

## **WordSpec Uses and Limitations**

### **1. Description**

WordSpec is an add-in for Microsoft Word that gives SPECSINTACT users the ability to edit their SPECSINTACT Job specifications in Word. After Jobs are created in SPECSINTACT, specifications are converted from SPECSINTACT format into Word format for editing, and then back to SPECSINTACT format for processing and reporting. WordSpec is not a stand-alone application, but rather is an integral part of the SPECSINTACT software.

### **2. Limitations**

WordSpec does not support the use of Tailoring Options, and may be unsuitable for other upcoming SPECSINTACT features. Before a specification can be edited in WordSpec, WordSpec will first need to remove all Tailoring Option mark-up. WordSpec will accomplish this by prompting the user to select the Tailoring Options to be deleted from the specification. These Tailoring Options will then be removed, along with any remaining Tailoring tags in the document. Thereafter, the specification will have no Tailoring Option information available, either while being edited in Word, or after being converted back to SPECSINTACT format.

Because of this limitation, and the potential for other similar limitations in the future, WordSpec should not be used for Master text preparation. Master text preparers are strongly discouraged from using it to create or edit specifications.

More information about SPECSINTACT and WordSpec can be found at the SPECSINTACT web site, <http://si.ksc.nasa.gov/specsintact>.