

R12 - National Technology Transfer and Advancement Act (NTTAA)

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United States Congress. *National Technology Transfer and Advancement Act of 1995*. Public Law 104-113, enacted 7 March 1996.

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<https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/PLAW-104publ113/pdf/PLAW-104publ113.pdf>

Note

This reference establishes United States federal policy concerning the use of voluntary consensus standards developed by standards development organizations.

The NTTAA directs federal agencies to use voluntary consensus standards in lieu of government-unique standards whenever practical and consistent with applicable law, policy, mission, priorities, and budget resources. It also encourages federal participation in developing such standards.

FDIS-RA cites this legislation to provide policy context for:

- Use of voluntary consensus standards
- Participation in standards development
- Adoption of open standards
- Interoperability across organizations and jurisdictions
- Standards-based architectural governance

The NTTAA provides the statutory foundation for the federal standards policy, further described by [Office of Management and Budget Circular A-119](#).

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