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NIST Handbook 150-6, which presents the technical requirements and guidance for the accreditation of laboratories under the NVLAP Carpet and carpet Cushion (CCC) LAP, has been revised.

The following are the primary changes that have been made with this revision of Handbook 150-6:

- the numbering has been updated to reflect that used by ISO/IEC 17025:2017, *General requirements for the competence of testing and calibration laboratories*.
- requirements that closely duplicated existing requirements in either ISO/IEC 17025 or NIST Handbook 150 have been removed.

The 2020 edition of NIST Handbook 150-6 supersedes and replaces the 2006 edition effective immediately. It is available for downloading (PDF format) from the NVLAP website <<http://www.nist.gov/nvlap>> under NVLAP Program-Specific Handbooks. The corresponding NIST Handbook 150-6 Checklist (ISO/IEC 17025:2017) has also been updated and posted on the NVLAP website under NVLAP Publications and Forms.

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