

# Techstreet - BuildingBlocks

Techstreet launches BuildingBlocks utility for industry standards saving time and increasing productivity for engineers – *BuildingBlocks is market's first service for pre-purchasing industry standards*

The Scientific business of Thomson Reuters today announced that [Techstreet](#), the one-stop source for online access to industry codes and standards, launched its new *Techstreet Subscriptions BuildingBlocks* utility, allowing engineers to pre-purchase documents for the first time from publishers such as ASTM (American Society for Testing and Materials), ASME (American Society of Mechanical Engineers), API (American Petroleum Institute), BSI (British Standards Institution), and IEEE (Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers) for fast and easy access to essential information.

**BuildingBlocks** lets Techstreet subscription customers buy standards in advance, in increments of 25, 50, 75 or 100 documents from selected publishers without naming specific titles. Users can immediately download required codes or standards on demand once their *BuildingBlocks* account is activated.

"*BuildingBlocks* is the latest innovation in our ongoing development of the *Techstreet Subscription* platform," said Todd Fegan, vice president of operations at Techstreet. "We continually evaluate customer feedback against our product development strategy to identify tools that can better serve the engineering community. As more organizations realize the value of a managed information system, *Techstreet Subscriptions* is becoming a business-critical resource for thousands of engineers globally."

"Product development cycles are now faster than ever before and engineers need to be able to keep up with emerging technologies and global supply and demand," said Philip Virta, product manager for *Techstreet Subscriptions*. "As such, customers realize the value that can be gleaned from the self-serve utility in *Techstreet BuildingBlocks*. It gives users the freedom and flexibility to add specific standards to their subscription, quickly and easily, without calling customer service or having to wait for an upload. Beta customers have been extremely pleased with the functionality in this new offering."

*Techstreet Subscriptions* is a Thomson Reuters Web-based workflow tool that enables access to a controlled set of industry standards in electronic format. The Web 2.0 interface is fast and intuitive, and includes advanced search and browse functionality, favorites lists, automatic updates, email alerts, real-time usage reports, an announcement board and other administrative features.

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