

The goal of accreditation is:

to ensure the uniform technical policy in the sphere of accreditation;

to ensure consumers' confidence in conformity assessment activities regarding the established requirements of quality and safety of products, processes and services;

to lay down the basis for mutual recognition of the results of the accredited bodies activities on the international level;

to eliminate technical barriers to trade.

Accreditation is carried out by the national accreditation body.

Article 5. The main principles of accreditation activity

Accreditation activity is based on the following main principles:

freedom from unjustified influence of any party's interests;

accessibility and impartiality;

transparency;

professional competence of the accreditation personnel;

voluntary character of accreditation;

equal representation of government agencies and public organizations;

National accreditation body is managed by the head, who is appointed and dismissed by the Cabinet of Ministers on the proposal of the head of the specially authorized central body of executive power in the sphere of economy and with the approval of the Accreditation Council.

time personnel that possesses relevant education, technical knowledge and experience. Managers of executive departments are accountable to the head of national accreditation body and report to him. The national accreditation body sets up qualification requirements for its personnel.

Article 7. Accreditation Council

Council is an advisory body of the national accreditation body and consists of 22 members who are:

Chairman of the council and his deputy;

8 members - representatives of central bodies of executive power of Ukraine, who are appointed by the Cabinet of Ministers;

6 members - representatives of accredited conf

making decisions on international agreements for cooperation and mutual recognition of conformity assessment bodies accreditation;

Decisions of the commission for appeals can be appealed in court.

Article 10. Bodies that can be accredited by the national accreditation body

In accordance with this law, conformity assessment bodies of any type of ownership can be accredited, in particular:

testing or calibration laboratories;
bodies dealing with certification of products, processes and services;
bodies dealing with certification of quality systems, environmental management systems;
bodies dealing with certification of personnel;
inspection bodies.

Article 11. Accreditation procedure

Accreditation of conformity assessment bodies is carried out by the national accreditation body in accordance with the procedure, laid down in the legislative acts and normative documents, adopted according to the legislation.

The decisions on the accreditation of conformity assessment bodies are made by the head of the national accreditation body, who signs relevant documents. In the case of positive decision a standard accreditation certificate is issued, which can be valid for up to 5 years, and the right

The national accreditation mark is the property of the national accreditation body and is registered according to the procedure, prescribed by the legislation of Ukraine.

Chapter 3. Financial activity

Article 15. Sources of financing

Sources of financing of accreditation works are:

funds, obtained through the payment of fees for accreditation works;
funds of the state budget of Ukraine;
other funds that are not prohibited by the legislation.

The following is financed through allocated budget funds: scientific research in the sphere of accreditation, development of draft laws, legislative and normative documents, establishing rules and requirements in the sphere of accreditation, participation in the activities of international (regional) organizations as well as relevant scientific, methodological and coordination work.

Central bodies of executive power are principal recipients of the funds, provided through the state budget of Ukraine.

The payment of fees for accreditation works and inspection is established in accordance with the rules of calculation of costs for accreditation works, approved by the Cabinet of Ministers.

Expenses incurred by the accreditation works are included into gross expenses.

National accreditation body informs the public about the amount of fees for services in the sphere of accreditation.

Chapter 4. International cooperation

Article 16. International agreements

If international agreements of Ukraine contain other provisions than those contained in this law, the provisions of the international agreements are applied.

Chapter 5. Final provisions

This law becomes effective on the 1st of January 2001.

The Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine shall within a three month period after this law has become effective:

submit to the parliament of Ukraine propositions on bringing Ukrainian laws into correspondence with this law;

ensure the bringing its legislative acts, legislative acts of ministries and other central bodies of executive power into correspondence with this law;

Laws and other legislative acts, adopted before this law has become effective, are valid in the part, which does not contradict this law.

Before the national accreditation body is set up, its functions are exercised by the State