



## UNITED STATES ACCREDITATION BOARD

### WORDING OF CERTIFICATES

#### INTRODUCTION

In order to ensure appropriateness of certificate registration the following wording on certificates must be used, typically as a footnote.

“This is an accredited certificate authorised for issue by United States Accreditation Board (USAB) who have assessed XXXX against defined criteria and in cognisance of ISO 17021:2011 ‘Conformity Assessment - Requirements for bodies providing audit and certification of management systems’.

Notes: (i) Conformity Assessment and Conformity Assessment Body are only terms defined within sections 2.1 and 2.4 of ISO 17000:2004 ‘Conformity Assessment – Vocabulary and general principles’.

#### CERTIFICATE INFORMATION

Certificates should, as a minimum include the following information:

- Client name
- Client address
- Scope of client activities
- Assessment standard
- Initial assessment date
- Re-certification date
- Date of certificate
- Expiry date of certificate
- Address of certificate awarding body
- Caveats regarding limitations on validity (e.g. subject to satisfactory implementation and surveillance visits etc)
- Logo of awarding body
- Logo of accreditation body, if applicable
- NACE or standard industrial code for scope of client activities assessed, where deemed applicable

#### LOGO

The USAB logo, as displayed on this page below, may be shown on the certificate in a manner that is the least dominant mark on the certificate and in a style such that it will not cause any reasonable observer to infer or otherwise believe that the certificate is issued directly by USAB.



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