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01	All	All	01.07.2024	Detailing to align with ILAC Guidelines	ILAC P8 references insert	Replaces previous issue dated 20.11.2023	R.S.Rana
02	6	7.2.1, 7.2.2, 7.2.3	02.09.2024	Outcome of APAC evaluation	Reproduction of accreditation symbol is addressed	-	R.S. Rana
03	7	7.3.1, 7.3.2	02.09.2024	Outcome of APAC evaluation	Conditions to ensure the CAB's external service providers are not allowed to use IQAS accreditation symbol are addressed	-	R.S. Rana
04	8	8.3	02.09.2024	Outcome of APAC evaluation	Restriction of the use of calibration labels containing the accreditation symbol to equipment that has been calibrated using calibration methods covered by the calibration laboratory's scope of accreditation	-	R.S. Rana

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4	7	7.4.1	02.09.2024	Outcome of APAC evaluation	Requirements for advertising and publicity are elaborated	-	R.S. Rana

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1.Objective

Use of IQAS symbol.

2.Scope

This document applies to accredited Laboratories by IQAS in the field of testing and calibration as per ISO/IEC 17025:2017 and medical testing Laboratories according to ISO 15189:2012/22. The IQAS accredited Laboratories may use IQAS symbol for claiming the accreditation for the specific scope of accreditation on the test and /or calibration certificate and / or reports.

3.Responsibility

IQAS accredited laboratories and IQAS.

4.Reference

ISO/IEC 17011:2017, ILAC P8.

5.IQAS logo

The IQAS logo is given below:



This logo is for the use of IQAS only. The accredited Laboratories shall not use this logo.

6.IQAS Symbol

For the use of accredited Laboratories, the symbol of IQAS is given below:



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The certificate number shall be pasted just below

The IQAS symbol shall be used, as below, by the accredited testing, calibration and medical testing Laboratories as T-XXXX: accreditation certificate allotted by IQAS to the accredited Laboratories in the field of testing, C-XXXX and M-XXXX are accreditation certificates for calibration and medical testing respectively.

For Testing



T-XXXX

For Calibration



C-XXXX

For Medical Testing



M-XXXX

7. Use of IQAS symbol for claiming accreditation status

7.1. The IQAS accredited Laboratories shall use the IQAS symbol, downloaded from the IQAS email sent to Laboratories to claim the accreditation for the scope accredited by IQAS.

7.2. The IQAS symbol, of various sizes, will be provided by IQAS to the accredited Laboratories on award of accreditation certificate and scope.

7.2.1 CABs may use color or black/ Blue IQAS symbol on the calibration/testing and medical testing certificate.

7.2.2 The IQAS symbol which can be fit on the upper corner , right or left of the calibration/testing and medical testing certificate can be used by the accredited CAB.

7.2.3 The CABs may use the IQAS symbol on the electronic documents and IQAS symbol shall bear the accreditation certificate number just below the IQAS symbol. In case any laboratory is accredited for more than one discipline for example testing and calibration both the symbol used for testing activities will bear the testing accreditation certificate number and for calibration activities, calibration accreditation certificate shall be mentioned just below the IQAS symbol. When CAB want to use the symbol for

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testing and calibration both for any other purpose then both the symbol separately used for the testing and calibration purpose.

7.3. The Laboratories shall use the IQAS symbol only for the accredited scope

7.3.1 The IQAS symbol shall not be used by a CAB’s external service providers that are not accredited by the IQAS.

7.3.2 The IQAS symbol shall be used by an accredited CAB only under the name or the registered trade name of the legal entity in which it holds accreditation.

7.4. The accredited Laboratories may use IQAS symbol for advertising and promotion purposes.

7.4.1 An accredited CAB and its parent, subsidiaries or sister companies may wish to incorporate in publicity and/or advertising material, statements concerning the CAB’s accreditation.

Materials may include:

- website(s);
- publicity and advertising material.
- brochures and organisation publications;
- technical literature.
- business reports;
- quotations or proposals for conformity assessment activity.

The CABs shall take care that use of IQAS symbol shall not mislead about the accreditation status of the CAB.

7.5. The franchisee or any other Laboratories which is using the results of accredited laboratory shall not use the IQAS symbol on behalf of accredited Laboratories.

7.6. Immediately upon suspension, debar, withdrawal and a break in accreditation cycle, the CAB shall discontinue the use of IQAS symbol and cease to make reference to accreditation status in reports, certificates, promotional material, letterhead, internet websites etc.

7.7. IQAS Symbol shall not be used by applicant laboratories.

7.8. IQAS symbol shall not be placed on the products or items which have been subjected to conformity assessment (except on calibration label).

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8. Calibration Labels on equipment

8.1 IQAS accredited calibration laboratories can use the IQAS symbol in calibration labels which are attached to the item of equipment calibrated by IQAS the accredited calibration laboratory .

8.2 Calibration labels containing IQAS symbol shall not give the impression that IQAS approved or calibrated the equipment.

8.3The calibration label usually include the following information:

- a) the name of the accredited calibration laboratory and its accreditation number
- b) equipment identification
- c) date of current calibration
- d) cross reference to the calibration certificate issued in respect of the calibration

The IQAS shall restrict the use of calibration labels containing the accreditation symbol to equipment that has been calibrated using calibration methods covered by the calibration laboratory’s scope of accreditation.

9. Reporting results not covered by the scope of accreditation

9.1 In case the conformity assessment activities are not covered in the accredited scope or if the scope of accreditation is reduced, the Laboratories shall mention or identify the same by putting an Asterix “ * ” mark on that result and it shall be clearly mentioned in the certificate that Asterix marked result is not covered under IQAS accreditation.

9.2 There shall be nothing in any test report or calibration certificate or in any attachments or other materials that implies , or may lead any user of the results or any interested party to believe that the conformity assessment activity is covered by the scope of accreditation when it is not.

10.Misuse of IQAS symbol

10.1 In case an IQAS accredited laboratory is found misusing or making a false claim of IQAS symbol, after due investigation adverse action shall be initiated as perIQAS-013.

10.2 The laboratory shall strictly follow the conditions of this document and in case found not following the conditions, adverse action shall be initiated by IQAS as per IQAS-013.

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