**Specification States**

**Discussion Document**

Assume everything can change. This document is not complete yet and was created only for the purpose of conversation outside of the document.

**Development**

Assume everything can change.

**Stable**

Assume anything could still change, but limited change should be expected.

**Frozen**

Change is extremely unlikely. A high threshold will be used, and a change will only occur because of some truly critical issue being identified during the public review cycle. Any other desired or needed changes can be the subject of a follow-on new extension.

**Ratified**

No changes are allowed. Any desired or needed changes can be the subject of a follow-on new extension. Ratified extensions are never revised.