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# Scope of application

This document stipulates the general criteria of accreditation of conformity assessment bodies (hereinafter: CAB) accredited by the National Accreditation Body SNCO (hereinafter: ARMNAB), including the criteria of ARMNAB’s activities. This document also includes the accreditation schemes and list of documents.

This document can be applied by accreditation experts (assessors) and technical assessors/experts involved in the accreditation process, as well as by the interested parties.

# 2. Terms and definitions

Terms and definitions stipulated by GOST ISO/IEC 17000, GOST ISO/IEC 17011 standards are used in this document.

# Accreditation schemes

For each approved (published) accreditation scheme, the ARMNAB performs assessment in line with the requirements of national/interstate standard identical to the international standard.

The ARMNAB is competent to perform assessment with the following accreditation schemes:

* 1. Testing (level[[1]](#footnote-1) 2) - GOST ISO/IEC 17025-2019 (level 3),
	2. Calibration (level 2) - GOST ISO/IEC 17025-2019 (level 3),
	3. Inspection (level 2) - GOST ISO/IEC 17020-2013 (level 3),
	4. Product certification (level 2) - GOST ISO/IEC 17065-2013 (level 3),
	5. Management system certification (level 2) - AST ISO/IEC 17021-1-2015 (level 3),
	6. Certification of persons (level 2) - GOST ISO/IEC 17024-2014 (level 3),
	7. PT providers (level 2) - GOST ISO/IEC 17043-2013 (level 3),

# 4. Description of activities

# 4.1 The following documents stipulate the general criteria of ARMNAB’s activities:

4.1.1 GOST ISO/IEC 17011-2018 Conformity assessment - Requirements for accreditation bodies accrediting conformity assessment bodies

4.1.2 RA Law on Accreditation (HO-20-N, as of 08.02.2012), which includes the requirements of the document Regulation (EC) No 765/2008

4.1.3 ‘‘Procedure on accreditation of conformity assessment bodies’’ RA government decree N 1201-N of 6 September 2012

4.1.4 EA, ILAC, IAF documents in line with the updated EA/INF-01 document ‘List of EA publications and international documents’

4.1.5 Treaty on the Eurasian Economic Union (29.05.2014)

| **Document reference number [[2]](#footnote-2)** | **Document type** | **Document title** |
| --- | --- | --- |
| EA-INF/01  | Informative | List of EA Publications |
| EA-INF/02  | Informative | Contact Persons of EA Members, Recognized Stakeholders and Observers |
| EA-INF/03  | Informative | Signatories to the EA Multilateral Agreement |
| EA-INF/04  | Informative | Statement on acceptance and recognition of activities under the EA MLA |
| EA-INF/05 | Informative | Directory of European legislations and EU schemes with provisions to accreditation and/or conformity assessment |
| EA-INF/07  | Informative | National Accreditation Body – Communication with National Regulators - Best Practice Guide |
| EA-INF/15 | Informative | Joint EA-EDQM Communication regarding Cooperation when carrying out (joint) audits/assessments in Official Medicines Control Laboratories |
| EA-INF/16 | Informative | List of most common acronyms and abbreviationsused in EA |
| EA-INF/17 | Informative | Register of EA resolutions for use by National Accreditation Bodies and EA evaluators |
| EA-1/06 A+AB | Governance and policy  | EA Multilateral Agreement. Criteria for signing. Policy and procedures for development |
| EA-1/13 А | Governance and policy  | Peer evaluation of a National Accreditation Body that is member of another Regional Accreditation Group or unaffiliated |
| EA-1/14 A  | Governance and policy  | Procedure for Development and Approval of EADocuments and the Adoption of ILAC/IAF Documents |
| EA-1/15 A | Governance and policy  | EA Policy for Relations with Stakeholders |
| ЕА-1/17 А | Governance and policy  | ЕА rules and procedures |
| ЕА-1/17 S1 A+AB | Governance and policy  | Supplement 1 to ЕА-1/17, Criteria for Membership |
| EA-1/17 S3 A | Governance and policy  | Supplement 3 to ЕА-1/17, Procedure for theinvestigation and resolution of Complaints and Appeals |
| EA-1/17 S4 A | Governance and policy  | Supplement 4 to EA-1/17, Proxy procedure |
| ЕА-1/17 S5 A+AB | Governance and policy  | Supplement 5 to EA-1/17, Levying of MembershipFees |
| EA-1/19 A | Governance and policy  | Rules for use of ЕА logo |
| EA-1/20 A | Governance and policy  | EA Procedure for the control of expenditures andpreparation of budgets |
| ЕА-1/20 S1 A+AB | Governance and policy  | EA Supplement 1 to EA-1/20. Terms and conditionsfor financial compensation from the operating grantto an EA National Accreditation Body |
| EA-1/21 A+AB | Governance and policy  | EA Internal Procedure for Liaison Activities |
| EA-1/22 A+AB | Governance and policy  | EA procedure and criteria for the evaluation ofconformity assessment schemes by EA accreditation body members |
| EA – 1/23 A | Governance and policy  | EA policy to speak with “One Voice” |
| ЕА-2/02 М | Process  | EA Procedure for the evaluation of a National Accreditation Body |
| EA-2/02 S4 G | Process | Procedure for remote peer evaluations duringextraordinary events or circumstances |
| EA-2/13 М | Mandatory | EA Cross Border Accreditation Policy and Procedure for Cross Border Cooperation between EA Members |
| EA-2/15 M | Mandatory | EA Requirements for the Accreditation of Flexible Scopes |
| EA-2/18 INF | Informative | Guidelines for Accreditation Bodies on the content of the scopes of accreditation for proficiency testing providers |
| EA-2/19 INF | Informative | List of risks for accreditation processes and operation of national accreditation bodies |
| EA-2/20 G | Guidance | Consultancy, and the Independence of Conformity Assessment Bodies |
| EA-2/21 G | Guidance | Guidance on remote assessments |
| ЕА-3/01 М | Mandatory | EA Conditions for the use of Accreditation Symbols, Logos and other claims of accreditation and reference to the EA MLA Signatory status |
| EA-3/02 | Mandatory | EA policy for the accreditation of Certification Bodies providing certification of PDO, PGI and TSG |
| ЕА-3/12 М | Mandatory | EA Policy for the Accreditation of Organic Production Certification  |
| EA-4/22 G  | Guidance | Guidance on Accreditation of Pesticide Residues Analysis in Food and Feed |
| ILAC-P5 | Policy | ILAC Mutual Recognition Arrangement: Scope and Obligations |
| ILAC-P8 | Policy | ILAC Mutual Recognition Arrangement (Arrangement): Supplementary Requirements for the Use of Accreditation Symbols and for Claims of Accreditation Status by Accredited Conformity Assessment Bodies |
| ILAC-P9 | Policy | ILAC Policy for Proficiency Testing and/or Interlaboratory comparisons other than Proficiency Testing |
| ILAC-P10 | Policy | ILAC Policy on Metrological Traceability of Measurement Results |
| ILAC-P14 | Policy | ILAC Policy for Measurement Uncertainty in Calibration |
| ILAC-P15 | Policy | Application of ISO/IEC 17020:2012 for the Accreditation of Inspection Bodies |
| ILAC G3 | Guidance  | Guidelines for Training Courses for Assessors Used by Accreditation Bodies |
| ILAC G21 | Guidance  | Cross Frontier Accreditation – Principles for Avoiding Duplication |
| ILAC-R4 | Rule | Use of the ILAC logo and tagline |
| ILAC-R7  | Rule | Rules for the Use of the ILAC MRA Mark |
| IAF PL 1 | Policy | Code of Conduct for Members of the IAF  |
| IAF PL 6 | Policy | Memorandum of Understanding |
| IAF-PL 8 | Policy | Rules for the Use of the IAF Logo |
| IAF-PL 9 | Policy | General principles for the use of the IAF Certsearch Mark -Issue 1 |
| IAF MD 1 | Mandatory | Audit and Certification of a Management System Operated by a Multi-Site Organization |
| IAF MD 2 | Mandatory | Transfer of Accredited Certification of Management Systems |
| IAF MD 4 | Mandatory | Use of information and Communication Technology (ICT) for Auditing/Assessment Purposes |
| IAF MD 5 | Mandatory | Determination of Audit time of Quality, Environmental, and Occupational Health & Safety Management Systems |
| IAF MD 8 | Mandatory | Application of ISO/IEC 17011:2017 in the Field of Medical Device Quality Management Systems (ISO 13485)  |
| IAF MD 9 | Mandatory | Application of ISO/IEC 17021-1 in the Field of Medical Device Quality Management Systems (ISO 13485) |
| IAF MD 11 | Mandatory | IAF Mandatory Document for the Application of ISO/IEC 17021-1 for Audits of Integrated Management Systems (Issue 2) |
| IAF MD 12 | Mandatory | Assessment of Certification Activities for Cross-Frontier Accreditation |
| IAF MD 13 | Mandatory | Knowledge Requirements for Accreditation Body Personnel for Information Security Management Systems (ISO/IEC 27001) |
| IAF MD 15 | Mandatory | IAF Mandatory Document for the Collection of Data to Provide Indicators of Management System Certification Bodies' Performance  |
| IAF MD 16 | Mandatory | Application of ISO/IEC 17011 for the Accreditation of Food Safety Management Systems (FSMS) Certification Bodies  |
| IAF MD 17 | Mandatory | Witnessing Activities for the Accreditation of Management Systems Certification Bodies |
| IAF MD 22 | Mandatory | Application of ISO/IEC 17021-1 for the Certification of Occupational Health and Safety Management Systems (OH&SMS)  |
| IAF MD 23 | Mandatory | Control of Entities Operating on Behalf of Accredited Management Systems Certification Bodies  |
| IAF MD 24 | Mandatory | Transition Requirements for ISO 50003:2021 |
| IAF MD 25 | Mandatory | Criteria for Evaluation of Conformity Assessment Schemes  |
| IAF MD 26 | Mandatory | Transition Requirements for ISO/IEC 27001:2022 (issue 2)  |
| IAF MD 27 | Mandatory | Transition Requirements for ISO 22003-1:2022  |
| IAF MD 29 | Mandatory | Transition Requirements for ISO/IEC 27006-1:2024 |
| IAF ML 2  | MLA document | General Principles on the Use of the IAF MLA Mark |

# 4.2 The following documents stipulate the general criteria for the testing laboratories’ accreditation scheme:

4.2.1 GOST ISO/IEC 17025-2019 General requirements for the competence of testing and calibration laboratories

4.2.2 ARMNAB, EA, ILAC documents, which are necessary for the assessment of testing laboratories

4.2.3 Treaty on the Eurasian Economic Union (29.05.2014)

| **Document reference number[[3]](#footnote-3)** | **Document type** | **Document title** | **Website where the document is uploaded**  |
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| **ARMNAB’s documents** |
| Annex to the order N 915-N of Minister of Economy of the RA, April 2, 2024 | Provision | Accreditation criteria, procedure and deadlines for accreditation, assessments of conformity assessment bodies | <https://www.arlis.am/><https://armnab.am/Documentlinks?CategoryId=3> |
| Annex of order N 1745-N of Minister of Economy of the RA, July 8, 2024 | Provision | Accreditation logo, accreditation symbol of the National Accreditation Body of the Republic of Armenia and their application provision  |
| PR-7 | Procedure | Accreditation procedure and general requirements | [http://www.armARMNAB.am/Documentlinks?CategoryId=5](http://www.armnab.am/Documentlinks?CategoryId=5) |
| Annex PR-7/ATL-01 | Requirements | Accreditation of testing laboratories |
| K-07 | Provision | Provision on inclusion of conformity assessment bodies in the national part of the Unified Register of the Eurasian Economic Union (EAEU) |
| PL-02 | Policy | Policy on CAB’s objection against the assessment team composition | http://www.armnab.am/Documentlinks?CategoryId=4 |
| PL-05 | Policy | Policy on participation in proficiency testing (PT) and interlaboratory comparison (ILC) |
| PL-06 | Policy | Policy on metrological traceability |
| PL-09 | Policy | Policy on cross-border accreditation |
| **ЕА, ILAC documents** |
| EA-2/15 M | Mandatory | EA Requirements for the Accreditation of Flexible Scopes | <https://european-accreditation.org/information-center/ea-publications/> |
| EA-4/02 | Mandatory | Mandatory Evaluation of the Uncertainty ofMeasurement in calibration |
| EA-4/09 G | Guidance  | Accreditation for sensory testing laboratories |
| ЕА-4/14 INF | Informative document  | Selection and Use of Reference Materials |
| EA-4/15 G  | Guidance  | Accreditation for Non-Destructive Testing  |
| EA-4/16 G | Guidance  | EA Guidelines on the Expression of Uncertainty in Quantitative Testing |
| ЕА-4/18 G | Guidance | Guidance on the level and frequency of proficiency testing participation |
| EA-4/21 INF | Informative  | Guidelines for the assessment of the appropriateness of small interlaboratory comparisons within the process of laboratory accreditation |
| EA-4/23 INF | Informative | The Assessment and Accreditation of Opinions and Interpretations using ISO/IEC 17025:2017 |
| ILAC G8 | Guidance  | Guidelines on Decision Rules and Statements of Conformity | <https://ilac.org/publications-and-resources/> |
| ILAC G17 | Guidance  | [ILAC Guidelines for Measurement Uncertainty in Testing](https://ilac.org/?ddownload=123528) |
| ILAC G18 | Guidance  | Guideline for describing Scopes of Accreditation |
| ILAC G21 | Guidance  | Cross Frontier Accreditation - Principles for Cooperation |
| ILAC G24 | Guidance  | Guidelines for the determination of recalibration intervals of measuring equipment |
| ILAC-P8 | Policy | ILAC Mutual Recognition Arrangement (Arrangement): Supplementary Requirements for the Use of Accreditation Symbols and for Claims of Accreditation Status by Accredited Conformity Assessment Bodies |
| ILAC-P9 | Policy | ILAC Policy for Proficiency Testing and/or Interlaboratory comparisons other than Proficiency Testing |
| ILAC-P10 | Policy | ILAC Policy on Metrological Traceability of Measurement Results |
| ILAC-P14 | Policy | ILAC Policy for Measurement Uncertainty in Calibration |

# 4.3 The following documents stipulate the general criteria for the accreditation scheme of calibration laboratories:

4.3.1 GOST ISO/IEC 17025-2019 General requirements for the competence of testing and calibration laboratories

4.3.2 ARMNAB, EA, ILAC documents, which are necessary for the assessment of calibration laboratories

| **Document reference number [[4]](#footnote-4)** | **Document type** | **Document title** | **Website where the document is uploaded** |
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| **ARMNAB’s documents** |
| Annex to the order N 915-N of Minister of Economy of the RA, April 2, 2024 | Provision | Accreditation criteria, procedure and deadlines for accreditation, assessments of conformity assessment bodies | <https://www.arlis.am/><https://armnab.am/Documentlinks?CategoryId=3> |
| Annex of order N 1745-N of Minister of Economy of the RA, July 8, 2024 | Provision | Accreditation logo, accreditation symbol of the National Accreditation Body of the Republic of Armenia and their application provision  |
| PR-7 | Procedure | Accreditation procedure and general requirements | [http://www.armARMNAB.am/Documentlinks?CategoryId=5](http://www.armnab.am/Documentlinks?CategoryId=5) |
| Annex PR-7/ACL-01 | Requirements | Accreditation of calibration laboratories |
| PL-02 | Policy | Policy on CAB’s objection against the assessment team composition | http://www.armARMNAB.am/Documentlinks?CategoryId=4 |
| PL-05 | Policy | Policy on participation in proficiency testing (PT) and interlaboratory comparison (ILC) |
| PL-06 | Policy | Policy on metrological traceability |
| PL-09 | Policy | Policy on cross-border accreditation |
| **ЕА, ILAC documents** |
| EA-4/02 | Mandatory |  Expression of the uncertainty of measurement in calibration | https://european-accreditation.org/information-center/ea-publications |
| ЕА-4/14 INF | Informative  | The Selection and Use of Reference Materials. Reference |
| ЕА-4/18 INF | Informative  | Guidance on the level and frequency of proficiency testing participation |
| EA-4/21 INF | Informative  | Guidelines for the assessment of the appropriateness of small interlaboratory comparisons within the process of laboratory accreditation |
| EA-4/23 INF | Informative  | The Assessment and Accreditation of Opinions and Interpretations using ISO/IEC 17025:2017 |
| ILAC G8 | Guidance  | Guidelines on Decision Rules and Statements of Conformity | <https://ilac.org/publications-and-resources/> |
| ILAC G18 | Guidance  | Guideline for describing Scopes of Accreditation |
| ILAC G21 | Guidance  | Cross Frontier Accreditation - Principles for Cooperation |
| ILAC G24 | Guidance  | Guidelines for the determination of recalibration intervals of measuring equipment |
| ILAC-P8 | Policy | ILAC Mutual Recognition Arrangement (Arrangement): Supplementary Requirements for the Use of Accreditation Symbols and for Claims of Accreditation Status by Accredited Conformity Assessment Bodies |
| ILAC-P9 | Policy | ILAC Policy for Proficiency Testing and/or Interlaboratory comparisons other than Proficiency Testing |
| ILAC-P10 | Policy | ILAC Policy on Metrological Traceability of Measurement Results |
| ILAC-P14 | Policy | ILAC Policy for Measurement Uncertainty in Calibration |

# 4.4 The following documents stipulate the general criteria for the scheme of accreditation of inspection bodies (including verification labs)

4.4.1 GOST ISO/IEC 17020-2013 Conformity assessment-Requirements for the operation of various types of bodies performing inspection.

4.4.2 For verification laboratories:

- Law "On Ensuring Uniformity of Measurements",

- order 133-N of February 19, 2018 of Minister of Economic Development and Investments, Annex 1 "Provision on organization and implementation of verification of measuring instrument".

4.4.3 ARMNAB, EA, ILAC documents, which are necessary for the assessment of technical inspection bodies

| **Document reference number[[5]](#footnote-5)** | **Document type** | **Document title** | **Website where the document is uploaded** |
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| **ARMNAB’s documents** |
| Annex to the order N 915-N of Minister of Economy of the RA, April 2, 2024 | Provision | Accreditation criteria, procedure and deadlines for accreditation, assessments of conformity assessment bodies | <https://www.arlis.am/><https://armnab.am/Documentlinks?CategoryId=3> |
| Annex of order N 1745-N of Minister of Economy of the RA, July 8, 2024 | Provision | Accreditation logo, accreditation symbol of the National Accreditation Body of the Republic of Armenia and their application provision  |
| PR-4.6.3 | Procedure | Evaluation criteria and procedure for new conformity assessment scheme(s) | [http://www.armARMNAB.am/Documentlinks?CategoryId=5](http://www.armnab.am/Documentlinks?CategoryId=5) |
| PR-7 | Procedure | Accreditation procedure and general requirements |
| Annex PR-7/AIB-01 | Requirements | Accreditation of inspection (including verification) bodies |
| PR-4.6.3 | Procedure | Assessment criteria and procedure for new conformity assessment scheme(s) |
| K-07 | Provision | Provision on inclusion of conformity assessment bodies in the national part of the Unified Register of the Eurasian Economic Union (EAEU) |
| PL-02 | Policy | Policy on CAB’s objection against the assessment team composition | <http://www.armnab.am/Documentlinks?CategoryId=4> |
| PL-05 | Policy | Policy on participation in proficiency testing (PT) and interlaboratory comparison (ILC) |
| PL-06 | Policy | Policy on metrological traceability |
| PL-09 | Policy | Policy on cross-border accreditation |
| **ЕА, ILAC documents** |
| EA-1/22  | Mandatory | EA Procedure and Criteria for the Evaluation of Conformity Assessment Schemes by EA | <https://european-accreditation.org/information-center/ea-publications> |
| EA-4/21 INF | Informative document  | Guidelines for the assessment of the appropriateness of small interlaboratory comparisons within the process of laboratory accreditation |
| ILAC-P8 | Policy | ILAC Mutual Recognition Arrangement (Arrangement): Supplementary Requirements for the Use of Accreditation Symbols and for Claims of Accreditation Status by Accredited Conformity Assessment Bodies | <https://ilac.org/publications-and-resources/> |
| ILAC-P9 | Policy | ILAC Policy for Proficiency Testing and/or Interlaboratory comparisons other than Proficiency Testing |
| ILAC-P10 | Policy | ILAC Policy on Metrological Traceability of Measurement Results |
| ILAC-P14 | Policy | ILAC Policy for Measurement Uncertainty in Calibration |
| ILAC-P15 | Policy | Application of ISO/IEC 17020:2012 for the Accreditation of Inspection Bodies |
| ILAC G24 | Guidance  | Guidelines for the determination of calibration intervals of measuring instruments |
| ILAC G27 | Guidance  | Guidance on measurements performed as part of an inspection process |
| ILAC G28 | Guidance  | Guideline for the Formulation of Scopes of Accreditation for Inspection Bodies |

# 4.5 The following documents stipulate the general criteria for the scheme of accreditation of bodies certifying products, processes and services

4.5.1 GOST ISO/IEC 17065-2013 Conformity assessment - Requirements for bodies certifying products, processes and services

4.5.2 Treaty on the Eurasian Economic Union (29.05.2014)

4.5.3 ARMNAB, EA, IAF documents, which are necessary for the assessment of bodies certifying products, processes and services

| **Document reference number[[6]](#footnote-6)** | **Document type** | **Document title** | **Website where the document is uploaded** |
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| **ARMNAB’s documents** |  |
| Annex to the order N 915-N of Minister of Economy of the RA, April 2, 2024 | Provision | Accreditation criteria, procedure and deadlines for accreditation, assessments of conformity assessment bodies | <https://www.arlis.am/><https://armnab.am/Documentlinks?CategoryId=3> |
| Annex of order N 1745-N of Minister of Economy of the RA, July 8, 2024 | Provision | Accreditation logo, accreditation symbol of the National Accreditation Body of the Republic of Armenia and their application provision  |
| PR-7 | Procedure | Accreditation procedure and general requirements | http://www.armARMNAB.am/Documentlinks?CategoryId=5 |
| Annex PR-7/ACB-01 | Requirements | Accreditation of product, service, process certification bodies |
| PR-4.6.3 | Procedure | Evaluation criteria and procedure for new conformity assessment scheme(s) |
| K-07 | Provision | Provision on inclusion of conformity assessment bodies in the national part of the Unified Register of the Eurasian Economic Union (EAEU) |
| PL-02 | Policy | Policy on CAB’s objection against the assessment team composition | [http://www.armARMNAB.am/Documentlinks?CategoryId=4](http://www.armnab.am/Documentlinks?CategoryId=4) |
| PL-09 | Policy | Policy on cross-border accreditation |
| **ЕА, IAF documents** |
| EA-1/22  | Mandatory | EA Procedure and Criteria for the Evaluation of Conformity Assessment Schemes by EA | <https://european-accreditation.org/information-center/ea-publications/> |
| EA-2/20 G | Guidance | Consultancy, and the Independence of Conformity Assessment Bodies |
| EA-3/02 | Mandatory | EA policy for the accreditation of Certification Bodies providing certification of PDO, PGI and TSG |
| EA-3/12 | Policy | EA Policy for the Accreditation of Organic Production Certification |
| EA-6/02 M | Mandatory | EA Guidelines on the use of ISO/IEC 17065 and ISO/IEC 17021-1 for mCertification to EN ISO 3834 |
| IAF MD 4 | Mandatory | IAF Mandatory Document for the use of information and communication technology (ICT) for auditing/assessment purposes | [https://www.iaf.nu//articles/Publications/6](https://www.iaf.nu/articles/Publications/6) |
| IAF MD 12  | Mandatory | Accreditation Assessment of Conformity Assessment Bodies with Activities in Multiple Countries |
| IAF MD 25  | Mandatory | Criteria for evaluation of conformity assessment schemes |
| IAF ML 2  | MLA document | General Principles on the Use of the IAF MLA Mark |

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# 4.6 The following documents stipulate the general criteria for the scheme of accreditation of management system certification bodies

4.6.1 AST ISO/IEC 17021-1 Conformity assessment — Requirements for bodies providing audit and certification of management systems — Part 1: Requirements

AST ISO/IEC 17021-2 Conformity assessment — Requirements for bodies providing audit and certification of management systems — Part 2: Competence requirements for auditing and certification of environmental management systems

AST ISO/IEC 17021-3 Conformity assessment — Requirements for bodies providing audit and certification of management systems — Part 3: Competence requirements for auditing and certification of quality management systems

AST ISO/IEC 17021-6 Conformity assessment — Requirements for bodies providing audit and certification of management systems — Part 6: Competence requirements for auditing and certification of business continuity management systems

AST ISO/IEC 22003 Food safety management systems — Requirements for bodies providing audit and certification of food safety management systems

AST ISO/IEC 27006 Information technology - Security techniques – Requirements for bodies providing audit and certification of information security management systems

AST ISO 9001 Quality management systems. Requirements

AST ISO 14001 Environmental management systems. General requirements on use

AST ISO 50001 Energy management systems — Requirements with guidance for use

AST ISO 22000 Food safety management systems - Requirements for any organization in the food chain

AST ISO/IEC 27001 Information technology — Security techniques — Information security management systems — Requirements

AST ISO 28000 Specification for security management systems for the supply chain

AST ISO 45001-2019 Occupational health and safety management systems — Requirements with guidance for use

AST OHSAS 18001 Occupational safety management system - Requirements

4.6.2. ARMNAB, EA, IAF documents, which are necessary for the assessment of management system certification bodies

| **Document reference number[[7]](#footnote-7)** | **Document type** | **Document title** | **Website where the document is uploaded** |
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| **ARMNAB’s documents** |
| Annex to the order N 915-N of Minister of Economy of the RA, April 2, 2024 | Provision | Accreditation criteria, procedure and deadlines for accreditation, assessments of conformity assessment bodies | <https://www.arlis.am/><https://armnab.am/Documentlinks?CategoryId=3> |
| Annex of order N 1745-N of Minister of Economy of the RA, July 8, 2024 | Provision | Accreditation logo, accreditation symbol of the National Accreditation Body of the Republic of Armenia and their application provision  |
| PR-7 | Procedure | Accreditation procedure and general requirements | [http://www.armARMNAB.am/Documentlinks?CategoryId=5](http://www.armnab.am/Documentlinks?CategoryId=5) |
| Annex PR-7/ACB-02 | Requirements | Accreditation of management systems certification bodies |
| K-03 | Provision | Provision on the application of the logo and accreditation symbol of the National Accreditation Body |
| PR-4.6.3 | Procedure | Evaluation criteria and procedure for new conformity assessment scheme(s) |
| PL-02 | Policy | Policy on CAB’s objection against the assessment team composition | [http://www.armARMNAB.am/Documentlinks?CategoryId=4](http://www.armnab.am/Documentlinks?CategoryId=4) |
| PL-09 | Policy | Policy on cross-border accreditation |
| **ЕА, IAF documents** |
| EA-1/22 A+AB | Mandatory | EA Procedure and Criteria for the Evaluation of Conformity Assessment Schemes by EA | <https://european-accreditation.org/information-center/ea-publications/> |
| EA-7/04 | Mandatory | Legal Compliance as a part of accredited ISO 14001:2004 certification |
| IAF ID 1 | Mandatory | Audit and Certification of a Management System Operated by a Multi-Site Organization | [https://www.iaf.nu//articles/Publications/6](https://www.iaf.nu/articles/Publications/6)[https://www.iaf.nu//articles/Publications/6](https://www.iaf.nu/articles/Publications/6) |
| IAF MD 2 | Mandatory | Transfer of Accredited Certification of Management Systems |
| IAF MD 4 | Mandatory | Use of information and Communication Technology (ICT) for Auditing/Assessment Purposes |
| IAF MD 5 | Mandatory | Determination of Audit time of Quality, Environmental, and Occupational Health & Safety Management Systems |
| IAF MD 8 | Mandatory | Application of ISO/IEC 17011:2017 in the Field of Medical Device Quality Management Systems (ISO 13485)  |
| IAF MD 9 | Mandatory | Application of ISO/IEC 17021-1 in the Field of Medical Device Quality Management Systems (ISO 13485) |
| IAF MD 11 | Mandatory | IAF Mandatory Document for the Application of ISO/IEC 17021-1 for Audits of Integrated Management Systems (Issue 2) |
| IAF MD 12 | Mandatory | Assessment of Certification Activities for Cross-Frontier Accreditation |
| IAF MD 13 | Mandatory | Knowledge Requirements for Accreditation Body Personnel for Information Security Management Systems (ISO/IEC 27001) |
| IAF MD 15 | Mandatory | IAF Mandatory Document for the Collection of Data to Provide Indicators of Management System Certification Bodies' Performance  |
| IAF MD 16 | Mandatory | Application of ISO/IEC 17011 for the Accreditation of Food Safety Management Systems (FSMS) Certification Bodies  |
| IAF MD 17 | Mandatory | Witnessing Activities for the Accreditation of Management Systems Certification Bodies |
| IAF MD 22 | Mandatory | Application of ISO/IEC 17021-1 for the Certification of Occupational Health and Safety Management Systems (OH&SMS)  |
| IAF MD 23 | Mandatory | Control of Entities Operating on Behalf of Accredited Management Systems Certification Bodies  |
| IAF MD 24 | Mandatory | Transition Requirements for ISO 50003:2021 |
| IAF MD 25 | Mandatory | Criteria for Evaluation of Conformity Assessment Schemes  |
| IAF MD 26 | Mandatory | Transition Requirements for ISO/IEC 27001:2022 (issue 2)  |
| IAF MD 27 | Mandatory | Transition Requirements for ISO 22003-1:2022  |
| IAF MD 29 | Mandatory | Transition Requirements for ISO/IEC 27006-1:2024 |
| IAF ML 2  | MLA document | General Principles on the Use of the IAF MLA Mark |

# 4.7 The following documents stipulate the general criteria of the scheme of accreditation of persons certification bodies:

4.7.1 GOST ISO/IEC 17024-2014 Conformity assessment — General requirements for persons certification bodies

4.7.2 ARMNAB, EA, IAF documents, which are necessary for the assessment of bodies operating certification of persons

| **Document reference number[[8]](#footnote-8)** | **Document type** | **Document title** | **Website where the document is uploaded** |
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| **ARMNAB’s documents** |
| Annex to the order N 915-N of Minister of Economy of the RA, April 2, 2024 | Provision | Accreditation criteria, procedure and deadlines for accreditation, assessments of conformity assessment bodies | <https://www.arlis.am/><https://armnab.am/Documentlinks?CategoryId=3> |
| Annex of order N 1745-N of Minister of Economy of the RA, July 8, 2024 | Provision | Accreditation logo, accreditation symbol of the National Accreditation Body of the Republic of Armenia and their application provision  |  |
| PR-4.6.3 | Procedure | Evaluation criteria and procedure for new conformity assessment scheme(s) | http://www.armARMNAB.am/Documentlinks?CategoryId=5 |
| PR-7 | Procedure | Accreditation procedure and general requirements |
| Annex PR-7/ACB-01 | Requirements | Accreditation of persons certification bodies |
| PL-02 | Policy | Policy on CAB’s objection against the assessment team composition | [http://www.armARMNAB.am/Documentlinks?CategoryId=4](http://www.armnab.am/Documentlinks?CategoryId=4) |
| PL-09 | Policy | Policy on cross-border accreditation |
| **EA, IAF documents** |
| EA-1/22  | Mandatory | EA Procedure and Criteria for the Evaluation of Conformity Assessment Schemes by EA | <https://european-accreditation.org/information-center/ea-publications/>;[https://www.iaf.nu//articles/Publications/6](https://www.iaf.nu/articles/Publications/6) |
| EA-8/01 G | Guidance | Guidance on Transfers of AccreditedCertification of Persons |
| IAF MD 4 | Mandatory | Use of Information and Communication Technology (ICT) for auditing/ assessment purposes |
| IAF MD 25  | Mandatory | Criteria for evaluation of conformity assessment schemes |
| IAF ML 2  | MLA document | General Principles on the Use of the IAF MLA Mark |

# 4.8 The following documents stipulate the general criteria for the PT providers’ accreditation scheme:

4.8.1 GOST ISO/IEC 17043-2013 Conformity assessment. General requirements for proficiency testing

GOST ISO/IEC 17025-2019 General requirements for the competence of testing and calibration laboratories

HST ISO 15189-2013 Medical laboratories. Particular requirements for quality and competence

ISO 13528:2022 Statistical methods for use in proficiency testing by interlaboratory comparison

ISO 21748:2017 Guidance for the use of repeatability, reproducibility and trueness estimates in measurement uncertainty evaluation

ISO 22117:2019 Microbiology of the food chain — Specific requirements and guidance for proficiency testing by interlaboratory comparison

ISO Guide 35 Reference materials. General and statistical principles for certification

ISO/IEC Guide 98-3:2008 Uncertainty of measurement — Part 3: Guide to the expression of uncertainty in measurement (GUM:1995)

ISO 5725 all parts, Accuracy (trueness and precision) of measurement methods and results

ISO 31000:2018 Risk management — Guidelines

4.8.2 ARMNAB, EA, ILAC documents, which are necessary for the assessment of testing laboratories

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| **ARMNAB’s documents** |
| Annex to the order N 915-N of Minister of Economy of the RA, April 2, 2024 | Provision | Accreditation criteria, procedure and deadlines for accreditation, assessments of conformity assessment bodies | <https://www.arlis.am/><https://armnab.am/Documentlinks?CategoryId=3> |
| Annex of order N 1745-N of Minister of Economy of the RA, July 8, 2024 | Provision | Accreditation logo, accreditation symbol of the National Accreditation Body of the Republic of Armenia and their application provision  |
| PR-7 | Procedure | Accreditation procedure and general requirements | [http://www.armARMNAB.am/Documentlinks?CategoryId=5](http://www.armnab.am/Documentlinks?CategoryId=5) |
| Annex PR-7/APT -01 | Requirements | Accreditation of PT providers |
| PL-02 | Policy | Policy on CAB’s objection against the assessment team composition | http://www.armnab.am/Documentlinks?CategoryId=4 |
| PL-05 | Policy | Policy on participation in proficiency testing (PT) and interlaboratory comparison (ILC) |
| PL-06 | Policy | Policy on metrological traceability |
| PL-09 | Policy | Policy on cross-border accreditation |
| **ЕА, ILAC documents** |
| EA-2/18 INF | Informative | Guidelines for Accreditation Bodies on the content of the scopes of accreditation for proficiency testing providers | https://european-accreditation.org/information-center/ea-publications |
| ЕА-4/14 INF | Informative document  | The Selection and Use of Reference Materials |
| EA-4/16 G | Guidance  | EA Guidelines on the Expression of Uncertainty in Quantitative Testing |
| ЕА-4/18 INF | Informative document  | Guidance on the level and frequency of proficiency testing participation |
| EA-4/21 INF | Informative document  | Guidelines for the assessment of the appropriateness of small interlaboratory comparisons within the process of laboratory accreditation |
| EA-4/22 G  | Guidance | Guidance on Accreditation of Pesticide Residues Analysis in Food and Feed |
| ILAC G21 | Guidance  | Principles of Cross Frontier Accreditation  | https://european-accreditation.org/information-center/ea-publications; |
| ILAC G24 | Guidance  | Guidelines for the determination of calibration intervals of measuring instruments |
| ILAC P8 | Policy | ILAC Mutual Recognition Arrangement (Arrangement): Supplementary Requirements for the Use of Accreditation Symbols and for Claims of Accreditation Status by Accredited Conformity Assessment Bodies |
| ILAC P9 | Policy | [ILAC Policy for Participation in Proficiency Testing Activities](https://ilac.org/?ddownload=3259) |
| ILAC P10 | Policy | [ILAC Policy on Metrological Traceability of Measurement Results](https://ilac.org/?ddownload=123220) |
| ILAC P14 | Policy | [ILAC Policy for Measurement Uncertainty in Calibration](https://ilac.org/?ddownload=123348) |

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