What is a 6S Class A Shop?

The NTMA envisions a Class A shop to look like the following:

**Building Exterior:**
- Landscaped, well painted or surface in good condition.

**Building Interior:**
- Floors, Painted, tiled or clean concrete.
- Walkways clear wide and marked.
- Ceilings – Clean, dropped or painted.

**Environment:**
- Air cleaners, temperature controlled, well ventilated.
- Lighting – Bright 40fc or better, task lighting where needed.

**Work Areas:**
- Clean, neat, organized, Part handling boxes, carts or trays.
- Similar areas standardized, use of white boards when possible.
- Areas marked and identified, chips picked-up.
- Tool storage identified.

**Material & Hardware:**
- Stored neatly, marked or identified.

**Lunch Room:**
- Separate room or area away from manufacturing.

**Part cleaning, assembly and finishing areas:**
- Organized and scheduled cleaned.

**Oil, coolants hazards:**
- Identified and stored safely.

**Safety:**
- Machine Guards used and in place.
- Personal protective equipment used and enforced.

**Quality Room:**
- Clean temperature controlled, OK to have Quality in cells.

**Equipment:**
- Modern, well maintained, scheduled cleaned.
- Oil, chips and coolant spill control.

**House Keeping:**
- Scheduled trash and chip pick up and cleaning.
- Cleaning tools in central areas.

**Office areas:**
- Paperwork neat and in place.
- Floors clean.
- Clean modern washrooms, cleaned on a schedule.

**Employee appearance:**
- Shop logo’d or other appropriate clean attire.

**Shop age:** The older the shop, e.g. wooden shop partitions, cracked, stained, clean concrete floors, etc. the better the housekeeping has to be.