



# **technical advisory notice**

**for RABQSA certified personnel**

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## **RABQSA REVISES COMPETENCY-BASED CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS FOR PROVISIONAL AUDITOR AND AUDITOR GRADES**

RABQSA today has announced changes to the requirements for obtaining and maintaining RABQSA certification as a Provisional Auditor and Auditor in the Competency-based schemes for Quality, Environmental, Food Safety and Occupational Health and Safety.

Beginning 1 January 2008:

- Due to recent revision to RABQSA Skill Examination procedures, specific to the management of conflict of interest, persons applying for RABQSA certification to the Auditor grade will no longer be restricted in their choice of Skill Examiner, including the engagement of a Skill Examiner from within the same organisation or employment relationship, provided such engagements adhere to RABQSA's requirements for conduct of such examinations.
- Provisional Auditors will no longer be required to undergo Surveillance to maintain certification. To maintain certification, Provisional Auditors will be required to submit their annual renewals, and every four years submit a signed Code of Conduct.

The Certification Requirements for each of these schemes have been revised to reflect the above changes. The Certification Requirements are available for download from our web site [www.rabqsa.com](http://www.rabqsa.com).

For further information relating to the above revisions or related certification requirements specific to RABQSA's Competency-based schemes, please contact your regional RABQSA Office, or email to [info@rabqsa.com](mailto:info@rabqsa.com).