TEST PHASE

Purpose: The Test Phase(s) verify that the system functions correctly and according to the specifications.

Life of the Phase:

Unit Test: The phase begins during the Construction Phase when all Unit Test Plans have completed successfully.

Integration Test: The phase begins during the Construction Phase following completion of the Unit Tests of the interrelated modules and ends when the Integration Test Plan has completed successfully.

System Test: The phase begins during the Construction Phase following completion of the Unit Tests and Integration Tests and ends when the System Test Plan has completed successfully.

Stress Test: The phase begins during the Construction Phase following completion of the System Test and ends when the Stress Test Plan has completed successfully.

User/Acceptance Test: The phase begins during the Construction Phase following completion of the System Test and ends when the User/Acceptance Test Plan has \ completed successfully.

Test Level Definitions

Use the following tests as appropriate. For example, you may only need to do a Unit Test and a System Test. The tests required for your project should have been identified in the External Design Phase.

Unit Test: Testing that occurs for each individual module that has been developed/modified.

Integration Test: Testing that occurs for each group of related modules that has been created/changed within an application. For example, if you change module B, which interfaces with module C, this test will test the interface. Note that modules B and C are within the <u>same application</u>.

System Test: Testing that occurs for the functionality of the whole system that has been developed/modified. Verifies that the application and its interfaces are working.

Stress Test: Testing that tests the limits of the application and its interfaces. These limits will have been defined in the Investigation and External Phases. (Examples of limits are: