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PROCEDURE FOR ADMINISTRATION OF THE EFNDT MULTILATERAL MUTUAL RECOGNITION AGREEMENT (MRA)

BACKGROUND

At a meeting convened during the 6th European Conference on NDT held in Nice, France, during 1994, the representatives of member bodies of the then European Council for Non-Destructive Testing (ECNDT) signed a declaration of intent to establish Multilateral Agreement (MRA) for recognition of certification within the whole of Europe.

The work of developing the MRA was entrusted to a Working Group on EU/EFTA matters. This group was subsequently renamed the Working Group on Qualification and Certification (WGC), and finally became EFNDT Working Group 1. In 2005, the responsibility for administration of the MRA was ceded to the EFNDT Certification Executive Committee.

Registration

Registration under the Agreement is open to NDT Personnel Qualification and Certification schemes which are nominated by national NDT Societies in current membership of the European Federation for NDT, and which satisfy other conditions as set out in the Agreement, as amended from time to time.

The registration of a new certification body is ratified by the EFNDT Certification Executive Committee. Detailed instructions for completion and submission of an application for registration are provided in the current edition of the MRA, which is published at www.efndt.org

MRA application review process/record

Name of applicant Certification Body:	
Nominating EFNDT member body:	
Date of receipt of application:	
Name of accrediting body or government agency:	
Date of accreditation:	
Scope of accreditation:	
Date of expiry of accreditation:	
Date of submission to CEC:	
CEC decision:	
Certificate of registration issued:	
Schedule 2 updated	
EFNDT website updated	

Compliance with MRA requirements

MRA requirement	Remarks	Conformance
English translations	of documents accompanying the application	
5.1.1.1 or 5.1.1.2	Nominated by EFNDT or ICNDT member	
5.1.2	Accredited by a government agency, or private accreditation body that is signatory to EA MLA for personnel	
5.2.1.1	Letter of nomination from the national NDT Society (Society must be EFNDT member)	
5.2.1.2	Schedule detailing conformance with the applicable standards detailed under 5.1.1.3	
5.2.1.3	conformance with ISO/IEC 17024, EN 473 and/or ISO 9712	