

# Applicant Guide

## Achieving IMAAB Accreditation in accordance with ISO/IEC 17021-1

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### 1. Minimum Eligibility

An applicant certification body is eligible to apply for IMAAB accreditation if it:

- Is a legally registered legal entity.
  - Provides certification services for management systems (e.g., ISO 9001, ISO 14001, etc.).
  - Demonstrates independence and impartiality.
  - Has an implemented and documented management system (ISO 9001 or equivalent).
  - Employs competent personnel (auditors, reviewers, technical managers).
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### 2. Required Documents

The following documents must be submitted with the application:

No.	Document	Required
1	Completed Application Form	Yes
2	Certificate of Legal Registration	Yes
3	Organizational Chart	Yes
4	Management System Manual	Yes
5	Impartiality Policy	Yes
6	Complaints and Appeals Procedure	Yes
7	List of Requested Accreditation Scopes (Standards)	Yes
8	Auditor List with CVs and Evidence of Competence	Yes
9	At least 1 Complete Audit Report (real or simulated)	Yes
10	Other relevant procedures/forms	Upon request

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### 3. Accreditation Process

1. **Optional Pre-Evaluation** (informal consultation)
  2. **Application Submission + Fee Payment**
  3. **Document Review**
  4. **Assessment Audit** (on-site or remote)
  5. **Evaluation Report & Decision**
  6. **Issuance of Accreditation Certificate** (valid for 3 years)
  7. **Annual Surveillance + Reassessment every 3 years**
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### 4. Fees and Charges (indicative)

- Application Review Fee: based on size/scope
- Initial Evaluation Fee: based on size/scope
- Annual Surveillance Fee: based on size/scope

*Details provided in the official "IMAAB Fee Structure" document.*

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### 5. Estimated Timeframe

Stage	Estimated Duration
Application Review	3–5 working days
Document Evaluation	7–10 working days
Assessment Audit	1–3 days
Decision & Certificate Issuance	Within 14 days post-audit

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### 6. How to Apply

Applications may be submitted via:

- **Online application form** at [www.imaab.org/apply](http://www.imaab.org/apply)
  - **Email submission** to [info@imaab.org](mailto:info@imaab.org) (PDF format preferred)
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### 7. Contact for Support

For any questions or clarifications regarding eligibility or documentation, please contact:

✉ [info@imaab.org](mailto:info@imaab.org)

🔗 Additional info: [www.imaab.org/resources](http://www.imaab.org/resources)