ACCREDITATION RULE 45
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SUBJECT: Accreditation Program for Asset Management Systems (AMS)

APPLIES TO: ISO 55001 AMS ANAB-Accredited and Applicant Certification Bodies

PREFACE
This Accreditation Rule is to inform certification bodies (CBs) of ANAB requirements for accreditation to certify organizations for AMS conforming with ISO 55001.

ACCREDITATION RULE
1. Requirement Documents (current versions unless specified)
   1.1. ISO 55001, Asset management – Management systems – Requirements
   1.2. ISO/IEC 17021-1, Conformity assessment – Requirements for bodies providing audit and certification of management systems
   1.3. ISO/IEC TS 17021-5, Conformity assessment – Requirements for bodies providing audit and certification of management systems – Part 5: Competence requirements for auditing and certification of asset management systems
   1.3. MA 5000, ANAB Accreditation Manual, and applicable ANAB Accreditation Rules
   1.4. IAF Mandatory Documents as applicable
2. Prerequisites
   2.1. The CB shall be accredited or gain accreditation concurrently as conforming with ISO/IEC 17021-1.
3. Application Process
   3.1. CBs can obtain applications for informational use at www.anab.org.
   3.2. The application process outlined at www.anab.org must be completed via ANAB’s Enterprise Quality Manager (EQM) database when the CB is ready to apply for accreditation.
   3.3. The application fee includes the cost of one assessor day for the off-site documentation review.
4. Initial Assessments for Accreditation
   4.1. An ANAB accreditation assessor shall conduct a full documentation review.
   4.2. After the documents are found acceptable, ANAB shall conduct an office assessment and required witnessed audits.
      4.2.1. The office assessment shall be conducted on site or remotely (at ANAB’s discretion) and is conducted to ensure the CB’s certification process for AMS conforms with ISO/IEC 17021-1 and is effective.
      4.2.2. ANAB shall witness the CB conducting a two-stage audit process (stages 1 and 2).
         4.2.2.1. The ANAB assessment team shall have the same number of members as the CB audit team.
5. Surveillance Assessments

5.1. ANAB shall conduct an annual office assessment and annually witness a CB team conducting a AMS audit.

5.1.1. When possible, the office assessment shall be conducted concurrently with assessments for other ANAB accreditation programs for which the CB is accredited.

5.1.2. During the accreditation cycle, ANAB shall evaluate the CB’s full system audit process during at least one annual witnessed audit (stages 1 and 2 certification audit or recertification). The additional witnessed audits required in the accreditation cycle are based on the CB’s audit activity and management system findings, and include audit types such as surveillance, special, multi-site, scope expansion, transfer, integrated, ASRP, and/or CAAT. ANAB Accreditation Rule 18 outlines the witnessed audit scheduling process and the process for potentially altering the types of audits witnessed.

6. Re-accreditation Assessments

6.1. ANAB shall conduct a document review and an on-site full system office assessment at approximately six months prior to the expiration of accreditation.

7. End User Expected Outcomes for Accredited Certification to ISO 55001

7.1. An organization with an accredited asset management system certification can be expected to achieve organizational objectives through the effective and efficient management of its assets. The organization can also be expected to provide assurance that those objectives can be achieved consistently and sustainably over time.

7.2. The CB shall have processes to ensure that its auditors and other certification personnel are knowledgeable of the expected outcomes and consistently reinforce them with the CB’s clients.