

Policy

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SNAS POLICY FOR ISSUING CERTIFICATES BY CERTIFICATION BODIES FOR CERTIFICATION OF PRODUCTS IN NON-ACCREDITED REGIME

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PURPOSE: This document determines SNAS policy for issuing certificates by Certification Bodies for Certification of Products in non-accredited regime.

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1 Introduction

SNAS assesses the competence of product certification bodies according to the requirements of ISO/IEC 17065: 2012.

IAF Resolution 2018-13 Unaccredited Product Certification adopted at its 32nd General Meeting in Singapore on October 31, 2018, prohibits issuing non-accredited certificates by Certification Bodies in scopes where they are accredited. A three-year transition period has been set for the implementation of IAF 2018-13 by accreditation bodies - IAF signatories.

2 Policy

SNAS, in accordance with Resolution 2018-13 IAF, imposes, with effect from the date of effectiveness of this policy, for Certification Bodies for Certification of products, prohibition of issuing of non-accredited certificates in scopes that are covered by accreditation SNAS. The term non-accredited certificate means a certificate that was issued in non-accredited regime i.e. it does not contain an accreditation mark or reference to accreditation. The scope covered with accreditation means the scope in annex of accreditation certificate.

If there are exceptions to this policy, which will be justified by the Certification Body for Certification of Products and subsequently accepted by SNAS, the certification may be considered accredited.

Violation of this policy will be considered a failure to fulfill obligation of the Accredited Bodies in accordance with § 36 para. 2 h) of Act 53/2023 Coll. on the accreditation of Conformity Assessment Bodies.

SNAS recommends to Certification Bodies further has not to conclude such agreements with clients for certification, the result of which would be issuance of a non-accredited certificate in an accredited scope, respectively in the case of existing requirements from clients for certification ask SNAS for extension the already granted accreditation.

3 RELATED DOCUMENTS

Resolutions IAF Thirty-second Annual General Assembly Singapore, 29 and 31 October 2018

Act No. 53/2023 Coll. on the accreditation of Conformity Assessment Bodies

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