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NATIONAL AEROSPACE AND DEFENSE CONTRACTORS ACCREDITATION PROGRAM (NADCAP)

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

1.	Scope
1.1	This standard describes the National Aerospace and Defense Contractors Accreditation Program (NADCAP) to accredit the capability of suppliers furnishing processes, products, and services for the aerospace and defense industries as provided for in specific programs.
2.	References
2.1	Applicable Documents
2.1.1	SAE Publications
	Available from SAE, 400 Commonwealth Drive, Warrendale, PA 15096-0001.
	AS7002 - National Aerospace and Defense Contractors Accreditation Program (NADCAP) - Rules for Implementation
	AS7003 - National Aerospace and Defense Contractors Accreditation Program (NADCAP) - Program Operation
2.1.2	ANSI Publications
	Available from American National Standards Institute, 1430 Broadway, New York, NY 10018.
	Z34.1 - Third Party Certification Program
2.2	Related Publications
2.2.1	Military Publications
	Available from Naval Publications and Forms Center, Attn: NPODS, 5801 Tabor Avenue, Philadelphia, PA 19120-5099.

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2.2.1.1 Federal Standards

FED-STD-368 - Quality Control System Requirements

2.2.1.2 Military Standards

MIL-STD-1535 - Supplier Quality Assurance Program Requirements

2.2.1.3 Military Specifications

MIL-Q-9858 - Quality Program Requirements MIL-I-45208 - Inspection System Requirements

2.2.2 ISO Publications

Available from American National Standards Institute, 1430 Broadway, New York, NY 10018.

ISO 9000 - Quality management and quality assurance standards - Guidelines for selection and use

ISO 9001 - Quality systems - Model for quality assurance in design/development, production, installation and servicing

ISO 9002 - Quality systems - Model for quality assurance in production and installation

ISO 9003 - Quality systems - Model for quality assurance in final inspection and test

3. DESCRIPTION

3.1 Design

The National Aerospace and Defense Contractors Accreditation Program (NADCAP) is designed as a nationally recognized, voluntary, consensus, third-party accreditation program to generate lists of organizations capable of supplying processes, products, and services for the aerospace industry. Development of this program has been made possible through the active cooperation and continuing support of the aerospace industry, the U.S. Department of Defense (DoD), the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), the General Services Administration (GSA), the National Aeronautical and Space Administration (NASA), the U.S. Armed Services, other federal departments and agencies, and the Society of Automotive Engineers (SAE).

NADCAP is designed to simplify and consolidate audits and to assess, with appropriate surveillance, the supplier capability to achieve, produce, and maintain NADCAP accreditation requirements.

NADCAP provides only accreditation and is not involved with consulting services for suppliers, training of supplier personnel, or formal identification of supplier improvement opportunities for specific processes, products or services.

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