.sae.org/iaqg/>

- Advanced Product Quality Planning (APQP)
- Aerospace Advanced Product Quality Planning (APQP) Manual.

Advanced Product Quality Planning and Control Plan; APQP Second Edition; Automotive Industry Action Group (AIAG); <http://www.aiag.org>.

[ASTM E 2782](#), *Guide for Measurement Systems Analysis (MSA)*

[IEEE 1490:2011](#), *Guide — Adoption of the Project Management Institute (PMI) Standard; “A Guide to the Project Management Body of Knowledge (PMBOK Guide)” — Fourth Edition; www.ieee.org*

[SAE J1739](#), *Potential Failure Mode and Effects Analysis in Design (Design FMEA), Potential Failure Mode and Effects Analysis in Manufacturing and Assembly Processes (Process FMEA)*