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**GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR BODIES OPERATING ASSESSMENT AND  
CERTIFICATION/REGISTRATION OF QUALITY SYSTEMS**

Authority To Issue

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## **1. OBJECT AND FIELD OF APPLICATION**

1.1 The object of this document is to define the criteria for bodies seeking accreditation of their Quality Management System (QMS) certification programme. Bodies seeking JAS-ANZ accreditation shall satisfy the requirements of ISO/IEC Guide 62:1996 and the guidance notes provided in Enclosure 1, which forms part of this document. The guidance notes have been prepared by the International Accreditation Forum (IAF) and may be amended from time to time by the IAF.

1.2 Accreditation in compliance with ISO/IEC Guide 62:1996 and the IAF guidance acknowledges that bodies possess the necessary competence and reliability to operate a conformity assessment system and will thereby facilitate their acceptance or recognition on a national and international basis.

1.3 In the event of conflict between the requirements of this document and that of referenced normative documents, the requirements of these criteria will take precedence.

1.4 The text marked by the bar on the right hand side of the page identifies the major differences between Issue 9 and Issue 10 of this document.

## **2. REFERENCES**

- A. ISO/IEC Guide 62 - General requirements for bodies operating assessment and certification/registration of quality systems.
- B. IAF GD 2, Issue 4, Dated 15 December 2005 - Guidance on the Application of ISO/IEC Guide 62:1996,
- C. ANZSIC Codes - Australian and New Zealand Standard Industries Classification.

## **3. DEFINITIONS**

3.1 As a general rule, definitions of ISO/IEC 17000 and ISO 9000:2000 are applicable.

#### **4. JAS-ANZ NOTES**

4.1 It is the responsibility of all signatories to the IAF Multilateral Recognition Arrangement to work within the normative documents specified by the IAF which are, for QMS, those documents specified in clause 1.1 above. JAS-ANZ is a signatory to the IAF MLA and therefore abides by its commitment. However the IAF guidance can not take into consideration all national aspects and as a consequence, JAS-ANZ has developed “JAS-ANZ Notes” which should be read in conjunction with the identified clauses in the enclosure to this procedure. JAS-ANZ Notes do not introduce new requirements but provides readers of the JAS-ANZ expectations in relation to certain aspects of the guidance.

4.2 The following JAS-ANZ Notes apply:

JAS-ANZ Note 1 (G.1.3.2): *Until IAF develops a fully detailed scope list, JAS-ANZ will continue to identify accreditation scope using two digit ANZSIC codes.*

JAS-ANZ Note 2 (G.2.2.2): *The technical areas referred to in this guidance clause shall be at the four digit ANZSIC code level or a system that provides equivalent analysis and rigour.*

JAS-ANZ Note 3 (3.1.2): *The scope of certification shall be sufficiently identified to align with the analysis conducted at G.2.2.3 c) thus ensuring a competent audit team is deployed to undertake the audit.*

#### **ENCLOSURE(S)**

1. IAF GD 2, Issue 4, Dated 15 December 2005 - Guidance on the Application of ISO/IEC Guide 62:1996

End of Procedure