

# Publications update



## March 2026

This update is to notify you of changes to [UKAS Publications](#) and issue of [Technical Bulletins](#) during the past month.

Organisations are required to comply with current editions of all UKAS publications relevant to their accreditation or application. As well as UKAS publications, accredited and applicant organisations should be aware of international publications relevant to their area of accreditation, available from the [EA](#) or [IAF / ILAC / Global Accreditation Cooperation Incorporated](#)\* websites.

**\*Note:** on 1<sup>st</sup> January 2026, Global Accreditation Cooperation Incorporated assumed the roles of the International Accreditation Forum (IAF) and the International Laboratory Accreditation Cooperation (ILAC). For more information, please see the related [Press Release](#).

Accredited and applicant organisations, and Assessors currently engaged by UKAS, must check that they either have an up-to-date copy of each publication relevant to their activities or have web access available to be able to access those documents as required.

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## Publications

No new or updated UKAS publications have been issued this month.

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## Technical Bulletins

The following Technical Bulletins have been posted this month:

- [Reporting oil, fuel, and petroleum product data – Accounting for density of test materials](#) – *action required by affected laboratories (self-declaration)*
- [Your questions about the Forensic Science Regulator Code of Practice transition in relation to Friction Ridge Detail: Comparison Specific Requirements](#)
- [Understanding AI in accredited conformity assessment](#)
- [Transition Arrangements for Privacy Information Management Systems \(PIMS\)](#)
- [Transition arrangements for ISO/IEC 17020:2026 – Conformity assessment - Requirements for bodies performing inspection](#)
- [Control and transfer of certificates issued for permanent joining procedures and personnel qualifications](#)

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## EA / ILAC / IAF Publications

No relevant new or revised EA, ILAC and IAF publications to report this month.

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## Consultations

The following draft UKAS publications are out for consultation until **30/04/2026**:

Relevant to **Laboratories**:

- [LAB 31](#) Use of culture media procured ready-to-use or partially completed and diagnostic test kits in microbiological testing (Edition 5)

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## Withdrawals

No UKAS publications have been withdrawn this month.

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## Changes since the last edition

A full [UKAS Publications list](#) is available from the website.

You can also access [historical records](#) of publications updates.

# Global Accreditation Cooperation Incorporated webinars

Registration is now open for the Global Accreditation Cooperation Incorporated **milestone webinars** being held on **14 April 2026**. These webinars will celebrate the organisation being operational and introduce the organisation, acronym and logo to the global accreditation and conformity assessment community.

To facilitate global participation, the same webinar will be delivered twice at different times to accommodate different time zones. Please register in advance at one of the following links:

- 14 April - 08:00 UTC (9 am BST): [Link \(am webinar\)](#)
- 14 April - 17:00 UTC (6 pm BST): [Link \(pm webinar\)](#)

After registering, you will receive the calendar invitation and joining instructions.

These webinars will:

- + Introduce the new **brand, acronym, logo, social media** channels and **website**
- + Celebrate the launch of Global Accreditation Cooperation Incorporated
- + Explain the importance of the Global Accreditation Cooperation Incorporated MRA in supporting trust in international trade



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