

**DECISION  
OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION  
NO. 514 OF JULY 6, 2001  
ON THE ACCREDITATION OF ORGANISATIONS PURSUING  
THE ACTIVITY OF ASSESSING THE COMPLIANCE OF PRODUCTS,  
MANUFACTURING PROCESSES AND SERVICES  
WITH ESTABLISHED QUALITY AND SAFETY STANDARDS**

The Government of the Russian Federation hereby resolves:

**1.** To endorse the [Regulations](#) on the Accreditation of Organisations , Manufacturing Processes and Services with Established Quality and Safety Standards attached hereto.

**2.** The State Committee for Standards and Metrology of the Russian Federation shall:  
arrange for the keeping of a state register of the accredited organisations pursuing the activity of assessing the compliance of products, manufacturing processes and services with established quality and safety standards;

set up, by agreement with the federal executive bodies and organisations concerned, an inter-departmental commission for the accreditation of organisations pursuing the activity of assessing the compliance of products, manufacturing processes and services with established quality and safety standards,

lay proposals within two months before the Government of the Russian Federation for amending regulatory legal acts in line with the present Decision.

Chairman  
of the Government  
of the Russian Federation

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**Regulations  
on the Accreditation of Organisations Pursuing the Activity  
of Assessing the Compliance of Products, Manufacturing  
Processes and Services with Established Quality  
and Safety Standards  
(Endorsed by [Decision](#) of the Government  
of the Russian Federation No. 514 of July 6, 2001)**

**1.** The present Regulations set out the principles of formation and operation in the Russian Federation of a system intended for accrediting organisations pursuing the activity of assessing the compliance of products, manufacturing processes and services with established quality and safety standards (hereinafter 'the accreditation system').

**2.** Accreditation shall be effected in respect of organisations which have declared their intent to obtain a recognition of their competence in the field of assessment of the compliance of products, manufacturing processes and services with established quality and safety standards (hereinafter 'the applicants').

**3.** While carrying out accreditation the State Committee for Standards and Metrology of the Russian Federation, other federal bodies of executive bodies and organisations empowered in the field of accreditation (hereinafter referred to as "accreditation bodies"), accreditation experts certified in the established manner and applicants shall be governed by the rules established by the said committee and they shall make up in their aggregate the accreditation system.

The accreditation system shall also incorporate an interdepartmental commission for the accreditation of organisations pursuing the activity of assessing the compliance of products, manufacturing processes and services with established quality and safety standards (hereinafter referred to as "the inter-departmental commission").

**4.** The State Committee for Standards and Metrology of the Russian Federation shall:

- 1) co-ordinate accreditation works;
- 2) supervise the observance of Russian law where accreditation works are performed;
- 3) keep a state register of accredited organisations and issue certificates of accreditation of the established form;
- 4) verify the activities of accredited organisations and take part in such verification conducted by the accreditation bodies;
- 5) arrange for the training and certification of accreditation experts;
- 6) elaborate proposals for improving the accreditation system;
- 7) adopt within its competence regulatory acts to govern accreditation works;
- 8) ensure the inter-departmental commission's operation;
- 9) perform the functions specified in Item 5 of the present Regulations.

**5.** The accreditation bodies, acting within their competence, shall:

- 1) arrange for the conduct of expert examination of the documents filed by applicants;
- 2) arrange for the conduct of accreditation works and elaborate proposals for the issuance of certificates of accreditation;
- 3) carry out inspection of the activities of accredited organisations within the framework of the work of confirmation of conformity of products, production processes and services with quality and safety standards;
- 4) prepare proposals for improving the accreditation system to be considered by the inter-departmental commission;
- 5) take part in the preparation and certification of accreditation experts.

**6.** The inter-departmental commission shall be formed for the purposes of pursuing a uniform policy in the field of accreditation and it shall be a collective body responsible for co-ordinating the activities of the accreditation bodies, product and service manufacturers' and consumers' associations and other organisations in the said field.

**7.** Accreditation experts shall:

- 1) take part in the examination of material filed by applicants and in the preparation of draft statements relating thereto;
- 2) take part in field inspections of applicants;
- 3) take part in the verification of accredited organisations' activities pursued under [Subitem 3 Item 5](#) of the present Regulations.

**8.** The applicant shall file an accreditation application with the accreditation body as accompanied with the documents and materials the list and contents of which are determined by that body.

The accreditation application consideration procedure shall be established by the accreditation body.

The decision as to the accreditation of an applicant shall be made within three months after the date when the application is received by the accreditation body.

**9.** The certificate of accreditation shall be issued for a term of up to five years. The term may be terminated before its expiry date on the application of the accredited organisation or in the case specified in [Item 15](#) of the present Regulations.

**10.** The certificate of accreditation shall come into effect as of the date of its registration in the state register of accredited organisations.

**11.** The recognition of a foreign organisation's accreditation shall be effected in compliance with the procedure established by the accreditation body.

**12.** Payment of accreditation work shall be made by the applicant in compliance with the procedure established by the State Committee for Standards and Metrology of the Russian Federation in agreement with other accreditation bodies and the Ministry of Finance of the Russian Federation.

**13.** Information on accredited organisations, accreditation experts and other information on the accreditation system shall be deemed a federal information resource.

The accreditation bodies shall provide all access to information on accredited organisations, accreditation experts and accreditation rules to all persons concerned.

**14.** The State Committee for Standards and Metrology of the Russian Federation shall establish procedures for the consideration of complaints, appeals and disputes that might occur in cases of accreditation.

**15.** If an accredited organisation has repeatedly or bluntly violated the accreditation terms and conditions, the certificate of accreditation may be suspended or terminated in the established manner.

The accreditation body's decision to terminate a certificate of accreditation shall be deemed grounds for deleting the organisation from the state register of accredited organisations.