

Justification ; Proposed Modifications for EL-V4

Standard Update - Summary of Suggested Changes and Justification

| Current Standard | Suggested Change | Justification |
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| General Requirements for an Accreditor of Environmental Proficiency Test Providers | General Requirements for an Accreditation Body of Environmental Proficiency Testing Providers | Consistency with TNI terminology, BoD and PTPEC recommendations |
| Table of Contents | Table of Content revised to reflect reorganization of EL-V4 | Revised for consistency with ISO 17011 |
| Introduction, Scope and Applicability | Revised to present as separate sections | Improved clarity and consistency with ISO 17011 |
| Normative References | Added normative references | Changed from none cited to include EL-V3 and ISO 17011 |
| Definitions | Minor editorial changes; added "Comprehensive Assessment", "Surveillance Assessment" and PTPEC | Reflects improved clarity, removes potential conflicts and provides terms relevant to ISO 17011 |
| Requirements for Proficiency Testing Provider Executive Committee | Removed from proposed EL-V4 and combined in new section entitled "Qualification Requirements". | Reflects improved clarity, and provides consistency with ISO 17011; relevant deleted text in SOP. |
| Requirements for Proficiency Testing Provider Accreditor | Removed from proposed EL-V4 and combined in new section entitled "Qualification Requirements". | Reflects improved clarity, and provides consistency with ISO 17011. Requirements of all parties now in one section. |
| PTPA requirements for Assessment and Accreditation of Proficiency Test Providers | Requirements included in new section of revised EL-V4 entitled "Process Requirements". | Reflects improved clarity, removes potential conflicts and provides consistency with ISO 17011. |

Note: This table can be used to prepare for a public meeting to seek stakeholder input.

Note: When the standard has been developed and is presented as a Draft Standard, a new version of this table is prepared noting the actual changes made to the standard. The "Suggested Change" column will include the actual language from the DS. The "Original Text" column will include the language from the previous (if any) standard. The "Justification" column states the reason for the change and provides any additional comments the expert committee thinks are pertinent.