

Microspeak: Going forward

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The jargon phrase *going forward* has largely replaced the more mundane equivalent *from now on*. It appears that I'm not the only person who is bothered by this phrase. Sample usages:

- We discussed the membership and timeframe for support team meetings going forward.
- There will be change to the status reports going forward.
- Going forward we will be doing this for every milestone.

Notice that the phrase *going forward* usually adds little to the sentence. You can delete it from all of the sentences above and nobody would notice a difference.

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