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Institute of Quality Malaysia
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NATIONAL FOREWORD

The adoption of the ISO/IEC Standard as a Malaysian Standard was recommended by the Technical Committee on Conformity Assessment under the authority of the Quality Management and Quality Assurance Industry Standards Committee.

This Malaysian Standard is identical with ISO/IEC 17020:1998, *General criteria for the operation of various types of bodies performing inspection*, published by the International Organization for Standardization (ISO) and the International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC). However, for the purposes of this Malaysian Standard, the following applies:

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