

Title: Withdrawal of IEEE Std 802.1D
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Dear << >>:

The IEEE 802.1 Working Group (WG) would like to inform you of our plans to withdraw IEEE Std 802.1D - IEEE Standard for Local and metropolitan area networks—Media Access Control (MAC) Bridges. The standard is due to expire at the end of 2021 and the IEEE 802.1 WG does not intend to reaffirm it. The technical specifications, protocols, procedures, and managed objects of IEEE Std 802.1D are completely subsumed within IEEE 802.1Q - IEEE Standard for Local and Metropolitan Area Networks—Bridges and Bridged Networks. The withdrawal of IEEE Std 802.1D will not result in any loss of functionality available through IEEE 802.1 standards. IEEE Std 802.1Q is actively maintained and amended by the working group. We are informing you of these plans because you have current references to IEEE Std 802.1D in your specifications.

IEEE 802.1 recommends you review your specifications for references to IEEE Std 802.1D and consider whether updates to your specifications are needed. A quick review of your active specifications by 802.1 revealed a preliminary, and possibly incomplete, list of those specifications with normative, informative and textual reference to IEEE Std 802.1D. These include:

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The procedure for withdrawing the standard involves IEEE 802.1 initiating an IEEE Standards Association (SA) ballot to confirm the withdrawal. We plan to initiate this process by July 2021 at the latest. Interested parties may join the SA ballot pool using their IEEE Account. IEEE Accounts provide access to a variety of IEEE online services. You can freely create an account at no cost and retrieve your login information from the IEEE website at <https://www.ieee.org/about/help/my-account/web-account.html>.

Thank you for your consideration on this topic. We look forward to continued collaboration between our organizations.

Respectfully submitted,

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