



**SRI LANKA ACCREDITATION BOARD
for CONFORMITY ASSESSMENT**

QUESTIONNAIRE
for ACCREDITATION of
CALIBRATION LABORATORIES

Instructions to the Applicant:

1. Please fill the questionnaire on your own judgment of activities.
2. Procedures need not always to be documented and may be in the form of Guidelines and Formats.



ACCREDITATION SCHEME FOR CALIBRATION LABORATORIES

QUESTIONNAIRE

This questionnaire is a self-assessment check list to assess the readiness of your laboratory for an assessment by SLAB.

Questionnaire Completed By

Name: _____

Position: _____

Name of the calibration laboratory: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

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01. Management System

Does your Laboratory have a Quality Policy and General Procedures Manual

Yes

No

Does the manual contain / refer to the following?

Scope of laboratory work	Yes/ No
Quality Policy Statement with Chief Executive's endorsement	Yes/ No
Document Control Procedure (Internal and External)	Yes/ No
Procedure for Control of records	Yes/ No
Corrective Action Procedure	Yes/ No
Preventive Action Procedure	Yes/ No
Procedure for Review of requests, tenders and contracts	Yes/ No
Procedure for Handling Complaints	Yes/ No
Procedure for Control of Non-conforming Testing Work	Yes/ No
Internal Auditing Procedure	Yes/ No
Management Review Procedure	Yes/ No
Procedure for Quality Assurance	Yes/No
Procedure for Purchasing	Yes/ No
Procedure for Training	Yes/ No
Procedure for Safe Handling of Calibration Equipment	Yes/ No
Procedure for Calibration of Standards and Equipment	Yes/ No
Procedure for Handling of Test / Calibration Items	Yes/ No
Procedure for Calculation of CMC values	Yes/ No
Job Descriptions	Yes/ No

Please enclose a copy of the manual

Does the Laboratory Maintain Records for

Records of Review of Requests	Yes/ No
Records related to maintenance of Equipment	Yes/ No
Records of Quality Control	Yes/ No
Training Records	Yes/ No
Records related to Competence Development	Yes/ No

Please enclose example copies of some of these.

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02. Accommodation

Brief Description of the Calibration Laboratory

(Please include number of rooms, approximate size of them and any special features)

Please enclose a sketch of the laboratory layout.

Is Environmental Control Necessary? Yes No

If so, is the laboratory air conditioned? Yes No

Control achieved by:

Temperature range = °C

Relative Humidity Range = %

Is temperature monitored?

- Continually
- Occasionally
- Not at all

Is relative humidity monitored?

- Continually
- Occasionally
- Not at all

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03. Equipment

Equipment Inventory

Is there an up-to-date inventory of all items of equipment?

Yes No

What forms are used and what information provided?

Please enclose an example page.

04. Calibration Methods and Procedures

Sources

What calibration methods are used?

National Standards In-house methods
 Other National /International Standards Other

Details of others

Please enclose a copy of calibration method / procedures manual.

Arrangement for up-dating calibration methods manual?

Availability

Are methods available in documented form? Yes No

How many copies available to staff Number.....

Adherence

Are the calibration methods used as documented? Yes No

If not, how is need for modification established and authorized?

What supervision is applied to ensure adherence to details of calibration methods?

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Operating Procedures

Are procedures for receipt, identification, stabilization, storage and retention of artifacts documented?

Receipts Yes No

Identification Yes No

Stabilization and preservation Yes No

Storage Yes No

Retention Yes No

Are procedures for preparing standards solutions and materials documented? Yes No

05. Proficiency Testing

Has the laboratory developed a PT/inter-laboratory comparison plan Yes No

Has the laboratory participated in PT or any inter laboratory comparison programmes for the tests applied ? Yes No

If the Laboratory has not participated in PT/inter-comparisons, list down those tests Yes No

Please enclose three years PT/ Inter-laboratory comparison plan in accordance with format given in Annex - A

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06. Records and Calibration Data

How is Calibration Data Recorded?

- | | |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> In workbooks | <input type="checkbox"/> Ink or ball pen |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Proforma worksheets | <input type="checkbox"/> Pencil |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Plain paper | |

How Frequency are Calculations & Data Transfers Checked?

- Full check on all calculations and transfers
- Regular partial check %
(Enclose statistical justification for partial checks)
- Occasional checks (Not acceptable)
- No regular check (Not acceptable)

How is Calibration Data Stored?

- | | |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> In workbooks | <input type="checkbox"/> Proforma worksheets |
| <input type="checkbox"/> In files | <input type="checkbox"/> On computer |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other (details please) | |

Can Calibration Data be readily retrieved starting from?

- | | |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Client name | <input type="checkbox"/> Project name |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Date of test | <input type="checkbox"/> Issued test report |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify) | |

Please enclose samples copies of examples of such data.

Please attach a copy of the report of your internal audit together with corrective action records and a copy of the minutes of the last management review.

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07. Calibration Reports

Reports Issued

- To statutory authorities Internal reports only
 To all clients At clients' request only

Frequency

The expected or actual

Annual rate of issue is:

- Less than 10 10-50
 50-250 Greater than 250

Format

The draft actual or simplified form

Format provides for:

- Name of laboratory Calibration method
 Serial No: Units of measurement
 Date of issue Approved signatory
 Statement of compliance of sample with specification
 Confidence limits and limits of detection
 Comments necessary to interpret results
 Professional advice on use of results

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Issue & Retention

Are reports typed Computer-printed Transmitted direct form computer

Are copies retained? Yes No

Does a copy carry full information given on original, including signature? Yes No

Is a register of calibration reports kept? Yes No

How are retained copies filed?

In numerical sequence In client's name In project file

Please enclose copies of typical reports (3-5) and associated work book (page)/Work sheet.

08. Miscellaneous

Have you enclosed copies of the following with the application? *(Please tick off, as applicable)*

- | | |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Application for accreditation. | <input type="checkbox"/> An organizational chart. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> A sketch of the accommodation | <input type="checkbox"/> List of Equipment |
| <input type="checkbox"/> .Key calibration and traceability certificates. | <input type="checkbox"/> Examples of quality control data. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> PT/ Inter-laboratory comparison plan | <input type="checkbox"/> Cross reference matrix |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Examples of relevant calibration records. | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Measurements/Calibrations for which accreditation is sought. | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Laboratory's documented Quality System (Quality Manual & Procedures Manual). | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Two signed copies of Terms and Conditions of maintaining SLAB accreditation (CL-RG(P)-03) | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Examples of job descriptions and training records. | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Copies of relevant calibration reports (3-5) and associated work book (pages)/work sheet. | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Internal audit report and corrective action records. | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Management review records. | |

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**Annex A
(Informative)**

Three Year PT / Inter-laboratory comparison Plan

Laboratory Name							
Accreditation Number (if accredited by SLAB)							
Field of Calibration							
Three Year Period of Participation			From		To		
Field of Calibration	Calibration items/instruments	Parameter/s	Participation plan (Year wise)			Name of PT provider	Remarks by the laboratory
			Year-1	Year-2	Year-3		

If laboratory organizes Inter-laboratory comparison, provide justification:-

**Annex B
(Informative)**

Example for Cross Reference Matrix

Clause Number of ISO/IEC 17025	Quality Manual (Section / page)	Standard Operating Procedure/ Work Instructions (Identification number of procedure/ Work Instruction)	Formats/ Plans (Identification number of format/ plan)	Other documents
4.1.1	Chapter 04, page 15/45	No	No	Company registration certificate
4.1.2				
4.1.3				
4.1.4				
4.1.5 - a				
4.1.5 - b				
4.1.5 - c				

Note: Laboratory should develop cross reference matrix for both management and technical requirements