

## Notification on the implementation of ILAC P15:05/2020

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ILAC P15:05/2020 Application of ISO/IEC 17020:2012 for the Accreditation of Inspection Bodies has been published (May 2020) and is available from <https://ilac.org/publications-and-resources/ilac-policy-series/>

This document provides information for use by both accreditation bodies and inspection bodies on the application of ISO/IEC 17020.

This revision of ILAC P15 includes updates as a result of the outcome of the ILAC Inspection Committee workshops, ISO CASCO clarification requests and the experience gained in the application of the previous version of ILAC P15 and ISO/IEC 17020:2012. It also includes guidance on the use of emerging technologies (e.g. drones, artificial intelligence) in inspection which are not addressed in ISO/IEC 17020:2012.

The implementation date for ILAC P15:05/2020 is 18 months from the date of publication on the ILAC website (i.e. November 2021). The examples of the application of ISO/IEC 17020 removed from the previous version of ILAC P15 are now available from the IC FAQs: <https://ilac.org/about-ilac/faqs/>.

The revision does not change expectations for how an inspection body demonstrates compliance to ISO/IEC 17020:2012 nor how INAB assesses the standard's requirements. Accredited inspection bodies and those seeking accreditation will be expected to demonstrate that the relevant aspects have been considered when introducing new technology.

INAB will look at awareness and implementation of this revised publication during routine surveillance activity.

**If you have any queries, please contact your assessment manager.**