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MB	Line/Clause/ Subclause	Type of Comment	Comment (Justification for Change) by the MB	Proposed Change by the MB	Convener Observations
TIA/QuEST Forum	Lines 152-153	ed	Suggested change for clarification	Change "including product, management system, and personnel" to "including certification of products, management systems, and personnel".	
TIA/QuEST Forum	Lines 153-154	te	CABs are accredited based on their competence.	Change "includes accreditation of the competence of those activities by a third party" to "includes third party accreditation of the conformity assessment bodies (CABs) performing those activities, based on review of their competence".	
TIA/QuEST Forum	Line 155	ed	Incorrect subject-verb agreement	Change "operate" to "operates".	
TIA/QuEST Forum	Line 165	ge	The use of the term "purchaser" seems outdated. Also, differing terms are used throughout the document including "buyer", "purchaser", "manufacturer", "regulator", "Certification Body", "Registrar" and "Conformity Assessment Body".	Suggest consistency in the use of the terms, along with definitions.	
TIA/QuEST Forum	Line 172	ed	Improve readability by adding missing "the".	Change "and/or performance" to "and/or the performance".	
TIA/QuEST Forum	Line 189	te	State correct full name of TBT Agreement.	Change "Agreement of" to "Agreement on".	
TIA/QuEST Forum	Line 193	ed	Grammar error	Change "Federal Agency's" to "Federal Agencies".	
TIA/QuEST Forum	Line 194	te	The TBT Agreement is incorrectly quoted.	Change "be" to "not be".	
TIA/QuEST Forum	Line 196-200	te	The TBT Agreement does not appear to be quoted just as it appears at https://www.wto.org/english/tratop_e/tbt_e/tbtagr_e.htm: a number of words and phrases appear to have been changed.	Consider quoting TBT Agreement exactly; or else remove quotation marks if it is to be paraphrased.	
TIA/QuEST Forum	Line 228	ed	"cover" doesn't seem like the correct word	Change "cover" to "have a bearing on".	
TIA/QuEST Forum	Line 244	ed	In this sense, the word is usually spelled "gauge".	Change "gage" to "gauge".	
TIA/QuEST Forum	Line 245	ed	Typo	Change "as" to "a".	
TIA/QuEST	Line 250	ed	One normally says "confidence in".	Change "of" to "in".	

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TIA/QuEST Forum	Line 263	te	Clarify the sense.	Change "conformity" to "confidence in the conformity".	
TIA/QuEST Forum	Line 264	te	Clarify the meaning.	Change "surveillance" to "surveillance activities".	
TIA/QuEST Forum	Line 265	te	Clarify the meaning.	Change "organizations" to "bodies".	
TIA/QuEST Forum	Line 265	ed	Missing period	Add a period at the end of the sentence.	
TIA/QuEST Forum	Line 271	te	Conformity assessment activities may be based on other sets of requirements besides international standards (e.g., national standards, regulatory requirements, customer standards et al.).	Change "are based" to "are often based".	
TIA/QuEST Forum	Line 275	ed	"SDoc" is spelled "SDOC" everywhere else in the document: this table should follow suit for consistency.	Change "SDoC" to "SDOC" (and consider providing the definition since this is the term's first occurrence in the document).	
TIA/QuEST Forum	Line 275, 446	te	The term "registrar" is being superseded by "certification body".	Change "Registrars" to "Certification Bodies" (optionally followed by "(Registrars)" if you feel it is necessary) at l. 274; change "Registrars" to "a Certification Body (or Registrar)" at l. 446.	
TIA/QuEST Forum	Line 280	ed	Missing apostrophe	Change "Suppliers" to "Supplier's".	
TIA/QuEST Forum	Lines 283, 316	ed	Typos (one too many zeroes)	Change "170000" to "17000".	
TIA/QuEST Forum	Line 290, 396, 404, 456, 492, 585	te	The terms "compliance" and "noncompliance" are normally used only in a specifically legal context, which is not the intent here.	Change "noncompliance" to "nonconformity" (l. 290), "compliance" to "conformity" (ll. 396, 404, 456, 492, 585).	
TIA/QuEST Forum	Line 291 & 292	ed	"nonconformant" is not the usual term	Replace "nonconformant" with "nonconforming"	
TIA/QuEST Forum	Line 295, 394, 396-7	ed	"first/second/third party", when used as a noun phrase, is not normally hyphenated in this document: be consistent here.	Change "first-party" to "first party" (l. 295), "third-party" to "third party" (ll. 394, 396-7).	

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TIA/QuEST Forum	Line 325-326	ed	Missing articles	Change "presence of inspector" to "the presence of an inspector".	
TIA/QuEST Forum	Line 330-1, 492-4	ge	The importance of any conformity assessment body's competence has been stated at lines 181-182. Obviously, it applies across the board. Why call it out with specific reference to inspection bodies at l. 331 and of accreditation bodies at l. 493?	Delete the sentences at ll. 330-1 & 492-4.	
TIA/QuEST Forum	Line 347	ed	Missing comma	Insert comma following "2017".	
TIA/QuEST Forum	Line 364	ed	One normally conducts tests on something, not to it.	Change "to" to "on".	
TIA/QuEST Forum	Line 371	ed	Missing article	Insert the word "a" before "supplier's".	
TIA/QuEST Forum	Line 373	ed	Correct noun-verb agreement; don't use specifically legal term.	Change "complies with" to "conform to".	
TIA/QuEST Forum	Line 375	te	Objects don't have results; assessments do.	Delete "object under".	
TIA/QuEST Forum	Line 378, 400, 405	te	The term "comply" is normally used only in a specifically legal context, which is not the intent here.	Change "comply with" to "conform to" (l. 378), "complies" to "conforms" (l. 400), "complies with" to "conforms to" (l. 405).	
TIA/QuEST Forum	Line 381	ed	Correct noun-verb agreement; and change verb since requirements don't "utilize" testing.	Change "utilizes" to "call for".	
TIA/QuEST Forum	Line 395	ed	Missing apostrophe; inconsistent hyphenation.	Change "assessments non-conformity" to "assessment's nonconformity".	
TIA/QuEST Forum	Line 406	ed	Inconsistent hyphenation.	Change "non-conformities" to "nonconformities".	
TIA/QuEST Forum	Line 411-413	ge	The meaning of this sentence is unclear – especially the significance of the phrase "considering the quality management system".	Rewrite the sentence to make its meaning clear.	
TIA/QuEST Forum	Line 421-422	ed	Clumsily written	Change "There are many different organizations that operate third-party certification programs. The following provide examples of different types of	

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				organizations, including" to "There are many different types of organizations that operate third-party certification programs, including".	
TIA/QuEST Forum	Line 444	te	This is not true: registration is not a synonym for certification.	Delete the sentence.	
TIA/QuEST Forum	Line 446	te	Not all mgmt. system standards utilize surveillance assessments (e.g., ANSI ESD S20.20).	Change "surveillance" to "surveillance and/or recertification".	
TIA/QuEST Forum	Line 447-448	te	Clarify the meaning while stating more correctly.	Change "are generally used in compliance with" to "is generally performed against"; change "and environmental" to "environmental and other".	
TIA/QuEST Forum	Line 459	te	Certification Bodies are no longer required to "publish lists of organizations and their scope of certification", as ISO 17021-1:2015 now requires that this information be provided "upon request"	Revise to state "provide the name and scope of certified organizations".	
TIA/QuEST Forum	Line 475-476	ed	What is the distinction between "facilities" and "plants"? The word "packaging" does not belong in a list of types of building.	Delete "plants, packaging".	
TIA/QuEST Forum	Line 485	ed	Incorrect noun-verb agreement.	Change "is" to "they are".	
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TIA/QuEST Forum	Line 488-490	ed	This list of "tasks" includes a series of items that aren't tasks ("management systems" through "services").	Correct the sentence to say clearly what it means.	
TIA/QuEST Forum	Line 498	te	CABs don't monitor only "manufacturers".	Change "manufacturers" to "objects of assessment".	
TIA/QuEST Forum	Line 500	te	Correct errors and omissions in the graphic.	Add "17021-1" to the list of standards in the 2nd block. Delete "Requirements/" from the 3rd block and change "Object" to "Objects".	
TIA/QuEST Forum	Line 502	ed	"in" makes more sense than "among" here	Change "among" to "in".	
TIA/QuEST Forum	Line 511	ed	Things are normally sold in, not to, countries.	Change "to" to "in".	

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TIA/QuEST Forum	Line 521	ed	Missing word	Insert "as" before the word "the".	
TIA/QuEST Forum	Line 532	te	Surely, per its title, ISO/IEC 17067 deals only with schemes for product certification.	Delete ", processes, or services".	
TIA/QuEST Forum	Lines 537, 608	ed	Missing apostrophes	Append an apostrophe to "agencies" in line 537 and to "members" in 608.	
TIA/QuEST Forum	Line 617	te	Incorrect word (one does not "meet" "results")	Change "results" to "requirements".	
TIA/QuEST Forum	Line 628	ed	Clarify the meaning	Change "another" to "another's".	
TIA/QUEST Forum	Line 639	te	Some of the references listed are not current. For example ISO 17021 now has multiple parts as in -1, -2, -3… with different issue dates	Update line 646 to show ISO 17011:2017 Update line 652	
TIA/QuEST Forum	Line 674-675	te	Incorrect revision year stated	Change 2 occurrences of "2005" to "2015".	

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