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Accreditation Criteria

For

Road Traffic Safety Management Systems

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0.0 Foreword:

The Government of India and the Indian Industry came together to establish the accreditation system in response to the need of the industry and the certification bodies of Management Systems (QMS, EMS, OHSMS, EnMS, ITSMS and other Management Systems), who were largely dependent on the accreditation systems of Europe and US.

A Council with representation from Government, Industry, Certification Bodies, Non Government Organizations (NGO), etc. was formed and named as **Quality Council of India (QCI)**. This Council was entrusted with the task of establishing the accreditation system in India. A **National Accreditation Board for Certification Bodies (NABCB)** was established to implement the accreditation of the Certification Bodies.

The NABCB has already published Accreditation Criteria for QMS, EMS, FSMS, OHSMS, ISMS, ITSMS, EnMS, MDQMS, Inspection, Product and Personnel Certification Bodies. This document sets out the Accreditation criteria for Certification Bodies providing certification for '**Road Traffic Safety Management Systems**' based on ISO 39001 - Road Traffic Safety Management Systems standard or any of its national adoption meeting the requirements of the NABCB Policy on recognition of standards under accreditation schemes for certification.

1.0 Scope:

This document specifies the requirements that a third party certification body (CB) operating a Road Traffic Safety Management Systems (RTSMS) Certification Programme shall meet if it is to be recognized by the Board as competent and reliable in the operation of RTSMS Certification.

2.0 Criteria

The Certification Bodies seeking accreditation for Road Traffic Safety Management Systems Certification shall comply with the requirements specified in **ISO/IEC 17021-“Conformity assessment — Requirements for bodies providing audit and certification of management systems”**

3.0 Adoption of IAF/APAC documents

The Board shall adopt any IAF/APAC Mandatory Document on RTSMS including application of ISO 39001 as part of the NABCB criteria, whenever it is brought out. In the meantime, if any further clarifications beyond ISO/IEC 17021-1 and ISO/IEC/TS 17021-7- are required, the same will be issued by the Board on a case to case basis.

4.0 Scopes of Accreditation

The Board has decided not to specify any scope sectors for accreditation for this programme.



5.0 Certification Body (CB) Competence

5.1 Accreditation by NABCB signifies that the certification body is competent to offer RTSMS certification. The CB must have carried out an initial competence analysis for RTSMS scheme. The CB shall have a process to ensure that all personnel involved in RTSMS certification activities have knowledge and skills as per Annex A of ISO/IEC 17021 and ISO/IEC TS 17021-7 requirements.

5.2 The CB shall have a procedure for initial qualification and subsequent monitoring of its auditors and experts based on ISO/IEC 17021-1 and ISO/IEC/TS 17021-7. The CB shall establish procedures for qualifying an auditor / expert for a specific technical area

6.0 Time of the Audits undertaken by the Certification Body

6.1 The Board has adopted the mandatory document IAF MD 05 as applicable to EMS, issued by IAF, for the audit man days that are normally required for audit to verify compliance to ISO 39001 standard.

6.2 The Certification body shall have procedures to determine the audit man days required for audit for initial assessment, surveillance and reassessment. The procedure shall also include the policies for estimation of audit duration for multisite organizations and transfer of certificates, as needed.

Note: For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies



Amendment Record

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Mar 2019	CEO	To include reference to APAC and ISO/IEC 17021-7.