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1. Application

This accreditation regulation applies for DANAK accreditation of companies according to:

- a. DS/EN ISO/IEC 17065 *Conformity Assessment – Requirements for bodies certifying products, processes and services.*
- b. DS/EN ISO/IEC 17024 *Conformity assessment - General requirements for bodies operating certification of persons.*
- c. DS/EN ISO/IEC 17021-1 *Conformity assessment - Requirements for bodies providing audit and certification of management systems – Part 1: Requirements*, in combination with additional requirements in other standards or technical specifications. The term ‘technical specifications’ is understood as documents issued by ISO in the same way as standards named ‘Technical Specifications’.

2. Determination of scope of accreditation

2.1. A scope of accreditation specifies which services are included in the individual accreditations. The scope of accreditation is evident from the decision on accreditation and is published on DANAK’s homepage.

2.2 The scope of accreditation is defined individually and is clearly delimited by statement of:

- a. The type of certification (management systems, products, processes, services or persons).
- b. Certification scheme comprised by the assessment such as type testing, inspection, evaluation and surveillance of fabrication and quality management, surveillance and testing of produced products as well as examination of persons.
- c. The standards or other normative documents to which the quality management systems, the products, the processes, the services or the persons are certified.
- d. Industry sectors where relevant.
- e. Products, processes, service and persons categories where relevant.

2.3 For certification of management systems of companies’ the scope of accreditation is delimited by the divisions defined in the following documents:

- a. For quality and environment IAF codes listed in the document IAF ID 1 from International Accreditation Forum (IAF) are used. The scope of accreditation can be limited to parts of an IAF code.
- b. For asset management IAF codes listed in the document IAF ID 1 are used. For delimitation of the scope a grouping of the IAF codes is defined by DANAK and the scope of an accreditation will be for an area consisting of a number of IAF codes covering related disciplines.
- c. For work environment the IAF-codes listed in IAF MD 22 are used. The scope of accreditation can be limited to parts of an IAF code.
- d. For energy management technical areas listed in ISO 50003:2014 are used. The scope of accreditation can be limited to parts of a technical area.
- e. For EMAS the delimitation of the scope of accreditation is defined in AB 8.
- f. For food safety the categories in ISO 22003 are used and at the latest by the end of the transition period to ISO 22003-1 the categories in the new standard are used.
- g. For medical equipment the document IAF MD 8 from International Accreditation Forum is used.

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h. For information security ISO/IEC 27006 is used.

2.4 In connection with stipulating the scope of accreditation all localities of the certification body, in Denmark or abroad, where activities are conducted under the accreditation, shall be identified and will be evident from the accreditation cf. AB 1.

2.5 Accreditation to flexible scope is specified separately in the scope of accreditation. See DANAK-Accreditation regulation AB 20 *Flexible accreditation scope for certification and inspection bodies*.

3. Registrations and information

3.1 Applicants and accredited certification bodies shall document how activities on all locations are controlled and managed.

3.2 In order for DANAK to relate to the activities carried out abroad by the certification body under DANAK accreditation, the following information shall be provided for each accreditation:

- a. number of certificates issued for each scheme in each country (outside of Denmark). Information about foreign sites on Danish certificates shall also be provided.
Examples of schemes within management systems is ISO 14001, within product certification GLOBAL G.A.P. and within certification of persons fusion welding, see, for example, list of schemes on DANAK's homepage.
- b. number of local offices from where the certification body carries out certification activities according to the information mentioned in item a
- c. whether the certification body uses local staff to carry out certification activities according to the mentioned information in item a
- d. the certification body's measures and procedures for managing all activities being carried out from a local office or by local personnel.

3.3 For use at DANAK's planning of assessment activities for accreditation to certification of management systems the following information shall be provided to DANAK for each accreditation and reported for each country operated in (Denmark and abroad) and for each certification standard under accreditation:

- a. Number of valid accredited certificates;
- b. Number of auditors;
- c. Number of certificates transferred from other certification bodies over the last year (according to IAF MD 2);
- d. Number of audits not completed in time over the last year (according to the procedures of the certification body);
- e. Number of used audit days over the last year (according to IAF MD 5).

3.4 The information mentioned in item 3.2 and 3.3 shall be provided annually (usually before 1 September) at request from DANAK. DANAK can however, request an update of the information at other times as e.g. at planning of a visit.

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4. Performance of certification

4.1 For accreditation to certification of management systems, persons, and products it is not allowed to perform non-accredited certification within the scope of accreditation.

4.2 Applicants and accredited certification bodies must have processes in place to deal with fraudulent behaviour in relation to accredited services when this is detected at their customers. The processes must be able to include allegations of fraudulent behaviour. Failure to handle fraudulent behaviour from the certification body's customers may result in sanctions as stated in AB 1 regarding fraudulent behaviour by accredited bodies.

5. Reporting to IAF CertSearch

All certification bodies that issue management system certificates must report information on the certificates to the IAF for the purpose that everyone can verify the status of certification and accreditation. The obligation applies to new and previously issued certificates for current certifications for all management system schemes, including those purely national.

The requirements are set out in IAF MD 28 on the upload and maintenance of data in the IAF's database CertSearch. Reporting to the database is mandatory from 26 October 2024.

5.1 Requirements for the certification body

IAF MD 28 section 4.2 describes the requirements for the certification body. It is stated which data must be reported and that the IAF will monitor the status of the individual certification bodies. It is a requirement that the CB uploads corrected data/confirms that the data is correct on a monthly basis.

5.2 DANAK's monitoring

IAF MD 28 describes a number of requirements for the accreditation body. It states, among other things, that DANAK must:

- a. assess whether the certification body has implemented IAF MD 28 and, if there are omissions, that there is evidence of acceptable justification for this. If this is not the case, DANAK must give deviations, cf. IAF MD 28, section 7.2;
- b. monitor the certification body's compliance with the requirements of IAF MD 28, and provide deviations if compliance cannot be documented in accordance with IAF MD 28, sections 7.4 and 7.5;
- c. investigate and implement sanctions if the certification body has misused the IAF CertSearch database, cf. IAF MD 28, section 7.6.

5.3 Other matters

DANAK does not make use of the option in IAF MD 28 clause 4.1.7 (and 4.2.2) to upload CB's data.

6. References

Section 2.2 and 2.3: DS/EN ISO/IEC 17011, 7.8.3

Section 2.4: DS/EN ISO/IEC 17011, 7.8.1 d

Section 2.5: DS/EN ISO/IEC 17011, 7.8.4

Section 3.1: DS/EN ISO/IEC 17011, 7.4 and 7.4.5

Section 3.2 and 3.4: IAF MD 12, 3

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Section 3.3 and 3.4: IAF/ MD 15, 3

Section 4.1: The IAF resolutions 2015-14, 2017-19 and 2018-13

Section 4.2: IAF MD 7, Annex A, A1 and A4

Section 5: IAF MD 28

Any differences between the Danish and the English version of this document are not intended, but in case of doubt with respect to the correctness the version in Danish should be consulted.