Center activities List and general standards

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1   Purpose

The document clarifies the Center's list and its general criteria for the Saudi Accreditation Center in implementing international and regional requirements, regarding all types of active accreditation fields.

2   Scope

The document applies to the field of accreditation of testing and calibration laboratories and medical laboratories, and to the inspection and certification bodies (Halal and management systems) at the Saudi Accreditation Center.

3   Reference documents

Conformity assessment – General requirements for accreditation bodies providing accreditation services for conformity assessment bodies ISO/IEC 17011:2017.

4   Contents

No	Activity / Program	General standards
1	Testing Laboratories	• ISO/IEC 17011:2017 (conformity assessment – general requirements for accreditation bodies providing accreditation services for conformity assessment bodies) • ISO/IEC 17025:2017 (General requirements for the competence of testing and calibration laboratories) • The law of the Private Laboratory • Regulations for accreditation of conformity assessment bodies (laboratories / inspection bodies / bodies providing proficiency tests) • Documents of the International Laboratory Accreditation Organization (ILAC) • Documents of the Arab Accreditation Cooperation (ARAC) • Documents for the Asia Pacific Accreditation Cooperation (APAC) • Documents, policies and Guidelines of (SAAC)
2	Calibration Laboratories	• ISO/IEC 17011:2017 (conformity assessment – general requirements for accreditation bodies providing accreditation services for conformity assessment bodies) • ISO/IEC 17025:2017 (General requirements for the competence of testing and calibration laboratories) • The law of the Private Laboratory • Regulations for accreditation of conformity assessment bodies (laboratories / inspection bodies / bodies providing proficiency tests)

		• Documents of the International Laboratory Accreditation Cooperation (ILAC)
		• Documents of the Arab Accreditation Cooperation (ARAC)
		• Documents for the Asia Pacific Accreditation Cooperation (APAC)
		• Documents, policies and Guidelines of (SAAC)
3	Medical Laboratories	• ISO/IEC 17011:2017 (conformity assessment – general requirements for accreditation bodies providing accreditation services for conformity assessment bodies)
		• ISO 15189:2022 (Requirements for Accreditation of Medical Laboratories)
		• Medical Laboratories Regulation
		• Documents of the International Laboratory Accreditation Cooperation (ILAC)
		• Documents of the Arab Accreditation Cooperation (ARAC)
		• Documents, policies and Guidelines of (SAAC)
4	Inspection bodies	• ISO/IEC 17011:2017 (conformity assessment – general requirements for accreditation bodies providing accreditation services for conformity assessment bodies)
		• ISO/IEC 17020:2012 (conformity assessment – activity requirements for different types of inspection service providers)
		• Regulations for accreditation of conformity assessment bodies (laboratories / inspection bodies / bodies providing proficiency tests)
		• Documents of the International Laboratory Accreditation Cooperation (ILAC)
		• Documents of the Arab Accreditation Cooperation (ARAC)
		• Documents related to the National Committee for the Saudi Building Code (SBCNC) in the field in which the inspection activity is to be approved.
		• Documents for the Asia Pacific Accreditation Cooperation (APAC)
		• Documents, policies and Guidelines of (SAAC)
5	Certification bodies – Management Systems	• ISO/IEC 17011:2017 (conformity assessment – general requirements for accreditation bodies providing accreditation services for conformity assessment bodies)
		• ISO/IEC 17021:2015 (Management Systems Certification Bodies)
		• Documents The International Accreditation Forum (IAF)
		• Documents of the Arab Accreditation Cooperation (ARAC)
		• Regulations for accreditation of conformity assessment bodies (Certification Bodies)
		• Documents, policies and Guidelines of (SAAC)
6	Halal Certification Bodies	• ISO/IEC 17011:2017 (conformity assessment – general requirements for accreditation bodies providing accreditation services for conformity assessment bodies)
		• GSO 2055-2 (General requirements for halal certification bodies)
		• GSO 2055-1:2015
		• IHAF documents
		• Documents of the Standards and Metrology Institute for Islamic Countries (SMIIC)
		• Documents The International Accreditation Forum (IAF)
		• Regulations for accreditation of conformity assessment bodies (Certification Bodies)
		• Documents, policies and Guidelines of (SAAC)

7	Product, service and process certification bodies	• ISO/IEC 17011:2017 (conformity assessment – general requirements for accreditation bodies providing accreditation services for conformity assessment bodies) • ISO/IEC 17065:2012 (conformity assessment – general requirements for accreditation bodies providing accreditation services for conformity assessment bodies) • Documents The International Accreditation Forum (IAF) • Regulations for accreditation of conformity assessment bodies (Certification Bodies) • Documents, policies and Guidelines of (SAAC)
8	Proficiency Test Providers	• ISO/IEC 17011:2017 (conformity assessment – general requirements for accreditation bodies providing accreditation services for conformity assessment bodies) • ISO/IEC 17043:2023 (General requirements for the competence of proficiency test providers) • The law of the Private Laboratory • General Regulations for the Accreditation of Conformity Assessment Bodies • Regulations for accreditation of conformity assessment bodies (laboratories / inspection bodies / bodies providing proficiency tests) • Documents of the International Laboratory Accreditation Cooperation (ILAC) • Documents of the Arab Accreditation Cooperation (ARAC) • Documents for the Asia Pacific Accreditation Cooperation (APAC) • Documents, policies and Guidelines of (SAAC)
9	Reference Material Producers	• ISO/IEC 17011:2017 (conformity assessment – general requirements for accreditation bodies providing accreditation services for conformity assessment bodies) • ISO/IEC 17034:2016 (General requirements for the competence of reference material producers) • The law of the Private Laboratory • General Regulations for the Accreditation of Conformity Assessment Bodies • Regulations for accreditation of conformity assessment bodies (laboratories / inspection bodies / bodies providing proficiency tests) • Documents of the International Laboratory Accreditation Cooperation (ILAC) • Documents of the Arab Accreditation Cooperation (ARAC) • Documents for the Asia Pacific Accreditation Cooperation (APAC) • Documents, policies and Guidelines of (SAAC)
10	Certification of Personnel	• ISO/IEC 17011:2017 (conformity assessment – general requirements for accreditation bodies providing accreditation services for conformity assessment bodies) • ISO/IEC 17024:2012 (General requirements for bodies operating certification of persons) • Documents the International Accreditation Forum (IAF) • Documents of the Arab Accreditation Cooperation (ARAC) • Regulations for accreditation of conformity assessment bodies (Certification Bodies) • Documents, policies and Guidelines of (SAAC)