



## POLICY ON ACCREDITATION

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### POLICY STATEMENT

ENFSI wishes to promote consistent and reliable scientific evidence through the whole forensic process from the scene of crime to court.

### MEANS

This aim will be achieved by the following means:

- All ENFSI member laboratories should have achieved or should be taking steps towards ISO/IEC 17025 and/or ISO 17020 compliant accreditation for their forensic science activities.
- The ILAC G19 “Modules in a Forensic Science Process” can be used as a guidance to implement both ISO/IEC 17025 and ISO/IEC 17020 in the forensic science process.
- As stated in paragraph 4 of the ENFSI Constitution, an ENFSI member:
  - Shall cover a broad area of forensic expertise, i.e. more than 50% of the forensic fields represented by the ENFSI Expert Working Groups, and
  - Shall have achieved accreditation or documented progress in quality assurance with a clear plan to obtain accreditation within three years.
- The member laboratories should aim to increase their scope of accreditation to cover all fields of expertise represented by the ENFSI Expert Working Groups and performed by the laboratory and take steps for maintaining it. Only fields of expertise where on average at least twelve examinations per year are performed should be considered.
- The scope of accreditation will be monitored through ENFSI surveys.

## AMENDMENTS TO PREVIOUS VERSION

1. Bullet points 1 and 2 have been merged into one, in which wording “laboratories testing activities” is changed into “forensic science activities”.

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