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1.3.1 General

1.3.1.1 CABs accredited by MAURITAS are strongly encouraged to use the MAURITAS accreditation symbol. Accredited CABs are also encouraged to use the MAURITAS accreditation symbol together with either the ILAC MRA Mark or IAF MLA Mark (hereinafter referred to as Combined Mark) for the scopes for which MAURITAS is signatory to the Multilateral Recognition Arrangement (MRA) administered by the Global Accreditation Cooperation Incorporated (Global ACI).

1.3.1.2 The Global ACI shall continue to recognise the validity of IAF and ILAC accreditations, as well as the use of the IAF MLA Mark and the ILAC MRA Mark, as equivalent to Global ACI's MRA Mark, in line with published transition procedures, including Global ACI MRA-006. Accordingly, MAURITAS shall continue to implement the requirements relating to the use of the ILAC MRA Mark and IAF MLA Mark in accordance with applicable Global ACI transition arrangements until such time as the Global ACI MRA Mark becomes legally available for use by MAURITAS in its economy.

1.3.1.3 MAURITAS ensures that its accreditation symbol is legally protected and used in a proper way by its accredited CABs.

1.3.1.4 Both the MAURITAS accreditation symbol and its corporate logo are registered for copyright protection with the Industrial Property Office, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Regional Integration and International Trade. The registration number of the MAURITAS accreditation symbol's certificate and its expiry is **32932/2022** and **14 July 2032** respectively while the corporate logo certificate of MAURITAS bearing the registration number **02821/2006** expires on **18 November 2035**.

1.3.1.5 It is the policy of MAURITAS with respect to the use of MAURITAS accreditation symbol/combined mark(s) and claims of accreditation status to:

- specify the requirements for the use and monitoring of the accreditation symbol/combined mark in combination with the CAB mark,
- ensure that the accreditation symbol/combined mark is not affixed on its own or used to imply that a product, process or service (or any part of it) has been certified or approved by MAURITAS,
- specify the requirements for reproduction of the accreditation symbol/combined mark,
- specify requirements for any reference to accreditation,
- specify the requirements for the use of the accreditation symbol/combined mark and claims of accreditation status in communication media,
- ensure that the CAB only uses the accreditation symbol/combined mark and claims of accreditation status for the specific activities covered by the scope of accreditation and signatory status of MAURITAS,

1.3.1.6 The rules governing the use of the accreditation symbol and accredited combined ILAC MRA and IAF MLA Marks by the accredited CABs are included in **MAURITAS R4** and are also based on the requirements included in Global ACI MRA-006, ILAC P8, ILAC R7 and IAF ML2.

1.3.1.7 Where applicable, these conditions shall be met by all MAURITAS accredited CABs, including those outside Mauritius. MAURITAS will allow the use of the Combined Marks only in economies where the ILAC MRA Mark and/or IAF MLA Mark is registered or where an application for registration has been lodged and registration is pending.

Certification Bodies shall take all steps to ensure compliance with these conditions by their client of accredited certification.

MAURITAS accredited laboratories shall not authorise the use of the symbols by their clients, subcontractors or any other third party.

1.3.2 Cross References

1.3.2.1 R4, Global ACI MRA-006, ILAC P8, ILAC R7, IAF ML2

Appendix A: Amendment Table

SN	Section	Amendment
Issue 1, Rev 5		
1.	1.3.1.3	(i) The registration number has been updated to “02821/2006” and new expiry date at “18 November 2035”
Issue 2, Rev 5		
1.	1.3.1.1	(i) At the end of the paragraph, “ILAC MRA and IAF MLA” has been replaced by “the Multilateral Recognition Arrangement ... (Global ACI).”
2.	1.3.1.2	(ii) A new paragraph has been added “The Global ACI shall continue to recognise the validity... legally available for use by MAURITAS in its economy.”
3.	1.3.1.3	(i) Previous sub-section 1.3.1.2 is now 1.3.1.3. (ii) “We” has been replaced by “MAURITAS” and “our” by “its”
4.	1.3.1.6	(i) Previously sub-section 1.3.1.5, now 1.3.1.6. (ii) At line 3, reference to “Global ACI MRA-006” has been added
5.	1.3.2.1	(i) Reference to “Global ACI MRA-006” has been added