
Verification of assessments results
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1. Application scope

This document specifies guidance in the operation of accreditation scheme which Korea Accreditation Board(hereafter referred to as “KAB”) and accredited CBs(hereafter referred to as “CBs”) shall follow. Particular, the intent of this document is to provide guidance on verification of audit results conducted by CB, and this document applies to all accredited CBs impartially, together with the KAB accreditation criteria. The applied scope of this document is as follows.

Applies to	
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<input type="radio"/>	ISO 14000 CB
<input type="radio"/>	QS-9000 CB
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<input type="radio"/>	Other CBs accredited by KAB
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2. KAB Advisory

2.1 Principles for Verification

2.1.1 Accreditation criteria for each management system requires that audit team provides the CB with a report of its findings after completing on-site audit and then CB submits a report on the outcome of audit to the applicant organization. The CB shall give the organization an explanation of the differences in case that there exist any difference between the report brought to the organization and previous one presented to it on-site.

2.1.2 CB shall not delegate authority for decision on certification to an audit team, and shall take a decision on granting, maintaining, extending, reducing, suspending and withdrawing of accreditation after reviewing and verifying the audit results.

2.1.3 CB, therefore, shall review/verify the audit results submitted by audit team, and provide the applicant final audit report. Content and procedure for verification are as described 2.2 and 2.3.

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2.2 Elements to be verified and qualification for verifiers

2.2.1 Elements to be verified

- (1) Initial assessment of the conduct of auditors and technical experts during assessment and continuous monitoring of their performance
 - Based on the assessment result, the verifier shall identify the training needs of specific auditors and take appropriate action for the training.
- (2) Continuous monitoring of audit content and results
 - Through reviewing the audit report, verifier shall judge the adequacy of nonconformities raised and review that audit team properly performed the audit according to audit plan.

2.2.2 Qualification for verifiers

CB shall define the procedure and criteria for qualification of verifier, and appoint an appropriate person as verifier, who demonstrated the competence to verify the adequacy of audit results in each accredited scope accordingly. It is considered that the person qualified for three-digit code(s) meet such criteria. When the verifier performs audit, peer review by other verifier may be done.

2.3 Verification procedure

2.3.1 Verifiers of CB shall verify the audit results submitted by the audit team, and report the verification results to the CB. During the process, verifiers shall assess the adequacy of nonconformities found including details of applicant organization and competence of auditors. When necessary, verifiers shall provide overall assessment of audit results as well as his/her opinions of audit content and auditors including comments of nonconformities raised or training needs of audit team (or auditor).

2.3.2 CB shall take necessary actions taking account of the verification results, and provide the organization with the final report including the differences and the reasons if the report verified by the CB differs from the report submitted by the audit team. If there's no difference, the CB may notify the organization of the fact according to its procedure, or may proceed with next stage without such notification.

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Additional clause

1. These criteria will be effective from 1 January 2006