

Announcement - Systematic Review of ISO/IEC 17020:2012

The systematic review of ISO/IEC 17020:2012: Conformity assessment - Requirements for the operations of various types of bodies performing inspection has been completed with the standard being confirmed.

ISO/IEC 17020:2012 specifies requirements for the competence of bodies performing inspection and for the impartiality and consistency of their inspection activities. It applies to inspection bodies of type A, B or C, as defined in ISO/IEC 17020:2012, and it applies to any stage of inspection.

Up to date SADCAS has accredited 6 inspection bodies in Zimbabwe and the Democratic Republic of Congo in accordance with ISO/IEC 17020:2012. SADCAS is now signatory to the International Laboratory Accreditation Cooperation Mutual Recognition Arrangement (ILAC MRA) for Inspection (ISO/IEC 17020) and as such the accreditation certificates issued by SADCAS on the Inspection Bodies Accreditation Programme are internationally recognized.

