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Assurance produit des projets spatiaux - Assurance qualité

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## European Foreword

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This document will supersede EN 16602-20:2014.

The main changes with respect to EN 16602-20:2014 are listed below:

- Clause 3: Title of clause corrected. Term "acceptance authority media" added. References to ECSS-S-ST-00-01 made for terms "ground segment sub-system", "ground support equipment" and "repeatability"
- Term "stamp control" replaced by "acceptance authority media control"
- Titles of clauses 5.2.7 and 5.2.7.1, 5.8.3.2, A2.1<3>, Annex I modified
- Pre-Tailoring matrix updated using the TA agreed symbols as stated in Table 6 1 "Definitions of the columns of Table 6 2"
- Informative Annex I "Deliverable QA documents per review" updated
- Informative Annex J "ECSS-Q-ST-20 applicability according to programme phases " deleted
- Update of issue of EN 9100 standard in Bibliography

This document has been developed to cover specifically space systems and will the-refore have precedence over any EN covering the same scope but with a wider do-main of applicability (e.g.: aerospace).

# 1

## Scope

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This Standard defines the quality assurance (QA) requirements for the establishment and implementation of a Quality Assurance programme for products of space projects.

Discipline related qualification activities are complemented in standards specific to those disciplines (e.g. ECSS-E-ST-32-01 for fracture control).

For software quality assurance, the software product assurance standard, ECSS-Q-ST-80 is applicable.

This Standard is applicable to all space projects.

This standard may be tailored for the specific characteristic and constraints of a space project in conformance with ECSS-S-ST-00.

For the tailoring of this standard the following information is provided:

- A table providing the pre-tailoring per “Product types” in clause 6
- A table providing the pre-tailoring per “Project phase” in Annex J

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## Normative references

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The following normative documents contain provisions which, through reference in this text, constitute provisions of this ECSS Standard. For dated references, subsequent amendments to, or revision of any of these publications do not apply. However, parties to agreements based on this ECSS Standard are encouraged to investigate the possibility of applying the more recent editions of the normative documents indicated below. For undated references, the latest edition of the publication referred to applies.

EN reference	Reference in text	Title
EN 16601-00-01	ECSS-S-ST-00-01	ECSS system - Glossary of terms
EN 16602-10	ECSS-Q-ST-10	Space product assurance - Product assurance management
EN 16602-10-04	ECSS-Q-ST-10-04	Space product assurance - Critical-item control
EN 16602-10-09	ECSS-Q-ST-10-09	Space product assurance - Nonconformance control system
	EN 61340-5-1 (2007)	Electrostatics - Part 5-1: Protection of electronic devices from electrostatic phenomena - General requirements
	ANSI-ESD S20.20-2007	Development of an Electrostatic Discharge Control Program for Protection of Electrical and Electronic Parts, Assemblies and Equipment

## Terms, definitions and abbreviated terms

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### 3.1 Terms from other standards

- a. For the purpose of this Standard, the terms and definitions from ECSS-ST-00-01 apply, in particular for the following terms:
1. nonconformance
  2. process
  3. product assurance
  4. quality assurance
  5. space system
  6. space segment element
  7. space segment sub-system
  8. launch segment element
  9. launch segment sub-system
  10. ground segment element
  11. ground segment sub-system
  12. ground segment sub-system
  13. ground support equipment
  14. space segment equipment
  15. launch segment equipment
  16. ground segment equipment
  17. repeatability

### 3.2 Terms specific to the present standard

#### 3.2.1 acceptance authority media

devices or media to confirm and document acceptance

NOTE 1 Examples of acceptance authority media are stamps, electronic signatures, passwords

NOTE 2 Wording adopted from EN 9100.

### 3.2.2 inspectability

ability of an item of being inspected

NOTE Inspectability includes provisions for the followings aspects:

- Definition of inspection including acceptance or rejection criteria, expressed in an unambiguous and quantified manner.
- Part and component accessibility for inspection
- Definition of tolerance methods for dimensional inspection performance (e.g. functional tolerances).

### 3.2.3 producibility

ability of an item of being producible

NOTE Producibility includes provisions for the following aspects:

- Design simplification and standardization, reduction in part types and part number.
- Guidelines for selection of preferred parts, materials and processes.
- Unambiguous definitions of the requirements and limits to be used.
- Definition of tolerance build-up methods, in order to simplify manufacturing, assembly, inspection.
- Standardization of interfaces.
- Part accessibility for assembly and inspection.
- Definition of design criteria consistent with the capability of manufacturing processes.
- Definition of design methods to ensure that the cleanliness requirements are compatible with the capability of related cleanliness procedures and facilities.

### 3.2.4 testability

ability of an item of being tested

NOTE Testability includes provisions for the followings aspects:

- Definition of test requirements, including acceptance or rejection criteria, expressed in an unambiguous and quantified manner.
- Part and component accessibility for test.

- Definition of recommended design techniques to facilitate fault detection, identification and location (e.g. test points, modularity, built-in test software, and feedback loops).

### 3.3 Abbreviated terms and symbols

For the purpose of this Standard, the abbreviated terms and symbols from ECSS-S-ST-00-01 and the following apply:

<b>Abbreviation</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
AIV	assembly, integration, verification
BB	breadboard
CI	configuration item
CoC	certificate of conformity
DRB	delivery review board
	NOTE: DRB is synonymous to "Acceptance Review Board" (ARB) in ECSS-M-ST-10
DRD	document requirements definition
EEE	electrical, electronic, electromechanical
EGSE	electrical ground support equipment
EIDP	end item data package
FGSE	fluidic ground support equipment
FM	flight model
GSE	ground support equipment
MGSE	mechanical ground support equipment
MIP	mandatory inspection point
NCR	nonconformance report
NRB	nonconformance review board
OGSE	optical ground support equipment
PA	product assurance
PM	project manager
QA	quality assurance
QM	qualification model
RFD	request for deviation
RFW	request for waiver
TRB	test review board
TRR	test readiness review
VCB	verification control board
VCD	verification control document

### 3.4 Nomenclature

The following nomenclature apply throughout this document:

- a. The word “shall” is used in this standard to express requirements. All the requirements are expressed with the word “shall”.
- b. The word “should” is used in this standard to express recommendations. All the recommendations are expressed with the word “should”.

NOTE It is expected that, during tailoring, all the recommendations in this document are either converted into requirements or tailored out.

- c. The words “may” and “need not” are used in this standard to express positive and negative permissions respectively. All the positive permissions are expressed with the word “may”. All the negative permissions are expressed with the words “need not”.
- d. The word “can” is used in this standard to express capabilities or possibilities, and therefore, if not accompanied by one of the previous words, it implies descriptive text.

NOTE In ECSS “may” and “can” have a complete different meaning: “may” is normative (permission) and “can” is descriptive.

- e. The present and past tense are used in this standard to express statement of fact, and therefore they imply descriptive text.

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## Quality assurance principles

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### 4.1 QA management principles

The prime objective of Quality Assurance (QA) management is to ensure that a QA programme for projects covering mission definition, design, development and production of space systems is established, maintained and implemented.

All QA requirements are specified through definition and implementation of adequate methods and procedures.

Personnel whose performance determines or affects product quality are trained and certified in accordance with project needs.

### 4.2 General principles

The implementation of the following phase-independent activities is ensured by the QA function throughout the lead-time of projects:

- critical-items control
- nonconformance control
- alert management
- acceptance authority media control
- traceability
- metrology and calibration
- handling, storage and preservation
- statistical quality control (if required by the business agreement).

### 4.3 Design and verification principles

The objective of the QA function is to ensure that:

- a. a set of design rules and methods has been set up and is consistent with the project techniques and technologies;
- b. methods, procedures and tools have been defined and are implemented in order to prove that each applicable requirement is verified
- c. the design is producible and repeatable and that the resulting product can be verified and operated within the required operating limits;