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02	1/08/12	3.3	Reference to SI	
03	1/3/17	GD-3.3.6 29,30,31,32	Addition of classification and sub classification	

GD-3.1	Purpose:
GD-3.1.1	To ensure that the ACCAB applicants and accredited Testing Laboratories can precisely define as possible each of the tests parameter for which it seeks accreditation.
GD-3.2	Scope:
GD-3.2.1	This guidance note is published for the informative use for the applicants and accredited Testing Laboratories who follow the ACCAB accreditation.
GD-3.3	Operation:
GD-3.3.1	The scope of accreditation issued by ACCAB to its accredited laboratories is a formal document. The scope contains information for which accreditation has been granted in regards to types of tests performed, techniques used and detection limits.
GD-3.3.2	It is the obligation of the laboratory to prepare its proposed scope of accreditation before its initial assessment. The proposed scope of accreditation will be examined by the assessor during onsite assessment for accuracy and entirety. The laboratory and the assessor are required to sign the proposed scope of accreditation and submit it to ACCAB for review with the assessment report. The proposed scope of accreditation may be modified by ACCAB as a result of technical review of the assessment report.
GD-3.3.3	The scope of accreditation is subject to review during the accreditation and re-accreditation assessment. In case of routine surveillance the scope is subject to review in case it requires any changes.
GD-3.3.4	It is ACCAB policy to use SI (The International System of Units) for reporting results of measurements on scope of accreditation.
GD-3.3.5	ACCAB suggests that NIST SP 811 and ISO 31 series documents are used as direct guidance on the use of symbols and numbers. As it is obligatory on part of the ACCAB applicants and accredited Testing Laboratories to know and understand the requirements of SI on their scope of accreditation.
GD-3.3.6	The classification is based on the Classification System for Testing employed by the National Association of Testing Laboratories (NATA) in Australia. The ACCAB acknowledges the copyright of NATA in this respect.

GD No.	CLASSIFICATION	SUB CLASSIFICATION
GD-3.3.6.1	<input type="checkbox"/> Acoustic Measurement	<input type="checkbox"/> Noise emission <input type="checkbox"/> Sound transfer <input type="checkbox"/> Noise strain <input type="checkbox"/> Sound absorption
GD-3.3.6.2	<input type="checkbox"/> Ballistic Measurement	<input type="checkbox"/> Influence parameter for shooting weapon
GD-3.3.6.3	<input type="checkbox"/> Fire testing	<input type="checkbox"/> Fire proofing <input type="checkbox"/> Protection & extinguishing <input type="checkbox"/> Fire dispersion equipment for fire detection <input type="checkbox"/> Inflammability <input type="checkbox"/> Ignition ability <input type="checkbox"/> Alarm
GD-3.3.6.4	<input type="checkbox"/> Dimension Measurement	<input type="checkbox"/> Products <input type="checkbox"/> Machine tools <input type="checkbox"/> Components <input type="checkbox"/> Fixtures etc excluding calibration
GD-3.3.6.5	<input type="checkbox"/> Testing of electronic / electrical equipment / product	<input type="checkbox"/> Testing of electronic/electrical equipments/products
GD-3.3.6.6	<input type="checkbox"/> Testing of electromagnetic compatibility (EMC)	<input type="checkbox"/> Testing of electromagnetic capability (EMC)
GD-3.3.6.7	<input type="checkbox"/> Chemical material(s) testing	<input type="checkbox"/> Metal Material <input type="checkbox"/> Plastic & rubber <input type="checkbox"/> Wood & Wooden material (paper included) <input type="checkbox"/> Concrete & ballast <input type="checkbox"/> Textile & leather
GD-3.3.6.8	<input type="checkbox"/> Geology	<input type="checkbox"/> Physical geology <input type="checkbox"/> Petrology <input type="checkbox"/> Mineralogy & related activities
GD-3.3.6.9	<input type="checkbox"/> Testing of personal safety & protection equipments	<input type="checkbox"/> Testing of personal safety & protection equipments
GD-3.3.6.10	<input type="checkbox"/> Non destructive testing (NDT)	<input type="checkbox"/> X-ray <input type="checkbox"/> Turbulence stream <input type="checkbox"/> Visual Assessment <input type="checkbox"/> Gamma & neutron radiography <input type="checkbox"/> Magnetic & liquid penetration investigations <input type="checkbox"/> Electromagnetic dimension <input type="checkbox"/> Ultrasound
GD-3.3.6.11	<input type="checkbox"/> Information technology(IT)	<input type="checkbox"/> Gaming system testing <input type="checkbox"/> Health care software testing <input type="checkbox"/> General software testing
GD-3.3.6.12	<input type="checkbox"/> Chemical testing	<input type="checkbox"/> Organic methods, instrumental <input type="checkbox"/> Petroleum chemistry <input type="checkbox"/> Constituents of environment <input type="checkbox"/> Inorganic methods, instrumental <input type="checkbox"/> Biochemistry <input type="checkbox"/> Physical methods <input type="checkbox"/> Food Chemistry
GD-3.3.6.13	<input type="checkbox"/> Corrosion testing	<input type="checkbox"/> Testing of reaction between product & environment
GD-3.3.6.14	<input type="checkbox"/> Physical material (s) testing	<input type="checkbox"/> Metal materials <input type="checkbox"/> Concrete & ballast & asphalt <input type="checkbox"/> Odontological materials <input type="checkbox"/> Surface materials(e.g. sports covers, roofing) <input type="checkbox"/> Wood & Wooden material (paper included) <input type="checkbox"/> Furniture structures <input type="checkbox"/> Plastic & rubber <input type="checkbox"/> Textile & leather <input type="checkbox"/> Others
GD-3.3.6.15	<input type="checkbox"/> Metallurgical testing	<input type="checkbox"/> Examination in order to determine structure & properties of metals & alloys for metallography <input type="checkbox"/> Micro hardness macro & micro examination with the help of optical scanning and electro-optical technique <input type="checkbox"/> X-ray diffraction & other techniques
GD-3.3.6.16	<input type="checkbox"/> Microbiological testing	<input type="checkbox"/> Conventional culture methods and immunological methods <input type="checkbox"/> Mycology <input type="checkbox"/> Other material <input type="checkbox"/> Parasitology <input type="checkbox"/> Bacteriology <input type="checkbox"/> Virology <input type="checkbox"/> Food Microbiology
GD-	<input type="checkbox"/> Examination of the	<input type="checkbox"/> Examination of equipments <input type="checkbox"/> Components & materials under simulated environmental condition for <input type="checkbox"/> Packing

3.3.6.17	environments influence on products & equipments	storage <input type="checkbox"/> Transport & use consist of vibrations, shock drop, impact, acceleration, temperature, humidity, pressure, corrosion & formation of fungus
GD-3.3.6.18	<input type="checkbox"/> Behaviour	<input type="checkbox"/> Test which measures and characterize function, results and effectiveness of mechanisms, equipments or building <input type="checkbox"/> Food rheology and other physical testing
GD-3.3.6.19	<input type="checkbox"/> Sensory analysis	<input type="checkbox"/> Characterization of products, e.g. food, for human evaluation of test, odor & appearance
GD-3.3.6.20	<input type="checkbox"/> Security	<input type="checkbox"/> Security examination of construction, material, equipment & consumer products (cloths, furniture & fixtures, toys, pram & electrical consumer goods)
GD-3.3.6.21	<input type="checkbox"/> Taxonomy	<input type="checkbox"/> Qualitative and qualitative determination of plants and animals
GD-3.3.6.22	<input type="checkbox"/> Ionizing radiations & radio activity	<input type="checkbox"/> Ionizing radiations and radio activity
GD-3.3.6.23	<input type="checkbox"/> Molecular biology	<input type="checkbox"/> Pointing out, identification & quantification of Micro-organism(bacteria, algae, fungus, single cell parasite, virus & prions) <input type="checkbox"/> Pointing out, identification & quantification of Macro molecules (DNA, RNA, proteins, polysaccharides, lipid & lipopolisaccharides). <input type="checkbox"/> Polymer chain reaction (PCR), <input type="checkbox"/> Restriction enzyme analysis <input type="checkbox"/> Pulse field electrophoreses, <input type="checkbox"/> RNA/DNA- hybridization, <input type="checkbox"/> DNA microarrays (Genchips) <input type="checkbox"/> Any other
GD-3.3.6.24	<input type="checkbox"/> Biology	<input type="checkbox"/> Use of biological systems (Cell cultures, animal & plants) <input type="checkbox"/> Detection and/or quantification of vitamins, toxins Food) etc. <input type="checkbox"/> Determination of cytotoxicity of materials & products
GD-3.3.6.25	<input type="checkbox"/> Genetically modified organisms (GMO)	<input type="checkbox"/> Genetically modified organisms(GMO) <input type="checkbox"/> Molecular Biology (including genetically modified organisms)
GD-3.3.6.26	<input type="checkbox"/> Veterinary medicine	<input type="checkbox"/> Veterinary medicine
GD-3.3.6.27	<input type="checkbox"/> Bio-banks	<input type="checkbox"/> Applies bio-banks not working in the medical field
GD-3.3.6.28	<input type="checkbox"/> Forensic examinations	<input type="checkbox"/> Forensic examinations from living creature <input type="checkbox"/> Examination from equipment
GD-3.3.6.29	<input type="checkbox"/> Construction material testing	<input type="checkbox"/> Soil <input type="checkbox"/> Aggregates <input type="checkbox"/> Bituminous mixture <input type="checkbox"/> Concrete <input type="checkbox"/> Stabilized Material <input type="checkbox"/> Rock <input type="checkbox"/> Peat material <input type="checkbox"/> Geo-textile <input type="checkbox"/> Asphalt <input type="checkbox"/> Clay
GD-3.3.6.30	<input type="checkbox"/> Renewable Energy	<input type="checkbox"/> Tidal and wind <input type="checkbox"/> Solar energy
GD-3.3.6.31	<input type="checkbox"/> Environmental	<input type="checkbox"/> Radiochemistry & radiology <input type="checkbox"/> Asbestos sampling and analysis <input type="checkbox"/> Soil sampling and Chemistry analysis <input type="checkbox"/> Water <input type="checkbox"/> Gases <input type="checkbox"/> Air <input type="checkbox"/> Occupational hygiene <input type="checkbox"/> Paints & Coating <input type="checkbox"/> Drug of abuse <input type="checkbox"/> Noise Emission
GD-3.3.6.32	<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural	<input type="checkbox"/> Effectiveness of Pesticide <input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural Product and material <input type="checkbox"/> Water <input type="checkbox"/> Seed testing
GD-3.3.6.33	<input type="checkbox"/> Any other	
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