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

- 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](https://www.usp.org/newsletter-and-information)
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