

Technical Bulletin - Recent Updates to IAF MD 22

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This Technical Bulletin is applicable to all accredited management systems Certification Bodies and is to provide an update regarding recent changes to IAF document MD 22.

IAF MD 22: 2019 Application of ISO/IEC 17021-1 for the Certification of Occupational Health and Safety Management Systems was published on 7th May 2019 with a 1-year application period, meaning that by 7th May 2020 the new version must be fully implemented and in use by all accredited Certification Bodies.

The main reason for the changes is the transfer of time on site and witnessing requirements from IAF MD 22 to IAF MD 5 and IAF MD 17 respectively.

UKAS Approach to Assessing Implementation

By the declared document application of the 7th May 2020, UKAS accredited CBs are requested to confirm in writing, to their UKAS Assessment or Case Manager, that they have taken action to consider the content of the revised document and have implemented any necessitated changes to their management system.

If any individual Certification Body has any concerns about the introduction of the updated MD they should firstly contact their Assessment or Case Manager.

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