



**International Aerospace Quality Group  
Other Party Management Team**

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**NOTICE:**

**Management of Extraordinary Events or Circumstances Affecting ABs, CBs  
and Certified Organizations - Novel Coronavirus - COVID-19**

The IAQG Other Party Management Team (OPMT) accepts that the impact of Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) is an extraordinary event potentially affecting AQMS certified organizations.

The IAQG OPMT expects there to be an increase in missed audits and expired 9100/9110/9120 certificates due to delays in recertification audits as a result of Novel Coronavirus - COVID-19 issues. As an interim step, the IAQG OPMT has asked accredited Certification Bodies (CBs) to conduct virtual audits when possible (in accordance with IAF Mandatory Document 4) and to conduct on-site audits as soon as the certified organization is able to support them.

Any certificates that expire due to COVID-19 related issues will be uniquely identified with [IAF-ID3] appended to the certificate number, and will be eligible for re-instatement, with no penalty.

Customers that recognize Industry Controlled Other Party certificates can utilize the unique identifier to identify affected certificates that are being managed.

We encourage certified organizations to contact their CB to discuss their individual situations and any financial impact.

We appreciate your patience as we strive to work through this unfortunate event. The IAQG remains committed to ongoing communication and will provide updates to this notice as needed.

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