## **Naval Safety Command**

## **Use of Temporary Standing Orders**



The Engineering Operational Sequencing System User's Guide allows for the safe operation of engineering equipment in a non-standard configuration and provides guidance for locally-developed deviation from current operating procedures – a temporary standing order (TSO). A TSO is considered formal guidance for shipboard operation in a non-standard but safe condition.

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A TSO is only submitted when all other possibilities have been exhausted and deviation to operate equipment or system is necessary for shipboard equipment operation. The presence of a TSO does not exempt a ship from adhering to other requirements, such as Departure From Specification or Casualty Report criteria.

## TS0s

- A TSO should not be submitted just because it is easier to write instead of fixing the affected equipment or system component.
- A TSO must be written using the Engineering Department Organization and Regulations Manual's Appendix D provided format.
- Since the decision to operate equipment or system as a whole, outside of normal configuration, is a serious one, Risk Management must be considered in the decision process to place a TSO in effect. That decision resides at the Commanding Officer level.
- A record of each TSO must be maintained CURRENT and placed at ALL affected watch stations.
- It is recommended to create a TSO log for the watch stander to verify the effectiveness of the TSO placed on the equipment (i.e., soft patch/Emergency Water Activated Repair Patch on pin hole leaks).
- · All watch standers must read and be familiar with the TSOs.
- 1. JCN, DFS and CASREP numbers as applicable
- 2. Command directing the TSO (if off-ship entity)
- 3. TSO originator name
- 4. Approved and expiration dates (may not be in effect more than six months past approval date; if required, must be resubmitted for Commanding Officer (CO) approval)
- 5. System and component (nomenclature)
- 6. References (list of relevant references, drawings, EOSS procedures, etc.)
- 7. Problem discussion and degree of non-compliance
- 8. Affected watch stations
- 9. Required actions (specific listing, step by step, of expected operator actions)
- 10. Cancellation criteria
- 11. Submission and approval signature (submitted by Engineer Officer and approved by the CO)





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