Change

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Discussion

A Change is an alteration to an identifiable entity. The term is intentionally general so it can be applied consistently across software, hardware, data, Configurations, Test Assets, documentation, Requirements, Policies, and other governed entities.

A Change may alter:

- Content
- Structure
- Behavior
- Configuration
- Relationships
- Interfaces
- State
- Deployment
- Applicable constraints

A Change may be proposed, assessed, authorized, implemented, verified, rejected, deferred, canceled, superseded, or rolled back. These descriptions indicate the state or disposition of the Change and do not create different kinds of Change.

Definition

alteration to an identifiable entity

Source

Dido Solutions, Inc. and Jackrabbit Consulting, Inc., derived from the change and configuration-management concepts in ISO/IEC/IEEE 12207:2017 and ISO 10007:2017

Note

A Change identifies what is altered. It does not, by itself, indicate that the alteration is authorized, implemented, successful, acceptable, or incorporated into a Baseline.

A proposed Change describes an alteration submitted for consideration. An authorized Change is permitted by a Change Authorization. An implemented Change describes an alteration that was made

to the applicable entity.

The actual alteration may differ from the proposed or authorized Change because implementation may fail, stop early, be partially completed, or be rolled back. DIDO-TE preserves these distinctions through Provenance and Traceability.

Example

Replacing one Test Executable version with another is a Change to a Test Asset. The Change is not authorized merely because it has been proposed or technically prepared.

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