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## POLICY FOR THE SCOPE OF ACCREDITATION

### 1. Purpose

This document details DPA policy regarding the manner of expression of accreditation programme for accreditation schemes which DPA provides. This policy is also applicable for analyzing and determining the resource and technical expertise to be applied to the assessment of one CAB.

### 2. Scope

This policy is implemented on all type of CAB assessment to define the accreditation programme. Based on policy DA-PO-004, DPA doesn't offer accreditation for flexible scope

### 3. References

DA-PO-002 "Accreditation policy"  
ILAC G29:06/2020 Guidelines for harmonization of scopes of ISO/IEC 17025 accreditation of WADA anti-doping laboratories  
IAF ID 1:2014 IAF Informative Document For QMS and EMS Scopes of Accreditation


### 4. The expression of accreditation programme of Testing and Calibration Laboratories

In general the Expression of Accreditation Programme of Testing and Calibration Laboratories is based in ILAC-G 18. The expression of the accreditation programme for medical laboratories shall be based on EA 4/17. The expression of accreditation programme for anti-doping laboratories shall be based on ILAC G 29.

DPA assess only for well recognized testing methods (including calibration). Programmes are formulated on the basis on the application form sent by the applicant. This programme, for laboratory, is given in DA-FO-022, remind hereafter.

DPA accredits testing laboratory on the basis of National Albanian, regional and international standardized methods.

When there is a need DPA is accrediting also for other national standard well recognized in industrial sector as, ASTM, ASHRAE, ARI, (SMEDP) -Standard Methods for the Examination of Dairy Products, AOAC, etc.

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Where standards need clarification or details, scopes give the identification of the “in-house method”.

For methods issued from different handbook DPA will require the same identification.

Without other information from the laboratory, DPA considers that the application is requested for the last version of the test method and the assessment program will be prepared according to the DPA procedure DA-PT-015

It is systematically indicated the date of issue for each standards method or “in-house method”

If the laboratory wishes to be accredited for a previous issue of the standard, this method is considered as an “in-house method”.

*In house Methods:* When the laboratory applies for accreditation for a test method based on a standardised testing methods, this indication is indicated in the accredited scope with the reference to the Standard and the in house method identification number associated. (For instance, EN 71-3 IP 002:2019)

Modifications and up-dates of test methods or development activities including all the underlying results and other relevant data (e.g. results of validation) must be controlled and maintained on record. This data shall be available to DPA on its request.


Applicant has to precise if the accreditation is requested for test performed in permanent location or out its permanent locations or to both. This is recorded in the accreditation programme.

*Location:* When DPA accredits the competence of a laboratory to perform test out of its premises this is indicated in the programe in a specific column as for instance “Location Code” Laboratory or on site or as an alternative “Category” 0 for in laboratory, 1 for on site, 2 for both.

## **5.1 The scheme of testing and calibration**

The formulation of accreditation programe for the scheme of testing and calibration measurement is based in ILAC-G18.

### **5.1.1 The expression of Accreditation programme for testing laboratories**

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As a minimum, it is recommended that the programme contains the following elements:

- (a) Identification of the product (group of products), materials or items tested
- (b) Identification of the specific tests or types of test performed
- (c) Identification of the specification, standard (method), or technique used.
- (d) Technique where the test is based on
- (e) Measurements/ tests scope

In the accreditation program, information is provided whether the laboratory is accredited for providing opinions/interpretations or for taking samples. DPA may request additional information on the field of accreditation (e.g. scope of testing or measurements, limits of analysis, types of apparatus, etc.) In cases where the laboratory is accredited for sampling in the accreditation program, standards/methods are set against which is accredited.

Expression of program for medical laboratories are in line with EA 4/17


In the case of medical laboratories, the field of application and the accreditation program are expressed as in the table below:

No	Material/system/matrix	Parameter/analyses	Techniques	Equipment/methods or procedure
1	Serum	IgM	ECLIA	IVD MD PSO ref xx

In the case of POCT (point-of-care testing), the accreditation of the medical laboratory will refer to the standard, EN ISO 15189:2022

Regarding POCT (point-of-care testing), the application area and the accreditation program are expressed as in the table below:

Location/Delivery point	Material/system/matrix	Parameter/analyses	technique	Equipment/methods or procedure
Hospital A	Blood	pH, pCO <sub>2</sub>	Potentiometric method	Name of equipment PSO ref xx

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### **5.1.2 The expression of the scope of the accreditation program of the Accreditation for calibration laboratories is according to ILAC G 18.**

The expression of the accreditation program for calibration laboratories is based on the document ILAC G 18.

At a minimum, it is recommended that accreditation programs contain the following elements:

- (a) the object/instrument to be calibrated or the reference material
- (b) Identification of calibration
- (c) Identification of calibration area
- (d) Identification of standards or methods used for calibration
- (e) Identification of the calibration technician
- (f) Uncertainty in measurement

DPA can also include other information in the accreditation program of calibration laboratories, such as Opinions/interpretations, location code, etc.).

### **5.2 Expression of accreditation program for management system certification bodies**

The accreditation program for the certification bodies of the quality management system, the environmental management system and occupational health and safety will be formulated according to IAF ID 1.


The expression of the accreditation program for the quality management system for medical device certification bodies shall be based on IAF MD 8.

The expression of the accreditation program for the certifying bodies of the food safety management system will be made with categories and subcategories according to the ISO 22003-1 standard.

The expression of the accreditation program for the certification bodies of the energy management system will be done with the category defined in the ISO 50003:2014 standard. (note, the accreditation will be based on the ISO 50003:2021 standard).

The expression of the accreditation program for the certifying bodies of the business continuity management system will be done with groups according to the instruction of the DPA, DA-IN-006.

The expression of the accreditation program for the certification bodies that will be accredited according to the certification schemes ISO 27001, ISO 20000-1, ISO 37001, ISO 39001, ISO 27701, ISO 28001, ISO 20121 will refer to the relevant standard.

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The expression of the accreditation program for the certification bodies which will be accredited under the ISO 27001 certification schemes, in addition to the relevant standard, the DPA will include the expression "all IAF codes".

### 5.3 The expression of accreditation programme for inspection bodies

The expression of the accreditation program for inspection bodies is given according to the following table:

No	Material or system which will be inspected	Type of inspection (initial/periodic)	Standard/method of inspection

### 5.4 The expression of accreditation programme for persons certification bodies.


The accreditation program for certifying bodies of persons contains information about the persons or group of persons, the certification scheme and the title of the scheme. The field of application and the accreditation program are expressed according to the following table:

No	Persons or group of persons	Standard or normative document	Title of standard of normative document.

### 5.5 Expression of accreditation programme for certification bodies of products, services and processes

The scope of accreditation for products, services and processes shall contain the following information:

- Products, services or process to be certified
- Specification for the product, service or process – document(s) that contains the requirements for conformity of the products, services or processes
- Certification procedure – document that describes the methods/procedures for certification.

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To describe and structure the accreditation scope DPA complements the accreditation scope with the indication of IAF ID 1 accreditation codes

**Expression of accreditation scope for GLOBALG.A.P. v 6.0**

**EAC 1 Products from Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing**

<b>Product/Service/Process</b>	<b>Certification criteria</b>	<b>Certification procedure</b>
Integrated Farm Assurance - Plants	GLOBALG.A.P. General Regulations V6 Smart and/or GFS Principles and Criteria IFA v6 Smart for fruit and vegetables Principles and Criteria IFA v6 Smart for flowers and ornamentals Principles and Criteria IFA v6 GFS for fruit and vegetables	GLOBALG.A.P. General Regulations V6 Smart and/or GFS Principles and Criteria IFA v6 Smart for fruit and vegetables Principles and Criteria IFA v6 Smart for flowers and ornamentals Principles and Criteria IFA v6 GFS for fruit and vegetables CAB certification procedure
Chain of Custody	GLOBALG.A.P. General Regulations V6 Smart and/or GFS CoC Principles and criteria	GLOBALG.A.P. General Regulations V6 Smart and/or GFS CoC Principles and criteria CAB certification procedure

If application for accreditation only includes option 1, this shall be described in the scope. If it includes option 2 nothing is referred, as it is implied that both options are included. The scope may refer to territorial limitations

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