

INTERNATIONAL ELECTROTECHNICAL COMMISSION

IEC SCHEME FOR CERTIFICATION TO STANDARDS FOR SAFETY OF ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT FOR EXPLOSIVE ATMOSPHERES (IECEX SCHEME)

Ex Management Committee, ExMC

Compilation of Comments received concerning document:

ExMC/100/CD TITLE: Assessment Procedures for IECEx acceptance of Candidate Accepted Certification Bodies (ACBs) and Ex Testing Laboratories (ExTLs)

Introduction

This document is a compilation of comments received regarding document ExMC/100/CD, Assessment Procedures for IECEx acceptance of Candidate Accepted Certification Bodies (ACBs) and Ex Testing Laboratories (ExTLs)

These comments are to be considered during the 2001 ExMC Meeting, in Bern, 10 –12 October 2001.

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COMPILATION OF COMMENTS ON COMMITTEE DRAFT

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Title of the Committee Draft

ExMC/100/CD TITLE: Assessment Procedures for IECEx acceptance of Candidate Accepted Certification Bodies (ACBs) and Ex Testing Laboratories (ExTLs)

The above-mentioned document was circulated to National Committees, ACBs, Candidate ACBs, ExTLs and Candidate ExTLs with a request that comments be submitted by 7 September 2001

Comments received – AU DE

ACTION:

Editorial comments to be incorporated into the final document, however
Comments 5 & 6 to be considered during the 2001 ExMC meeting in Bern

Annex

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Comment No.	National Committee	Clause/ Subclause	Paragraph Figure/ Table	Comments	Proposed change	OBSERVATIONS OF THE SECRETARIAT on each comment submitted
1	AU	2.1.1	3rd line	Words 'the ExMC' at the end do not make sense	Delete	Editorial
2	AU	1.4	Numbering	Should be 2.1.3	Change	Editorial
3	AU	1.5	Numbering	Should be 2.1.4	Change	Editorial
4	AU	1.5 (2.1.4)	4th line	Word 'Team' is missing	Include the word 'Team' after assessment	Editorial
5	DE	Notes to assessors Page 11		<p>On Page 11 under the header</p> <p>"The ACB assessment shall also review the ACB's ability to perform assessment of Quality Management Systems covering the manufacturer of Ex apparatus. This shall include verifying:"</p> <p>the first bullet</p> <p>"ISO 9000 qualifications of ACB staff, eg membership of International Quality Associations ... "</p> <p>should be supplemented:</p> <p>" ... or a sufficient number of staff members holding valid certification/acknowledgement as assessor granted by an accredited ISO 9000 certification body ..."</p>	<p>should be supplemented:</p> <p>" ... or a sufficient number of staff members holding valid certification/acknowledgement as assessor granted by an accredited ISO 9000 certification body ..."</p>	<p>Agree that ACBs must have staff competent to conduct audits of Ex manufacturers.</p> <p>For further discussion</p>

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6	DE	Notes to assessors Page 12		On page 12 under the header "Assessment of ExTLs are aimed at demonstrating compliance with ISO/IEC Guide 25 or ISO/IEC 17025, the Technical Guidance Documents and verification of the requirements of IECEx 02. This includes verifying:" a bullet should be added: "A sufficient number of tests performed with the own test equipment to demonstrate sufficient experience with the specific testing methods."	a bullet should be added: "A sufficient number of tests performed with the own test equipment to demonstrate sufficient experience with the specific testing methods."	Agree
7	AU	Annex A	Title	Title should read: Annex A – IECEx Assessment Report Form (Accepted Certification Body-ACB)	Correct title	Editorial
8	AU	Annex A	1.9	It should read 'Associated Ex Testing Laboratories'	Correct as indicated	Editorial
9	AU	Annex A	6	'oil-immersion 'o' is missing; 'i' and 'e' out of place.	Correct as indicated	Editorial
10	AU	Annex B	Header	Under type of assessment it should read: 'Initial Assessment for Candidate ExTL Surveillance Assessment for Existing ExTL '	Correct as indicated	Agree

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11	AU	Annex B	1.2	It should read: 'Name of candidate ExTL'	Correct as indicated	Editorial
12	AU	Annex B	1.5	There are two 'iv'. Last one should read 'v'	Correct as appropriate	Editorial
13	AU	Annex B	1.7	It should read: 'Candidate ExTL persons interviewed'	Correct as appropriate	Editorial
14	AU	Annex B	1.8	It should read: 'Legal entity of the candidate ExTL'	Correct as appropriate	Editorial
15	AU	Annex B	1.9	It should read: 'Associated ACBs—Names of ACBs'	Correct as appropriate	Editorial