

Knowledge, competences required for assessors, experts participating in the accreditation of inspection bodies

Assessors/experts participating in the procedure of inspection organisations should have appropriate theoretical and practical knowledge in their technical area and be knowledgeable on the following:

- a) the technology used for manufacturing the audited product, the operation of processes, performance of services and their methods,
- b) faults eventually occurring in the use of the product, errors occurring in the operation of the process and deficiencies occurring in the fulfilment of services,
- c) the staff must be familiar with the importance of deviations in the ordinary use of the product, the operation of processes and fulfilment of services,
- d) knowledge of valid national and European rules of law, standards and safety aspect in the given area,
- e) knowledge of technical characteristics of products, equipment, systems and surveillance procedures,
- f) knowledge of the auditing methods and related testing and calibration activities, traceability,
- g) assessors and experts auditing inspection organisations should have specialised knowledge and experience in the valid area of accreditation,
- h) knowledge of auditing requirements and methods,
- i) knowledge of auditing and reporting processes,
- j) knowledge of sampling methods,
- k) Granting A, B and C status (can only be decided by the lead assessor),
- l) knowledge of assessment techniques including the judgement on the evaluation of professional techniques,

- m) experience in planning, manufacturing, producing, maintaining, auditing,
- n) knowledge of mandatory documents (ILAC P15) pertaining to Standard MSZ EN ISO/IEC 17020:2012 and its application.