



Announcement Regarding ISO - ILAC - IAF Mutual Recognition Agreement

Due to the redundant nature of maintaining dual accreditation to both ISO / IEC 17025 and ISO 9001:2000, Conrad Kacsik Instrument Systems, Inc. has determined that it will maintain ISO / IEC 17025 as its primary accreditation standard.

ISO (International Standards Organization), ILAC (International Laboratory Accreditation Council), and IAF (International Accreditation Forum) have published a Mutual Recognition Arrangement. A copy is attached for review.

The arrangement states that in addition to assessing the factors relevant to an organization's ability to produce precise, accurate, test and calibration data, the quality systems elements addressed in ISO 9001 certification are also covered by ISO / IEC 17025. To ensure continued compliance, accredited laboratories are regularly re-examined to ensure that they are maintaining their standards of technical expertise.

Conrad Kacsik Instrument Systems has been accredited by the American Association of Laboratory Accreditation (A2LA), since the year 2000, and will continue this practice in the future.

Please contact our Quality Manager with any additional questions.



*Joint ISO-ILAC-IAF Communiqué
on the
Management Systems Requirements of ISO/IEC 17025:2005,
General Requirements for the competence of testing and calibration
laboratories*

A laboratory's fulfilment of the requirements of ISO/IEC 17025:2005 means the laboratory meets both the technical competence requirements and **management system requirements** that are necessary for it to consistently deliver technically valid test results and calibrations. The **management system requirements** in ISO/IEC 17025 (Section 4) are written in language relevant to laboratory operations and meet the principles of ISO 9001:2000 **Quality Management Systems – Requirements** and are aligned with its pertinent requirements.

ISO Secretary General

ILAC Chair

IAF Chair

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