

ANSI ASC A117 COMMITTEE

STAFF OPINIONS POLICY AND PROCEDURES

1.0 Purpose. To provide the opinion of staff as to Committee intent with regard to specific provisions of ANSI A117.1.

2.0 Scope. A staff opinion is limited to interpreting the literal text of ANSI A117.1 or the A117 Committee's intent.

3.0 Limitations. A request for an opinion shall not be processed if it involves:

- 3.1** a determination of compliance of a design, installation, or product;
- 3.2** a determination of compliance of an equivalency;
- 3.3** a review of project plans or specifications;
- 3.4** a judgment or knowledge that is not readily available in the inquiry or which can only be acquired as a result of on-site inspection;
- 3.5** text that clearly provides the requested information;
- 3.6** an issue that cannot be clearly and concisely phrased in the question asked; or
- 3.7** a subject that was not previously considered by the A117 Committee or that is not addressed in the ANSI A117.1 standard.

4.0 Requesting an Opinion. Anyone may request a staff opinion.

5.0 Procedure for Requesting an Opinion. The request shall be submitted in writing to: Committee A117 Secretariat, 5203 Leesburg Pike, Suite 708, Falls Church, VA 22041, or FAXED to (703) 379-1546.

6.0 Request Format. A request shall include a statement in which shall appear specific references to a single issue and identifying the portion (section, paragraph, etc.) of the A117.1 standard and edition of the standard on which the interpretation is requested.

7.0 Format of Question. The request shall include a specific question or series of questions clearly worded so as to solicit a Yes or No answer from staff.