

Vocabularies & SKOS status

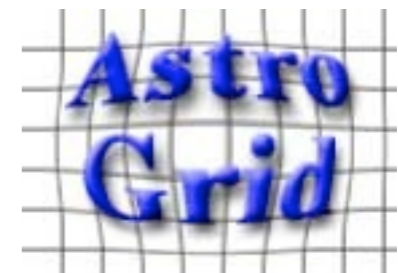
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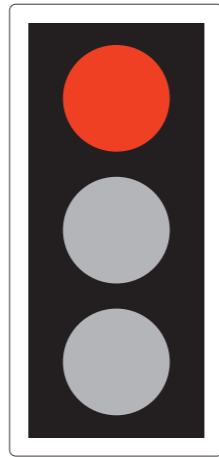
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■ The document is a Proposed Recommendation – see <http://www.ivoa.net/Documents/latest/Vocabularies.html> and TCG review: <http://www.ivoa.net/cgi-bin/twiki/bin/view/IVOA/VocabulariesRFC> (currently sparse).

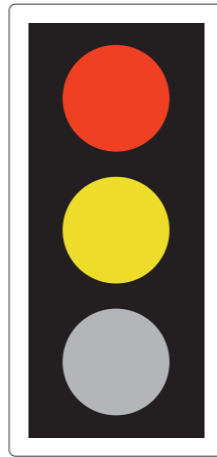
■ It is ready for, and we encourage, implementation, to go alongside the four current vocabularies.

■ It has a normative dependency on the SKOS standard <http://www.w3.org/TR/skos-reference>, but that is still a Candidate Recommendation, and will remain so until late June (but they've said that before).

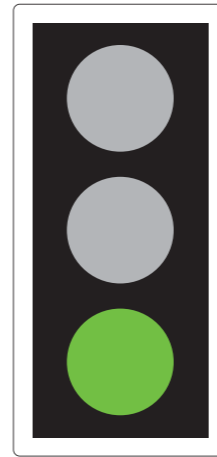
■ We expect *zero* relevant changes to the SKOS spec.



RED means
'Stop'. Wait
behind the stop
line on the
carriageway

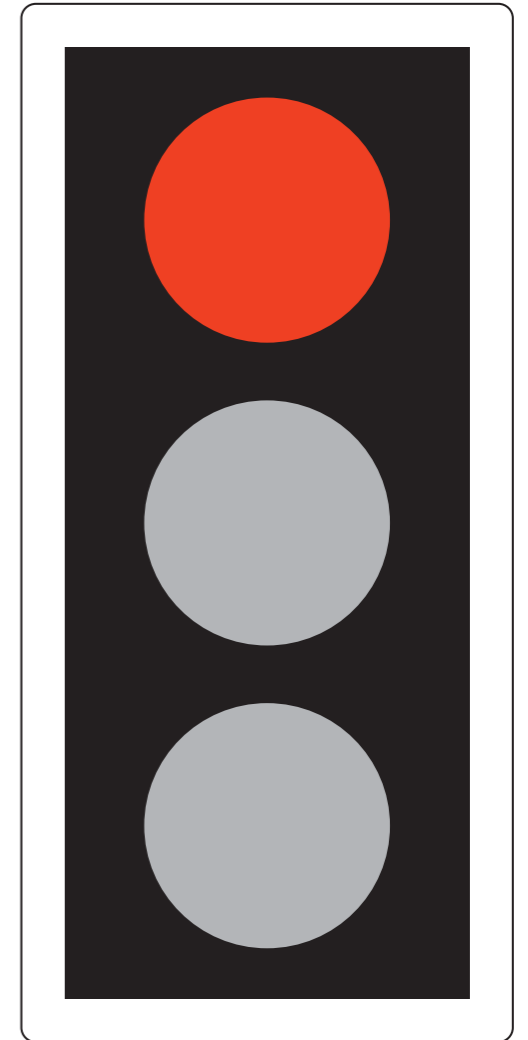


RED AND
AMBER also
means 'Stop'.
Do not pass
through or
start until
GREEN shows



GREEN means
you may go on
if the way is
clear. Take
special care if
you intend to
turn left or right
and give way
to pedestrians
who are
crossing

Do nothing until the SKOS standard is complete

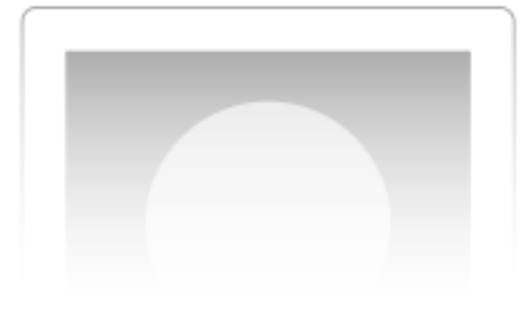
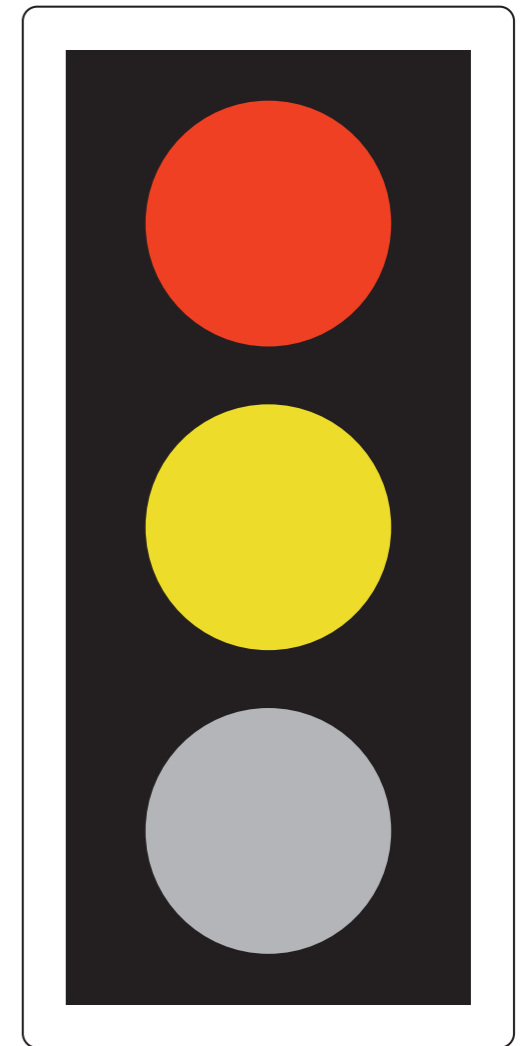


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Advantage: none I can think of
Disadvantage: slows things down unnecessarily

get ready

- Proceed as if there were nothing stopping us, completing all further reviews, but without actually going to REC.
- So we need some more TCG review!
- When SKOS goes to REC, we edit the appropriate line in the Vocabularies document, and immediately release our REC.



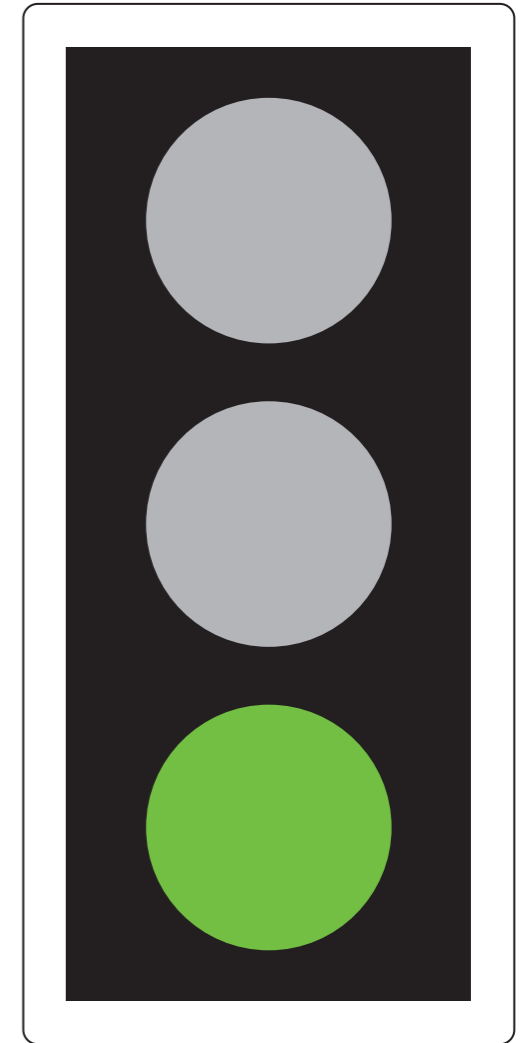
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Advantage: preserve the network of recommendation dependencies

Disadvantage: some people will be inhibited from implementing our spec (who?)

go ahead anyway

- Don't wait for W3C
- Go ahead with a normative reference to the draft W3C standard
- ...and then what?



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Advantage: get to REC sooner – but does that really matter? Who's being stopped?
Disadvantage: what's the point of a normative dependency, if we're happy to depend on non-standards?

Discussion

