



Transit Asset Management Initial Performance Targets

January 6, 2017

Background

Federal TAM Law

MAP-21 required that every transit operator receiving federal funds must:

- Establish TAM Performance Targets
- Coordinate these Performance Targets with the State and MPOs
- Develop a TAMP
- Report asset inventories, condition, and performance measures through the NTD

TAM Final Rule

Different Requirements for Transit Providers of Different Sizes

Tier 1 = Providers with 101 or more revenue vehicles in service during peak regular operations

MTA, Montgomery, and Prince George's counties are Tier 1

Tier 2 = Providers with 100 or fewer revenue vehicles in service during peak regular operations

All other LOTS are considered Tier 2

Maryland 5310 providers are exempt because they provide "closed-door" service

Requirements for Tier 1 Providers

Tier 1 Providers will:

- ✓ Set performance targets for their agency
- ✓ Develop and implement their own agency TAM Plan
- ✓ Report annually through the National Transit Database

MTA will:

- ✓ Fulfill its own TAM requirements
- ✓ Provide oversight and technical support for [Montgomery](#) and [Prince George's](#) counties

Requirements for Tier 2 Providers

Tier 2 Providers will:

- ✓ Participate in a group TAM process
- ✓ Agree upon group performance targets
- ✓ Participate in the development of a group TAM Plan
- ✓ Implement the group TAM plan within their agency

MTA will:

- ✓ Facilitate development of the group TAM Plan
- ✓ Submit reports to NTD on behalf of Tier 2 LOTS
- ✓ Provide oversight and technical support

*All LOTS other than
Montgomery & Prince
George's counties*

Final Inventory Requirements

Revenue Vehicles

All revenue vehicles [regardless of ownership or funding source](#)

Equipment (Including Non-Revenue Vehicles)

All non-revenue vehicles and equipment over \$50,000 in value

Note MTA has more stringent criteria for LOTS, requiring all equipment over \$1,000 in value.

Facilities

All administrative, maintenance, and passenger facilities [regardless of ownership or funding source](#)

Guideway

All guideway infrastructure (track, structures, power, train control, etc.) [regardless of ownership or funding source](#)

Final Performance Measures

Revenue Vehicles

% of assets at or past their useful life benchmark

Equipment (Non-Revenue Vehicles)

% of assets at or past their useful life benchmark

Facilities

% of assets rated below condition “3” on the TERM scale

Guideway

% of guideway directional route miles with performance restrictions



**FTA default is
an age-based
analysis**

**Physical condition
assessment is
required (only for
buildings w/
direct federal or
state funding)**

Performance Targets must be set by the federal deadline of January 1, 2017

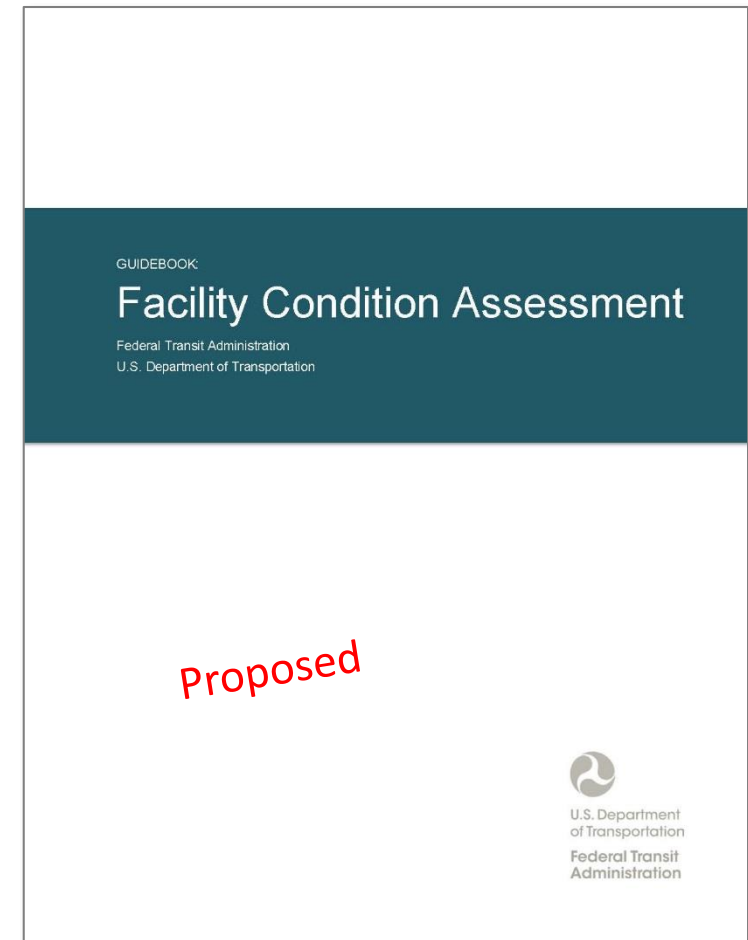
TERM condition rating scale for Facilities

Condition	Ratings	Description
Excellent	5	No visible defects, new or near new condition, may still be under warranty
Good	4	Good condition, but no longer new, may have some slightly defective or deteriorated component(s), but is overall functional
Adequate	3	Moderately deteriorated or defective components but has not exceeded useful life
Marginal	2	Defective or deteriorated component(s) in need of replacement; exceeded useful life
Poor	1	Critically damaged component(s) or in need of immediate repair; well past useful life

FTA Facility Condition Assessment Guide

- Background
- Definitions
- Data Requirements
- Methods for condition assessment

<https://www.transit.dot.gov/sites/fta.dot.gov/files/docs/Facility%20Performance%20Assessment%20Guidebook.pdf>



Requirements for MPO Coordination



For MTA and those LOTS operating in an urbanized area:

- SGR performance targets shall be coordinated with the MPO
- The MPO Long & Short Range Transportation Plans shall include:
 - A description of the SGR TAM performance measures and targets
 - A report evaluating LOTS asset condition against these measures
 - A discussion of how the TIP/STIP will help achieve the SGR targets

Requirements for NTD Reporting

All transit agencies to report:

- Asset inventories
- Performance targets/actuals
- Facility Condition
- Narrative on changes to asset condition

Tier 1's are responsible for their own NTD reporting.

MTA will submit NTD reports on behalf of all Tier 2's

Performance Measures In-Depth

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Revenue Vehicles

% of assets at or past their useful life

For each asset class

- Automobile
- Bus
- Cutaway Bus
- Ferryboat
- Van

Equipment (Including Non-Revenue Vehicles)

% of assets at or past their useful life

For each asset class

- Truck
- Other

Facilities

% of assets rated below condition “3” on the TERM scale

For each asset class

- Admin Facility
- Maint Facility
- Passenger Facility

Guideway

% of guideway directional route miles with performance restrictions

For each asset class

- Heavy Rail
- Light Rail
- Commuter Rail

Performance Measure Challenges

Barriers to measuring performance today:

- ✗ Incomplete asset inventories (the basis for calculating performance)
- ✗ Differences in federal, state, and local policies
 - Definitions (asset, equipment, etc.)
 - Useful life policies
- ✗ Incomplete guidance from FTA
 - Adopted facility condition assessment guide
 - Dealing with unique circumstances
- ✗ MTA and LOTS processes still under development

Performance Measures In-Depth

Revenue Vehicles

% of assets at or past their

useful life

Age (years)?

Miles?

Both?

FTA default useful life (for TAM purposes) is calculated in years

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MTA will base initial performance measures on age (years) only. Other methods of benchmarking the useful life of revenue vehicles will be considered for future years.

Performance Measures In-Depth

Equipment (Including Non-Revenue Vehicles)

% of assets at or past their **useful life**

Age (years)?

Miles?

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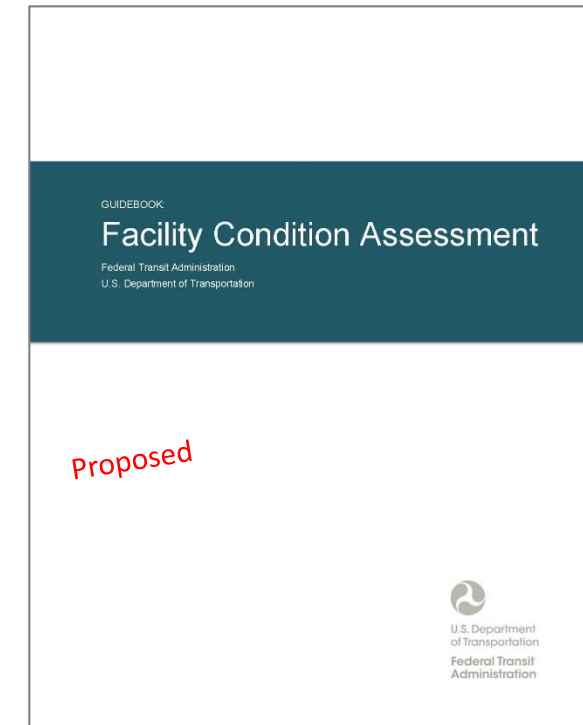
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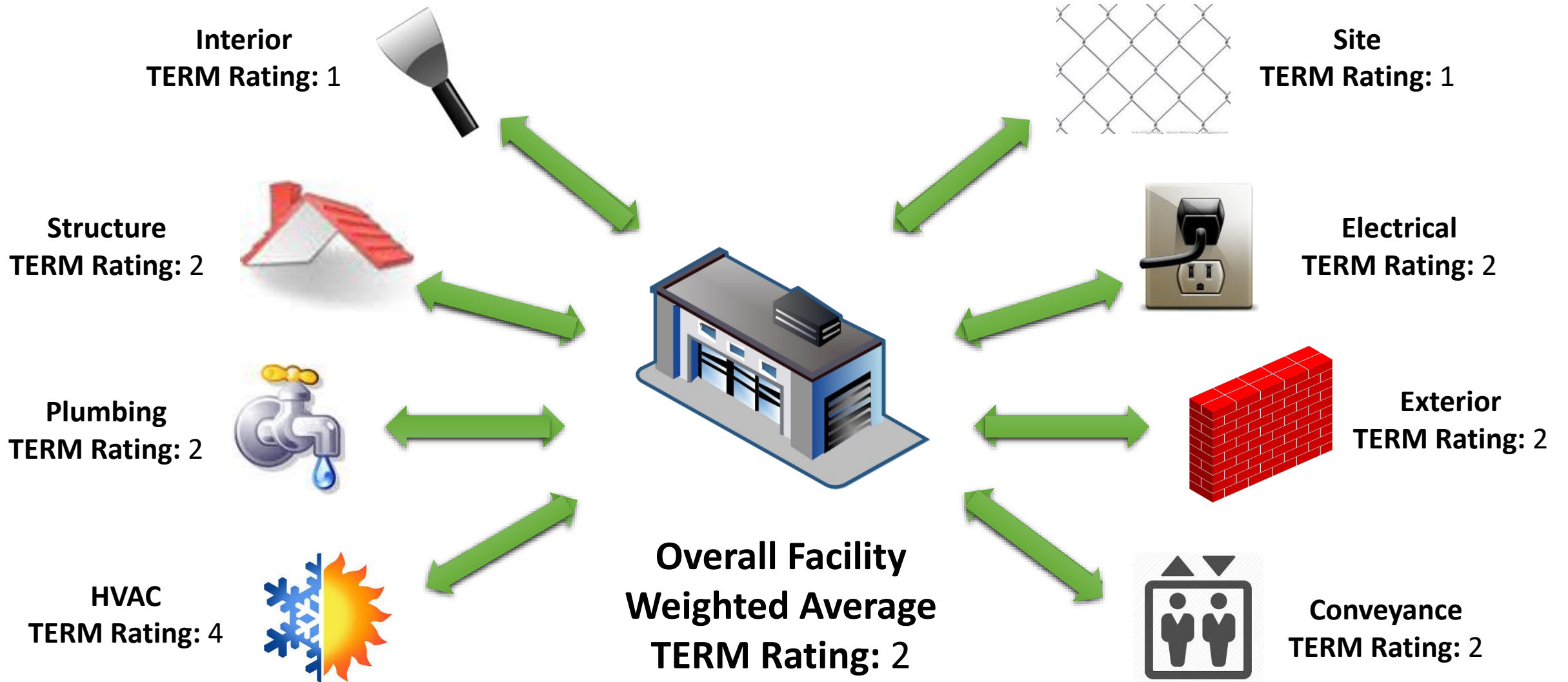
% of assets rated below condition “3” on the TERM scale



It's complicated...

NOTE: All facility TERM ratings must be expressed as integers (no decimals)

Component-Level Condition Assessment



MTA Performance Targets

MTA Revenue Vehicles

% of assets at or past their useful life

Mode	Asset Class (NTD)	BASELINE % Past Useful Life*	Initial Target
Bus	Bus (60 ' Artic.)	0%	0%
Bus	Bus (40')	4.7%	4.7%
Metro	Heavy Rail	88.9%	88.9%
Light Rail	Light Rail	0%	0%
MARC	Locomotive	0%	0%
MARC	Passenger Coach	0%	0%
Mobility	Cutaway	0%	0%
Mobility	Automobile	4.4%	4.4%
Mobility	Van	0%	0%

MTA Equipment (Non-Revenue Vehicles)

% of assets at or past their useful life

Asset Class (NTD)	BASELINE % Past Useful Life*	Initial Target
Steel Wheel Vehicles	61.1%	61.1%
Other Rubber Tire Vehicles (Service)	54.4%	54.4%

MTA Facilities

% of assets rated below condition “3” on the TERM scale

Asset Class (NTD)	BASELINE % Below “3” on TERM Scale*	Initial Target
Administrative Facility	21%	21%
Maintenance Facility	65%	65%
Passenger Facility	17%	17%
Parking Lot	58%	58%

** Estimates based on age of each facility’s components, not physical inspection*

MTA Guideway

% of guideway directional route miles with performance restrictions

Mode	Asset Class (NTD)	BASELINE % Slow Zones*	Initial Target
Metro	Heavy Rail	3.5%	3.5%
Light Rail	Light Rail	5.8%	5.8%
MARC*	Commuter Rail	5.8%	5.8%

* Baseline performance data not available from Amtrak and CSX; proposed MARC target is based on Light Rail analysis

LOTS Performance Targets

Tier 2 Revenue Vehicles

% of assets at or past their useful life

Asset Class (NTD)	BASELINE % Past Useful Life*	Initial Target
Bus (Heavy Duty)	23.8%	23.8%
Bus (Med Duty)	17.0%	17.0%
Cutaway Bus	59.5%	59.5%
Ferryboat	0%	0%
Automobile	50.0%	50.0%
Van	69.1%	69.1%

* Some Tier 2 data from Baltimore City was not available to include in analysis

Tier 2 Equipment (Non-Revenue Vehicles)

% of assets at or past their useful life

Asset Class (NTD)	BASELINE % Past Useful Life*	Initial Target
Trucks	31.3%	31.3%
Other Rubber Tire Vehicles (Service)	59.5%	59.5%

* Some Tier 2 data from Baltimore City was not available to include in analysis

Tier 2 Facilities

% of assets rated below condition “3” on the TERM scale

Asset Class (NTD)	BASELINE % Below “3” on TERM Scale*	Initial Target
Administrative Facility	25.0%	25.0%
Maintenance Facility	11.1%	11.1%
Admin & Maint Facility	25.0%	25.0%

**Tier 2 data from Baltimore Co., Baltimore City, Harford Co., Washington Co. and TCCLES were not available to include in analysis*

Estimates based on age of each facility’s components, not physical inspection

Passenger facilities should only be counted if they include an enclosed building with passenger restrooms, etc.

Questions?