# 5 Steps to accreditation



If you are based in the UK and provide testing, certification, calibration, inspection, or medical diagnostics services, you will find UKAS accreditation will help improve quality, efficiency, access to global markets, customer confidence and new business acquisition.

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### + Obtain the relevant standard

You can purchase international standards from the BSI website. Familiarise yourself with the clauses and conduct a gap analysis. Supporting publications can be found on the UKAS website and preparation for accreditation courses and webinars are available from the UKAS Training Academy.

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## + Apply for accreditation

Contact UKAS to apply for accreditation. We will guide you through the process and are here to answer all your questions. Once your application is submitted and your fee is paid, the assessment process can begin.

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#### + Assessment

Your UKAS Assessment Manager (AM) will support and guide you through the process and can conduct a pre-assessment to identify gaps and help prepare. Your AM will review procedures and records, meet your team and monitor how you operate to relevant standards.

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#### + Results

Your AM will talk you through the results of your assessment and provide a report that highlights good work as well as any areas for improvement. You will have 12 weeks to provide evidence that necessary improvements have been made prior to the grant of accreditation.

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## + Grant of accreditation

Once successful, your grant of UKAS accreditation will be awarded and you will receive your welcome pack and certificate. You can use the UKAS symbols on your website, stationery and tenders. If you trade overseas, you can also use the ILAC or IAF mark to signal global acceptance.