

# 2026 OOC-API BSEE Referenced Standards Nomination Form

The objectives of this effort, as they have been since this industry's effort began in 2020, are for Offshore Operators Committee (OOC) and the American Petroleum Institute (API) to provide an avenue to:

1. Annually review the standards currently referenced in the Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement (BSEE) Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) with industry subject matter experts (SMEs)
2. Identify the industry-related standards with a broad-range of industry SMEs that need to be updated, added, or removed
3. Increase operating companies' knowledge of the standards referenced in 30 CFR 250.198

**\* Indicates required question**

1. Submitter Name \*

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2. Submitter Email \*

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3. Submitter Company or Organization \*

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4. Submitter Position or Title (within your organization) \*

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5. Were you or a representative of your company involved in the development of the Standard in this recommendation?

*Mark only one oval.*

Yes

No

I am not sure

6. Nomination Category \*

*Mark only one oval.*

New Standard for CFR incorporation by reference *Skip to question 7*

Update Edition for currently CFR referenced Standard *Skip to question 13*

Remove Standard currently CFR referenced

#### New Standard for CFR incorporation by reference

Reasons the standards incorporated by reference (SIBR) need to be reviewed include:

- The standard incorporated by reference is out-of-date.
- Technologies have evolved, and the standard listed in the CFR no longer reflects the current available technology.
- Lessons learned from using the older standard show that it is no longer up-to-date, and a newer edition should be used.
- Standard was withdrawn by standard-setting organizations and replaced by a newer standard.
- Standard organizations have released new standards that reflect current technologies and practices.

Timely updates to the BSEE CFR will allow for safer and more efficient operations, allowing industry to comply with the most up-to-date, relevant standards without needing to request alternative compliance.

7. **Nominated Standard Name** (include year of publication and official standard name, example: "API RP 2A-LRFD –2nd Edition (2019), Reaffirmed 2024")

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8. **Nominated Standard Title** (this should be the complete official title of the standard, example: "Recommended Practice for Planning, Designing, and Constructing Fixed Offshore Platforms – Load and Resistance Factor Design")

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9. How would you **rank the priority** of adding this Standard to the BSEE CFR Standards incorporated by reference?

*Mark only one oval.*

- Low (not urgent but should be updated within the next few years)
- Medium (many operators use this standard and it pertains to several BSEE submissions each year)
- High (BSEE should add this reference at the next available rule making due to its importance and impact on regulatory efficiency)

10. Please **describe why** you have **ranked** the addition of this standard as you have. This will help build consensus among SMEs reviewing all submissions. For medium and high rankings, please provide detailed justifications that can build consensus among industry and government SMEs.

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11. Select the **contextual situation** that fits your Standard incorporation recommendation the best.

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- Simple addition (The standard does not create any conflicts with other standards incorporated by reference or existing BSEE regulatory language.)
- Landing language needed (The standard does have identified conflicts with other standards incorporated by reference or existing BSEE regulatory language.)
- Workshop needed (The standard conflicts with other standards incorporated by reference and existing BSEE regulatory language.)

12. Describe the known **contextual situation** your Standard incorporation recommendation has based on your answer in the previous question. This information will be used by SMEs reviewing your recommendation and for any potential workshop that may be needed.

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Update Edition for currently CFR referenced Standard

Reasons the standards incorporated by reference (SIBR) need to be reviewed include:

- The standard incorporated by reference is out-of-date.
- Technologies have evolved, and the standard listed in the CFR no longer reflects the current available technology.
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- Standard was withdrawn by standard-setting organizations and replaced by a newer standard.
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13. **Nominated Standard Name** (include year of publication and official standard name, example: "API RP 2A-LRFD –2nd Edition (2019), Reaffirmed 2024")

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14. **Nominated Standard Title** (this should be the complete official title of the standard, example: "Recommended Practice for Planning, Designing, and Constructing Fixed Offshore Platforms – Load and Resistance Factor Design")

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15. How would you **rank the priority** of updating the edition of this Standard in the BSEE CFR Standards incorporated by reference?

*Mark only one oval.*

- Low (not urgent but should be updated within the next few years)
- Medium (many operators use this standard and it pertains to several BSEE submissions each year)
- High (BSEE should add this reference at the next available rule making due to its importance and impact on regulatory efficiency)

16. Please **describe why** you have **ranked** the edition update of this standard as you have. This will help build consensus among SMEs reviewing all submissions. For medium and high rankings please provide detailed justifications that can build consensus among industry and government SMEs.

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17. Select the **contextual situation** that fits your Standard edition update incorporation recommendation the best.

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- Simple addition (The new standard edition does not create any conflicts with other standards incorporated by reference or existing BSEE regulatory language.)
- Landing language needed (The new standard edition does have identified conflicts with other standards incorporated by reference or existing BSEE regulatory language.)
- Workshop needed (The new standard edition conflicts with other standards incorporated by reference and existing BSEE regulatory language.)

18. Describe the known **contextual situation** your new Standard edition incorporation recommendation has based on your answer in the previous question. This information will be used by SMEs reviewing your recommendation and for any potential workshop that may be needed.

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## Remove Standard currently CFR referenced

Reasons the standards incorporated by reference (SIBR) need to be reviewed include:

- The standard incorporated by reference is out-of-date.
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- Lessons learned from using the older standard show that it is no longer up-to-date, and a newer edition should be used.
- Standard was withdrawn by standard-setting organizations and replaced by a newer standard.
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19. **Nominated Standard Name** (include year of publication and official standard name, example: "API RP 2A-LRFD –2nd Edition (2019), Reaffirmed 2024")

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20. **Nominated Standard Title** (this should be the complete official title of the standard, example: "Recommended Practice for Planning, Designing, and Constructing Fixed Offshore Platforms – Load and Resistance Factor Design")

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21. How would you **rank the priority** of removal of this Standard in the BSEE CFR Standards incorporated by reference?

*Mark only one oval.*

- Low (not urgent but should be updated within the next few years)
- Medium (many operators use other standards and it pertains to several BSEE submissions each year)
- High (BSEE should remove this reference at the next available rule making due to its conflicts and impact on regulatory efficiency)

22. Please **describe why** you have **ranked** the removal of this standard as you have. This will help build consensus among SMEs reviewing all submissions. For medium and high rankings, please provide detailed justifications that can build consensus among industry and government SMEs.

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23. **Select the contextual situation** that fits your Standard removal from incorporation recommendation the best.

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- Simple addition (The removal of the standard does not create any conflicts with other standard incorporated by reference or existing BSEE regulatory language.)
- Landing language needed (The removal of the standard does have identified conflicts with other standards incorporated by reference or existing BSEE regulatory language.)
- Workshop needed (The removal of the standard conflicts with other standards incorporated by reference and existing BSEE regulatory language.)

24. **Describe the known contextual situation** your removal of the Standard incorporation recommendation has based on your answer in the previous question. This information will be used by SMEs reviewing your recommendation and for any potential workshop that may be needed.

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