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ISO/TS 23406:2020(E)**Introduction**

Certification of the Quality Management System (QMS) of an organization supplying products and services Important To Nuclear Safety (ITNS) is one means of providing assurance that the organization has implemented a system for the management of quality in line with its policy.

Supplementing ISO/IEC 17021-1 requirements, this document has been developed for the nuclear sector to assist in the conformity assessment and certification according to ISO 19443.

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Nuclear sector — Requirements for bodies providing audit and certification of quality management systems for organizations supplying products and services important to nuclear safety (ITNS)

1 Scope

This document complements the existing requirements of ISO/IEC 17021-1 for bodies providing audit and certification of quality management systems against ISO 19443.

NOTE This document is recommended for use as a criteria document for accreditation, peer assessment or other audit processes.

2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

ISO 9000, *Quality management systems — Fundamentals and vocabulary*

ISO/IEC 17000, *Conformity assessment — Vocabulary and general principles*

ISO/IEC 17021-1, *Conformity assessment — Requirements for bodies providing audit and certification of management systems — Part 1: Requirements*

ISO 19443, *Quality management systems — Specific requirements for the application of ISO 9001:2015 by organizations in the supply chain of the nuclear energy sector supplying products and services important to nuclear safety (ITNS)*

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3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in ISO 9000, ISO/IEC 17000, ISO/IEC 17021-1 and ISO 19443 apply.

4 Principles

The principles of ISO/IEC 17021-1:2015, Clause 4, apply.

5 General requirements

5.1 Legal and contractual matters

The requirements of ISO/IEC 17021-1:2015, 5.1, apply.

5.2 Management of impartiality

The requirements of ISO/IEC 17021-1:2015, 5.2, apply.

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5.3 Liability and financing

The requirements of ISO/IEC 17021-1:2015, 5.3, apply.

6 Structural requirements

6.1 Organizational Structure and top management

The requirements of ISO/IEC 17021-1:2015, 6.1, apply.

6.2 Operational control

The requirements of ISO/IEC 17021-1:2015, 6.2.1 and 6.2.2, apply and 6.2.2 is complemented as follows.

The certification body shall identify a single office location and appoint an employee of this office that has overall responsibility and authority for the implementation of this standard by all its relevant locations.

7 Resource requirements

7.1 Competence of personnel

7.1.1 General considerations

The requirements of ISO/IEC 17021-1:2015, 7.1.1, apply.

7.1.2 Determination of competence criteria

The requirements of ISO/IEC 17021-1:2015, 7.1.2, apply, and ISO/IEC 17021-1:2015, Annex A is complemented by [Annex A](#) of this document.

7.1.3 Evaluation processes

The requirements of ISO/IEC 17021-1:2015, 7.1.3, apply and are complemented as follows:

- Satisfactory evaluation of auditor competence shall result in a documented auditor qualification.
- The initial qualification shall be based on requirements given in [Annex A](#) and is valid for 3 years.

Qualification renewal for a 3-year period shall be based on demonstration of:

- performance of at least 6 ISO 19443 certification audits in 3 years with a minimum of 20 days of audit,
- maintenance of professional knowledge related to codes, standards, procedures, instructions, and other documents related to quality management systems in nuclear industry,
- participation in mandatory trainings,
- satisfactory supervision of the Auditor,
- absence of significant or recurrent complaint related to his auditing activities.

At any time, the CB shall:

- in case of no auditing activity during more than one year,
- after a non-satisfactory supervision and/or examination of an audit report (internal to the Certification Body or by accreditation body),