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Conformity assessment — Requirements for bodies providing audit and certification of management systems — Part 12: Competence requirements for auditing and certification of collaborative business relationship management systems

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Foreword

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The procedures used to develop this document and those intended for its further maintenance are described in the ISO/IEC Directives, Part 1. In particular the different approval criteria needed for the different types of document should be noted. This document was drafted in accordance with the editorial rules of the ISO/IEC Directives, Part 2 (see www.iso.org/directives).

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Introduction

ISO 44001 sets out a coherent framework for collaborative business relationship management. Personnel certifying the management system for collaborative business relationship (CBRMS) need to have generic competencies described in ISO/IEC 17021-1:2015, as well as the specific management system competencies described in this document.

This document complements the requirements in ISO/IEC 17021-1:2015 and the guiding principles in ISO/IEC 17021-1:2015, clause 4. In particular, it clarifies the requirements for the competence of personnel involved in the certification process set out in ISO/IEC 17021-1:2015, Annex A.

Certification bodies have a responsibility to interested parties, including their clients and the customers of the organizations whose management systems are certified, to ensure that only those auditors who demonstrate the relevant competence are allowed to conduct collaborative business relationship management system (CBRMS) audits.

Certification bodies will identify the specific audit team competence necessary for the scope of each audit. When developing the competence criteria, certification bodies recognise the importance of the number and maturity of relationships, together with the complexity of the arrangements and the iterative nature of the requirements throughout the lifecycle of the relationships.

This document is applicable for auditing and certification of a CBRMS based on ISO 44001. The aim of this document is to:

- establish a consistent approach to certification body assessments and certifications to ISO 44001;
- provide common perspective to the rigour of assessment activities to ensure assessed management systems support the themes promoted by the standard;
- identify the collaborative ethos which underpins the requirements of ISO 44001 so providing major client organisations and industry at large the opportunity to recognise a validated common approach and the integrity of the certification process.

In this document, the following verbal forms are used:

- “shall” indicates a requirement;
- “should” indicates a recommendation;
- “may” indicates a permission;
- “can” indicates a possibility or a capability.

Further details can be found in the ISO/IEC Directives, Part 2.

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Conformity assessment — Requirements for bodies providing audit and certification of management systems — Part 12: Competence requirements for auditing and certification of collaborative business relationship management systems

1 Scope

This document specifies additional competence requirements for personnel involved in the audit and certification process of collaborative business relationship management systems (CBRMS) and complements the existing requirements of ISO/IEC 17021-1.

2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

ISO/IEC 17021-1:2015 *Conformity assessment — Requirements for bodies providing audit and certification of management systems – Part 1: Requirements*

ISO 44001: 2017 *Collaborative business relationship management systems — Requirements and framework*

ISO/TR 44000: *Principles for successful collaborative business relationship management*

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in ISO 44001 and ISO/IEC 17021-1 apply. ISO and IEC maintain terminological databases for use in standardization at the following addresses:

- ISO Online browsing platform: available at <https://www.iso.org/obp>
- IEC Electropedia: available at <http://www.electropedia.org/>

4 Generic competence requirements

The certification body shall define the competence requirements for each certification function as referenced in ISO/IEC 17021-1:2015, Table A.1. When defining these competence requirements, the certification body shall take into account all the requirements specified in ISO/IEC 17021-1, as well as those specified in Clauses 5, 6 and 7 of this document.

NOTE 1 Annex A provides an overview of the competence requirements for personnel involved in specific certification functions.

NOTE 2 ISO 19011 provides information on the principles of auditing.

5 Competence requirements for CBRMS auditors

5.1 General

All personnel involved in CBRMS auditing shall have the generic competence described in ISO/IEC 17021-1 and the CBRMS knowledge described in 5.2 to 5.10.

NOTE 1 It is not necessary for each auditor in the audit team to have the same competence, however the collective competence of the audit team needs to be sufficient to achieve the audit objectives.

NOTE 2 An audit team can consist of one or more persons.

5.2 Collaborative business relationship management premise, terminology, principles, practices and techniques

Personnel involved in CBRMS auditing shall have knowledge and understanding of:

- a) collaborative business relationship (CBR) management and the interrelated nature of the principles as outlined in ISO/TR 44000;
- b) the nature and drivers of collaborative relationships (see Annex F, ISO 44001) and the way they are implemented and managed;
- c) the complexity and interdependency of relationships and
- d) the CBR management terminology.

5.3 Collaborative leadership

Personnel involved in CBRMS auditing shall have knowledge and understanding of principles used for effective collaborative leadership.

5.4 Visions and values

Personnel involved in CBRMS auditing shall have knowledge and understanding of the impact of the visions and values of the organizations on the effectiveness of the collaboration.

5.5 Collaborative behaviour

Personnel involved in CBRMS auditing shall have knowledge and understanding of skills and processes that facilitate the collaborative behaviour.

5.6 Trust and commitment

Personnel involved in CBRMS auditing shall have knowledge and understanding of the influence of trust and commitment on collaborative business relationships.

5.7 Information and knowledge sharing

Personnel involved in CBRMS auditing shall have knowledge and understanding of the effects of information and knowledge management on collaborative business relationships.

5.8 Risk management

Personnel involved in CBRMS auditing shall have knowledge and understanding of the risk management within the context of the lifecycle of collaborative relationships.

5.9 Exit strategy

Personnel involved in CBRMS auditing shall have knowledge to understand the impact of the exit strategy on organizations and throughout the lifecycle of the collaborative relationships.

5.10 Contractual arrangements

Personnel involved in CBRMS auditing shall have knowledge of collaborative arrangements and related contractual arrangements that can impact collaboration.

6 Competence of personnel reviewing audit reports and making certification decisions

6.1 Collaborative business relationship management premise, terminology, principles, practices and techniques

Personnel reviewing audit reports and making certification decisions shall have knowledge and understanding of:

- a) the CBR management and the interrelated nature of the principles as outlined in ISO/TR 44000;
- b) the CBR management terminology.

6.2 Collaborative behaviour

Personnel reviewing audit reports and making certification decisions shall have knowledge of skills and processes that facilitate the collaborative behaviour.

6.3 Information and knowledge sharing

Personnel reviewing audit reports and making certification decisions shall have knowledge of the effects of information and knowledge management on collaborative business relationships.

6.4 Risk management

Personnel reviewing audit reports and making certification decisions shall have knowledge of the risk management within the context of the lifecycle of collaborative relationships.

6.5 Exit strategy

Personnel reviewing audit reports and making certification decisions shall have knowledge to understand the impact of the exit strategy on organizations and throughout the lifecycle of the collaborative relationships.

6.6 Contractual arrangements

Personnel reviewing audit reports and making certification decisions shall have knowledge of collaborative arrangements and related contractual arrangements that can impact collaboration.

7 Competence requirements for other certification personnel

7.1 Collaborative business relationship management premise, terminology, principles, practices and techniques

Personnel conducting the application review to determine the audit team competence required, to select the audit team members, and to determine the audit time shall have knowledge and understanding of the CBR management terminology.

7.2 Contractual arrangements

Personnel conducting the application review to determine the audit team competence required, to select the audit team members, and to determine the audit time shall have knowledge of collaborative arrangements and related contractual arrangements that can impact collaboration.

Annex A
(informative)

Knowledge for auditing and certification of collaborative business relationship management systems

Table A.1 provides an overview of the knowledge required for auditing and certification of collaborative business relationship management systems. Table A.1 identifies the areas of knowledge for specific certification functions. The competence requirements for each function are stated in Clauses 5, 6 and 7.

Table A.1 — Knowledge for auditing and certification of collaborative business relationship management systems

Knowledge	Certification functions		
	Conducting the application review to determine audit team competence required, to select the audit team members, and to determine the audit time	Reviewing audit reports and making certification decisions	Auditing and leading the audit team
Collaborative business relationship management premise, terminology, principles, practices and techniques	7.1	6.1	5.2
Collaborative leadership			5.3
Vision and values			5.4
Collaborative behaviour		6.2	5.5
Trust and commitment			5.6
Information and knowledge sharing		6.3	5.7
Risk management		6.4	5.8
Exit strategy		6.5	5.9
Contractual arrangements	7.2	6.6	5.10

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ISO 10667-2, *Assessment service delivery — Procedures and methods to assess people in work and organizational settings — Part 2: Requirements for service providers*