TenStep® Project Management Process Overview

Project management refers to the definition and planning, and then the subsequent management, control, and conclusion of a project. It is important to recognize that all projects need some level of project management. The larger and more complex the project, the more there is a need for a formal, standard, structured process. Smaller projects still need a structured process, but it does not need to be as elaborate or as complex. Obviously, there is a cost to the effort associated with project management, but there are many benefits that are obtained as well. These benefits far outweigh the costs.

The TenStep Project Management Process is designed to provide the information necessary to successfully manage projects of all kinds. It contains the information you need to be a successful project manager, including a step-by-step approach, starting with the basics and getting as sophisticated as you need for your particular project. TenStep is a flexible and scalable methodology for managing work as a project. The basic philosophy is "large methodology for large projects, small methodology for small projects™". TenStep shows you what you need to know to manage projects of all size.

The TenStep model contains two views – a "ten step" view and a "process group" view.

Ten Step View	Process Group View
Not surprisingly, the TenStep Project Management Process™ is divided into ten steps – the first two for definition and planning, and the next eight for managing and controlling the work.	This view is based on the PMBOK Guide. It contains the same content as the "ten step view" but in a different model.
1.0 Define the Work	**1.0P Initiate the Project**
2.0 Build the Schedule and Budget	**2.0P Plan the project**
3.0 Manage the Schedule and Budget	**3.0P Execute Project Management Processes**
4.0 Manage Issues	**4.0P Monitor and Control the project**
5.0 Manage Scope	**5.0P Close the Project**
6.0 Manage Communication	
7.0 Manage Risk	
8.0 Manage HR	
9.0 Manage Quality and Metrics	
10.0 Manage Procurement	

The TenStep process contains all this and much more. There is a wealth of content available for free, and much more, including templates, white papers, flowcharts and training material, available to licensed users.