



# Priority Action Report

## Digital Evidence

Digital / Multimedia SAC

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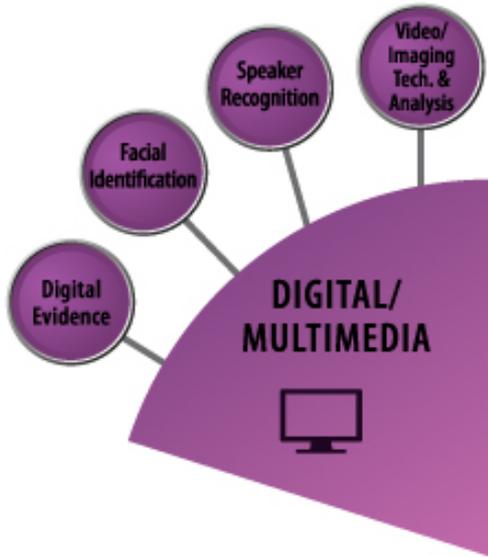


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# Discipline Description



The Digital Evidence Subcommittee focuses on standards and guidelines related to information of probative value that is stored or transmitted in binary form.



# Summary of Standards/Guidelines Priority Actions

Priority	Working Title of Document
1	Framework of a Quality Management System for Digital and Multimedia Evidence Forensic Science Service Practitioners
2	Establishing Confidence in Digital Forensics Results by Error Mitigation Analysis
3	ASTM E2678-09 Standard Guide for Education and Training in Computer Forensics
4	Forensic Audio Examination, Retrieval, Workflow; new standards derived from SWGDE Best Practices for Forensics Audio (3 new documents)
5	Best Practices for Preservation, Isolation, Acquisition of Mobile and other Embedded Systems, three new guidelines derived from NIST SP 800-101 Revision 1 - Guidelines on Mobile Device Forensics



# Standards/Guidelines Development Priority 1 Document

**Document Title:** Framework of a Quality Management System for Digital and Multimedia Evidence Forensic Science Service Practitioners

**Scope:** This document proposes minimum requirements regarding training/education, examiner certification, examination requirements and lab requirements

**Objective/rationale:** Describe the minimum requirements necessary to achieve quality assurance in regard to completing digital evidence forensic examinations

**Issues/Concerns:** The minimum bar may be too high for some to achieve

**Task Group Name:** Training/Certification

**Task Group Chair Name:** Andrew Neal

**Task Group Chair Contact Information:**

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**Date of Last Task Group Meeting:** 1/10/2017



# Standards/Guidelines Development Priority 1 Document

## Key Components of Standard:

- Employment Qualifications
- DME Training / Certification
- Apprenticeship
- Ongoing Training
- Competency and Proficiency Assessments
- Laboratory Standards
- Examination Procedures
- Review
- Reporting



# Task Group/Subcommittee Action Plan

Planned Actions	OSAC Process Stage (e.g., SDO 100)	Assignee	Estimated Completion Date
Assess SWGDE’s revisions that were requested by OSAC, DE Sub	SDO 100	Andrew Neal	8/1/2017
Continue to seek DMSAC and resource committee review			
If acceptable to OSAC, encourage SWGDE to push to SDO			
Once published by SDO, seek acceptance into OSAC Registry			



# Standards/Guidelines Development Priority 2 Document

Document Title: Establishing Confidence in Digital Forensics Results by Error Mitigation Analysis

Scope: This document presents an error mitigation analysis process for practitioners

Objective/rationale: The purpose of this document is to provide a process for recognizing and describing both errors and limitations associated with tools used to support digital forensics

Issues/Concerns: Gaining acceptance by the courts

**Task Group Name:** Training/Certification

**Task Group Chair Name:** Andrew Neal

**Task Group Chair Contact Information:**

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**Date of Last Task Group Meeting:** 1/10/2017



# Standards/Guidelines Development Priority 2 Document

Key Components of Standard:

- Error mitigation analysis
- Error mitigation techniques
  - Tool testing
  - Performance verification
  - Training
  - Review



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Continue to seek DMSAC and resource committee review			
If acceptable to OSAC, encourage SWGDE to push revision to SDO			
Once published by SDO, seek acceptance into OSAC Registry			



# Standards/Guidelines Development Priority 3 Document

Document Title: ASTM E2678-09 Standard Guide for Education and Training in Computer Forensics

Scope: This standard is specific to the computer forensics sub discipline of digital and multimedia evidence.

Objective/rationale: Improve and advance computer forensics through the development of model curricula consistent with other forensics science programs

Issues/Concerns: Work with organizations to adopt the model curricula

**Task Group Name:** Education

**Task Group Chair Name:** Marcus Rogers

**Task Group Chair Contact Information:**

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**Date of Last Task Group Meeting:** 7/10/2016

# Standards/Guidelines Development Priority 3 Document

Key Components of Standard:

- Qualifications
- Core Competencies
- Model curriculum
- Implementation including assessment, faculty, and facilities



# Task Group/Subcommittee Action Plan

Planned Actions	OSAC Process Stage (e.g., SDO 100)	Assignee	Estimated Completion Date
Continue to seek DMSAC and resource committee review	RA-100	Marcus Rogers	4/1/2017
Send proposed edits to ASTM committee to update standard			
Once updated by SDO, seek acceptance into OSAC Registry			



# Standards/Guidelines Development Priority 4 Documents

Document Title: Forensic Audio Examination, Retrieval, Workflow, three new standards derived from SWGDE Best Practices for Forensics Audio

Scope: These documents will comment on only those matters that may effect the audio forensic examination process

Objective/rationale: Provide forensic audio practitioners recommendations for the handling and examination of forensic audio evidence

Issues/Concerns: None

**Task Group Name:** Audio

**Task Group Chair Name:** David Hallimore

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**Date of Last Task Group Meeting:** 1/10/2017

# Standards/Guidelines Development Priority 4 Documents

Key Components of Standard:

- Audio Laboratory Considerations
- Evidence Retrieval
- Receiving Evidence
- Examination
- Administrative and Technical Review





# Task Group/Subcommittee Action Plan

Planned Actions	OSAC Process Stage (e.g., SDO 100)	Assignee	Estimated Completion Date
Original document broken into three sections; SWGDE to complete drafts using ASTM template	SD-100	David Hallimore	8/1/2017
Complete SDO packet and submit to DMSAC for review			
Review any DMSAC/resource committee edits			
Send to SDO			
Once published by SDO, seek acceptance into OSAC Registry			



# Standards/Guidelines Development Priority 5 Documents

Document Title: Best Practices for Preservation, Isolation, Acquisition of Mobile and other Embedded Systems, three new guidelines derived from NIST SP 800-101 Revision 1 - Guidelines on Mobile Device Forensics

Scope: Organizations should find these documents helpful in establishing their policies and procedures.

Objective/rationale: Help organizations evolve appropriate policies and procedures for dealing with mobile devices and to prepare forensic specialists to conduct forensically sound examinations involving mobile devices.

Issues/Concerns: None

**Task Group Name: Mobile Devices**

**Task Group Chair Name: Steve Watson**

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**Date of Last Task Group Meeting: 1/10/2017**

# Standards/Guidelines Development Priority 5 Documents

Key Components of Standard:

- Forensic tools and classification system
- Preservation
- Acquisition
- Examination and analysis
- Reporting





# Task Group/Subcommittee Action Plan

Planned Actions	OSAC Process Stage (e.g., SDO 100)	Assignee	Estimated Completion Date
Original document broken into three sections; DE subcommittee to complete drafts using ASTM template	SD-100	Steve Watson	8/1/2017
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Review any DMSAC/resource committee edits			
Send to SDO			
Once published by SDO, seek acceptance into OSAC Registry			



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# Standards/Guidelines Reviewed For Technical Merit

Title	Developing Organization	Status*	OSAC Process Stage (e.g., RA 100)
Framework of a Quality Management System for Digital and Multimedia Evidence Forensic Science Service Practitioners	ASTM	Complete revisions and move through SDO Process	SD-100
Establishing Confidence in Digital Forensics Results by Error Mitigation Analysis	ASTM	Complete revisions and move through SDO Process	SD-100
ASTM E2678-09 Standard Guide for Education and Training in Computer Forensics	ASTM	Complete revisions and update SDO	RA-100



# Additional Items of Interest

- Short Term
  - SDO and tech merit forms completed
  - TGs working with both SWGDE and OSAC DE Sub revisions
  - Move through SDO/Registry process
- Long Term
  - Lab accreditation
  - Method / process validation
  - National examiner certification



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