

Changes to Posting Schedule for Revision Bulletins and Errata

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Revision Bulletins

Definition and History

- ▶ Revision Bulletins—
 - If circumstances require rapid publication of official text, a revision or postponement may be published through a Revision Bulletin.
 - Revision Bulletins are posted on the USP Web site with the official date indicated.
 - Revision Bulletins replace the entire published monograph including the specified change and are incorporated into the next available USP–NF or Supplement
- ▶ RBs have been scheduled to post every other month,
 - If there is a safety need, USP will post more frequently



Revision Bulletin to be posted monthly



Beginning October 2017

- ▶ This year USP has posted RBs every month except July
- ▶ Monthly posting allows RBs to roll into earlier publications in many cases
- ▶ Monthly postings shortens the compliance gap for affected organizations
- ▶ RBs will still be used for the same purpose, rapid publication to address safety or immediate compliance needs
- ▶ Interim Revision Announcement bi-monthly postings are unchanged



Errata to be published monthly

Beginning December 2017

- ▶ Like RBs, the same definition and process will be used
- ▶ The only changes to the process are the posting frequency and publication roll-up



Stakeholder Feedback



- ▶ Change control impact
 - Stakeholders expressed concern about implementing RBs in three days
 - The general practice of last Friday posting and first of the month official date is not changing, only the posting frequency
 - USP is sensitive to stakeholder needs and realizes weekend official dates are challenging

- ▶ Resource Constraints
 - Stakeholders commented that more postings require more resources to monitor and ensure compliance
 - USP is not planning to increase the use of RBs
 - Does spreading out the postings out to monthly maintain or constrain resources assuming the same number?

- ▶ Use of Revision Bulletins going forward
 - Stakeholder expressed concern that USP will use RB more frequently or outside of the Accelerated Revision Process
 - RBs will be used for the same reasons- safety and compliance expedience
 - Posting frequency and publication roll up are the only changes to the process

Accelerated Revision resources



Where to get more information

- ▶ Compendial notice regarding posting frequency change
 - <http://www.uspnf.com/notices/schedule-change-notice>
- ▶ Accelerated Revision Process
 - [Accelerated Revision Guideline and Revision History](#)
- ▶ Sign up for Compendial Updates
 - Receive email updates about official text postings
 - <https://www.usp.org/newsletter-and-information>

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