

USACE Centers of Standardization
Charter
Approved by the COS Management Board, 14 July 06

1. Authority. Principal authority for establishing this board is AR 415-15. Supporting authority is conveyed by the CECW-CE memorandum dated 6 Mar 06 on Realignment/Establishment of Centers of Standardization (COS), FY06 and by directives and policy memorandums governing the Army Facilities Standardization Program (AFSP) in support of Army Transformation. This Charter will remain in effect until formal publication of the appropriate ER for Centers of Standardization and the AFSP.

2. Mission. The Management Board's mission is to provide corporate oversight and consistent COS execution in support of the AFSP.

3. Objectives. Objectives will include:

- developing and refining COS policies and processes;
- assuring consistent application of standards of the COS program;
- monitoring COS execution to meet the overarching objectives and priorities of the AFSP and standardization process.

Decisions made by the board will be achieved through consensus of board members. Unresolved issues or conflicting opinions within the COS Management Board will be forwarded to the Program Coordinator for Army Facilities Standardization Program (PC AFSP) for resolution and adjudication.

4. Board Composition. The Management Board is composed of key members from each COS and participating (advisory) members from HQUSACE, OACSIM and HQIMA. The Program Coordinator for Army Facilities Standardization Program will also serve as an advisory member. Each of the eight COS will have one voice when determining consensus or one vote on issues where required. Leadership and coordination of board meetings will be rotated among the COS Districts. The Board may invite other representatives or Division personnel based on topics to be discussed, however limited empowered representation is encouraged to facilitate issue resolution.

5. Meeting Frequency. The Management Board will determine, at its discretion, how often to meet and in what venue. The Board will meet semiannually as a minimum. The Board may also be convened at the request of HQ USACE.