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CHANGE REQUEST TEMPLATE

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CHANGE REQUEST

COMPANY NAME
STREET ADDRESS
CITY, STATE ZIP CODE

DATE

Change request forms are the primary project management tool used for requesting any changes to a specific project and are one piece of the change management process. All project managers must manage change carefully and implement a thorough change control process to ensure project's remain within their approved constraints. Some projects have many stakeholders with varying levels of interest in the project and change is an inevitable part of any project lifecycle.

The change request form is filled out by the individual who identifies the need for a change and submitted to the project team in accordance with the change control process. The project manager then leads the team in identifying the impacts of the change, whether or not it will benefit the project, and if it will allow the project to proceed within its approved constraints. The request is then submitted to the change control board with the project team's findings where it is reviewed and either approved, rejected, or deferred until clarification can be sought.

If the change is approved, all project documentation must be updated accordingly and the change must be communicated to all stakeholders. Some changes may also require re-baselining of the costs, schedule, or scope. There are many formats for change requests depending on the organization. Below is one example of a thorough change request form.

The following table shows a common format used for a project change request (next page):

Standard Change Request Template:

Change Request	
Project:	Date:
Change Requestor:	Change No:
Change Category (Check all that apply):	
<input type="checkbox"/> Schedule <input type="checkbox"/> Cost <input type="checkbox"/> Scope <input type="checkbox"/> Requirements/Deliverables <input type="checkbox"/> Testing/Quality <input type="checkbox"/> Resources	
Does this Change Affect (Check all that apply):	
<input type="checkbox"/> Corrective Action <input type="checkbox"/> Preventative Action <input type="checkbox"/> Defect Repair <input type="checkbox"/> Updates <input type="checkbox"/> Other	
Describe the Change Being Requested:	
Describe the Reason for the Change:	
Describe all Alternatives Considered:	
Describe any Technical Changes Required to Implement this Change:	
Describe Risks to be Considered for this Change:	
Estimate Resources and Costs Needed to Implement this Change:	
Describe the Implications to Quality:	
Disposition:	
<input type="checkbox"/> Approve <input type="checkbox"/> Reject <input type="checkbox"/> Defer	
Justification of Approval, Rejection, or Deferral:	

Change Board Approval:		
Name	Signature	Date

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