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2 Reference Standards

2.4 OmniClass[™]

2.4.4.3 OmniClass[™] Table 13 – Spaces by Function, May 2011

2.4.4.3.1 Scope

OmniClass[™] is a comprehensive system consisting of 15 tables for classifying the entire built environment throughout the full project life-cycle. *Table 13 – Spaces by function* provides a hierarchical taxonomy for classifying and identifying spaces by function. The whole OmniClass system can be used to organize many different forms of information for use in preparing project information, communicating exchange information, cost information, specification information, and other information that is generated during the services carried out throughout the project life-cycle.

2.4.4.3.2 Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

- ISO Technical Report 14177, Classification of Information in the Construction Industry, July 1994
- ISO 12006-2:2001, Organization of Information about Construction Works - Part 2: Framework for Classification of Information

2.4.4.3.3 Terms, definitions, symbols, units and abbreviated terms

For the purposes of this document, the following terms, definitions, symbols, units and abbreviated terms apply.

2.4.4.3.3.1 spaces by function

basic units of the built environment delineated by physical or abstract boundaries characterized by function or primary use

2.4.4.3.4 [OmniClass[™] Table 13 – Spaces by function, May 2011](#)

2.4.4.3.4.1 Introduction

OmniClass[™] Table 13 – Spaces by Function is an existing industry standard developed, managed, published and copyrighted by the Construction Specifications Institute, approved through the NBIMS-US[™] consensus process. *OmniClass[™] Table 13 – Spaces by Function* is incorporated in NBIMS-US[™] by reference so that it can be easily referenced in BIM Information Exchanges. Document follows.

2.4.4.3.5 Bibliography

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