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Equipment Scheme, IECEx 02**



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INTRODUCTION

This document provides guidance on the process for applicants seeking IECEx certification of Ex products. It shows the steps and processes required for manufacturers to gain IECEx CoC (Certificate of Conformity) or IECEx Unit Verification Certificate.

NOTE The details of the process are given on other IECEx documents. These will be referred to in the text.

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1 Overview

IECEX Certificate of Conformity (CoC)

This guide has been prepared to assist manufacturers understand that while technically rigorous, the process of achieving an IECEX Certificate of Conformity is rather straightforward.

Gaining an IECEX Certificate of Conformity for a product provides a manufacturer with an International Statement that:

- the product shown on the certificate is manufactured to meet the listed International IEC Standard; and
- the manufacturer is operating a dedicated quality management system, meeting the specific IECEX requirements; and
- the manufacturer is under on-going surveillance by an Internationally assessed and recognised IECEX Certification Body.

As proof of this achievement the International IECEX Certificate of Conformity is on FULL public display via the IECEX website <http://www.iecex.com>.

IECEX Unit Verification Certificate

In addition to an IECEX Certificate of Conformity (CoC), an IECEX Unit Verification Certificate covers a defined number of products/items that are produced under a single production run.

The principles of an IECEX Unit Verification Certificate:

- An IECEX Certificate covering Unit Verification can be issued for a Defined number of items under a single production run. IECEX Unit Verification Certificates do not cover “future” production runs
- No limit to the number of Units permitted to be covered, BUT all serial numbers or other individual identifications SHALL be listed or referenced on page 1 of the IECEX Certificate
- New issues of Issued Unit Verification CoC’s are NOT permitted
- Unit verification may cover repaired items but does not address the repair process

For further information concerning IECEX Unit Verification Certification please refer to IECEX Operational Document OD 033.

1.1 Who do you apply to?

Applications for an IECEX Certificate of Conformity or IECEX Unit Verification Certificate, under the IECEX Certified Equipment Scheme, are lodged directly with IECEX Certification Bodies (ExCBs) whom themselves have successfully undertaken the IECEX Peer Assessment program.

A full and up to date listing of ExCBs approved to operate under the IECEX Certified Equipment Scheme is maintained on the IECEX website <http://www.iecex.com>.

The screenshot shows the IECEX website interface. The top navigation bar includes 'Information', 'Publications', and 'Members' Area'. A dropdown menu is open under 'Information', with 'ExCBs' highlighted. A sub-menu is visible under 'ExCBs', showing 'Equipment' and 'Service Facilities'. Below the navigation, the page title is 'Approved IECEX Certification Bodies (ExCBs) Certified Equipment Programme'. A paragraph of text explains the assessment process. Below the text is a table listing approved certification bodies across various countries.

Country	Approved IECEX Certification Bodies (ExCBs)
AU	ITACS, SMITARS, IntSafe
CA	CSA, QPS
CN	CGM
CZ	ETZU
DE	EVAM, EICM, ETR, TÜV NORD, TÜV Rheinland, TÜV SÜD
DK	ULDEMCO
FI	VTT
FR	NEBS, LCE
GB	BASEEFA, FALUS, ITS, SIBA
HU	BKI
IT	CESEI
KR	KOS, KOSHSA
NI	HEMA
NO	DNV, NEMKO
RU	NAHO, COVE
SN	TÜV SÜD, PSB
SI	SIG
SE	SP
US	EM, UL

1.2 Preparing an application

The manufacturer must be able to satisfy the following general requirements. When the manufacturer is confident that the requirements have been met, then application can be made for certification. In readiness for the application, a manufacturer may decide to apply for a “pre-assessment” review with an IECEX Certification Body, prior to the formal application being lodged.

In preparing an application to be submitted to an ExCB, the manufacturer needs to be confident that the following is in place:

- Confidence that the product design will meet the specified IEC Ex Standard
- Development of QA system covering manufacture of the product according to ISO 9001 and ISO/IEC 80079-34 (previously IECEX Operational Document OD 005). Not required for applications involving IECEX Unit Verification Certificates, see IECEX Operational Document OD 033
- Product documentation that meets IECEX Operational Document OD 017 requirements
- The relevant application form from the ExCB duly completed

1.3 Making the application

The application for IECEX certification begins with contacting the ExCB, as required by the IECEX Rules, IECEX 02. A special form may not necessary, but the following information will generally be required by the ExCB:

- Letter requesting IECEX Certificate of Conformity or Ex Test Report (ExTR)
- Exact details of the product and its manufacturing location(s)
- Whether the manufacturer has an established quality management system
- List of design standards

The ExCB will estimate the time and cost to complete the certification project.

Refer to the flowchart in this document. It covers the process from the manufacturer's viewpoint, and shows the typical activities needed to obtain a Certificate of Conformity.

2 Manufacturing Quality Management System (QMS)

The IECEX QMS requirements are modelled on the International Standard ISO 9001, with additional QMS requirements detailed in Item 3 below. This standard needs to be met by a manufacturer applying for IECEX certification of a product. While IECEX does NOT require that a manufacturer separately holds ISO 9001 Certification, this may be beneficial as a culture of QA compliance may exist throughout the manufacturing organisation.

Where ISO 9001 certification is held, some of the ExCBs also hold national accreditation to issue ISO 9001 Certification. This may be more convenient for the manufacturer because all certification work is done by one Certifying Body.

Where ISO 9001 Certification is not held, the ExCB will assess compliance to ISO 9001 as part of their assessment to ISO/IEC 80079-34 (previously IECEX OD 005).

NOTE The QMS needs to be maintained and audited at regular intervals. See Operational Document OD 025.

3 ISO/IEC 80079-34 + IECEX OD 005 Additional requirements to ISO 9001

With introduction of ISO/IEC 80079-34, in April 2011, previous requirements of IECEX Operational Document OD 005 are being replaced with this new Standard. There is a period of time where either ISO/IEC 80079-34 or OD 005 may be used as part of a transition phase to withdraw OD 005. Consult any of the IECEX Approved ExCBs to determine current status at time of application.

The requirements of ISO 9001 are generic in nature and apply to any organisation whether manufacturer or service provider. In the IECEX system, there are additional requirements for the QMS (see ISO/IEC 80079-34 and OD 005). The extra requirements are due to the need to carefully control traceability of material and to ensure that the competence of personnel working on Ex production can be proven.

The additional requirements are intended to ensure that no part of the manufacturing process can lead to a situation where certification is compromised.

For ease of use, ISO/IEC 80079-34 and OD 005 have been written using the same Clause numbering and headings as the generic ISO 9001 Standard, thereby making it easy to clearly identify the additional and more specific QMS requirements for Ex manufacturing. Annex A of both ISO/IEC 80079-34 and OD 005 providing assistance regarding critical areas of the QMS in relation to the various Ex Types of Protection.

NOTE All QMS requirements (ISO 9001, ISO/IEC 80079-34, OD 005) are focussed on assuring that the product is always produced to certification. The QMS system is expected to prevent any deviations in the process which may affect certification of the product.

Evaluation and assessment of a manufacturer's quality management system to ISO 9001, ISO/IEC 80079-34 or OD 005 is NOT required for where manufacturers make application for an IECEX Unit Verification Certificate, as IECEX Unit Verification Certificates covers the specific items assessed by the ExTL and ExCB and are identified on the IECEX Unit Verification Certificate by serial number or other unique identifier. Refer to IECEX OD 033 for further details. Likewise a manufacturer is not required to hold ISO 9001 certification.

4 Product documentation

To obtain IECEX certification, the documentation supporting the product must be submitted for review. Product documentation requirements are given in IECEX Operational Document OD 017. Documentation to be provided by the manufacturer covers the life cycle of the product (installation and use instructions, service information, overhaul and repair data and test data for some items).

The manufacturer is responsible for providing the documentation only. The user of a product is responsible for following the manufacturer's instructions and for maintaining the product in compliance with Standards and manufacturer's instructions.

5 Product type testing

Type testing of sample(s) representative of production is conducted by IECEX approved Testing Laboratories (ExTLs), operating under the control of ExCBs. The manufacturer arranges for the product to be tested to the applicable IEC standard by first contacting the ExCB to whom application is made. The ExCB passes the project to the chosen ExTL with any necessary instruction for testing. Refer to the list of approved ExCBs located on the IECEX website <http://www.iecex.com>.

A product may be covered by one or more IEC Standards. The ExCB will determine the correct standard(s) which apply to a product and will suggest a suitable ExTL (IECEX test laboratory).

NOTE IECEX Operational document OD 009 covers this process.

5.1 ExCB and ExTL

ExCBs have a number of associated ExTL Both the ExCB and ExTL must be assessed by the IECEX to operate in the IECEX System.

The Scope of the ExTL must include all standards (including editions) required for certification.

When testing is complete, an ExTR (IECEX Test Report) will be prepared. This is a test report covering the product. OD 009 describes the process of issuing and approving ExTRs.

5.2 Test process

Samples must be prepared by the manufacturer in consultation with the ExTL. These samples may include special modifications to enable tests to be completed.

The ExTL will specify any special requirements for samples.

Testing can take some time and, in some cases, may involve interpretation of a particular clause in a standard. This is why the ExCB remains involved in the test process throughout testing.

NOTE Some materials require conditioning prior to test, early consultation with the ExCB and ExTL is helpful.

5.3 ExCB Scope

The ExCB can only certify product covered in their IECEX Scope of Acceptance. The Scope is a list of standards where both the certifying body and at least one associated test laboratory have been assessed as having the competence and correct equipment to test and certify to that standard. In some cases an extension of scope can be made.

Scope includes the standard itself and the edition of the standard.

6 Application to IECEX for certification

Refer to the following Flowchart and Tables of explanatory notes.

Guide to applicants of IECEx product certification

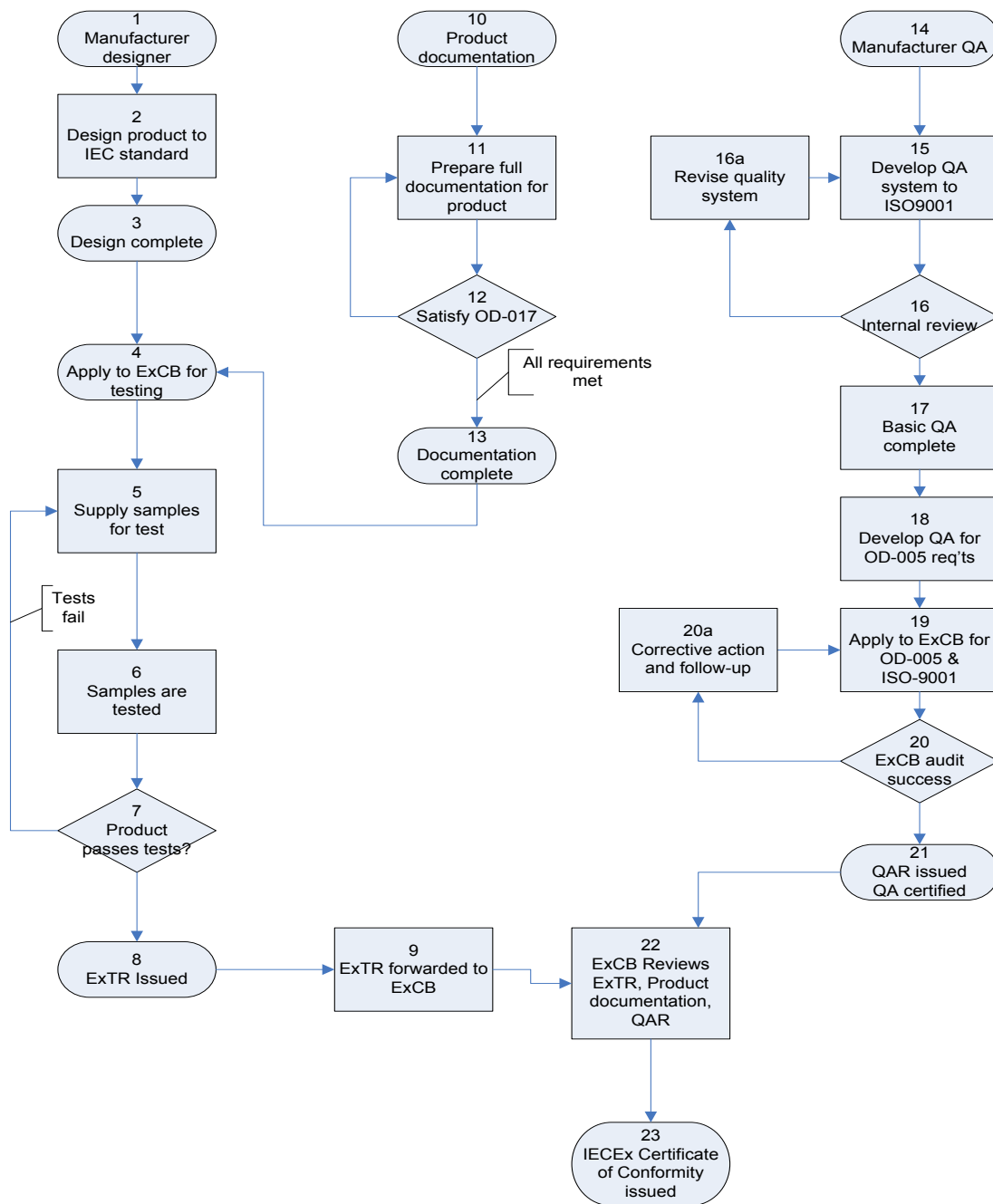


TABLE 1
General guide to steps to obtain IECEx Product Certification

Step	Manufacturer's activities for obtaining an IECEx Certificate of Conformity	Related documents	By whom	Applicable to IECEx Unit Verification	Notes/Comments
1	The design project is started.	Manufacturer's design control procedure.	Manufacturer	Yes	Manufacturer set the goals for the design.
2	Design standards are decided. This step will influence design due to need consider testing and what standards will be referenced on IECEx certificate of Conformity.	IEC or ISO Standards Legislation in target markets	Manufacturer	Yes However Unit verification Certificates may be issued to ANY edition of an IEC or ISO Standard.	New IECEx CoCs are issued according to the latest edition of Standards or 1 edition prior.
3	Design complete		Manufacturer	Yes	Design review and validation should be clearly documented for review by certification team.
4	Apply to ExCB for testing. The ExCB has associated ExTL (test laboratories). The ExCB will suggest an ExTL. ExTL agreed between manufacturer and ExCB.	IECEX 02 IECEX OD 033 for Unit Verification Certificate	Manufacturer	Yes	
5	Supply Test Samples.		ExCB and ExTL	Yes Noting that the actual items tested/assessed are those covered by Certification.	Samples may need special preparation for testing. Discussions with the ExCB will resolve test and certification issues.
6	Testing	IECEX 02 IECEX OD 010	ExTL	Yes Additional requirements of IECEx OD 033 apply.	The ExTL should check the list of ExTAG Decision Sheets to see if there are any that relate to the product under test.
7	Product passes test.		ExTL	Yes	Certification data and supporting documents must be available for ExCB prior to issue of certificate.

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8	IECEX Test Report (ExTR) is prepared using the appropriate blank report form. An ExTR shall also be compiled when utilising previously obtained test data.	See IECEx website http://www.iecex.com	ExTL	Yes	ExTL may transfer information from previous reports if required.
9	ExTR to be reviewed by the ExCB prior to being issued by the ExCB. The endorsement of this ExTR is shown by the ExCB issuing an ExTR Cover Sheet or their own cover page but shall not use the word CERTIFICATE anywhere on the document, as this may give the impression that the endorsement page is a certificate thereby detracting from the real IECEx Certificate of Conformity.		ExCB	Yes	When ExCBs and ExTLs are within the one organisation, the ExTR review shall be conducted by a staff member not involved or responsible for the tests/assessments.
10 to 13	Product documentation. The document package can be prepared in parallel with the design activity. Documentation must be reviewed in order to issue a Certificate of Conformity.	IECEX OD 017	Manufacturer	Yes	The manufacturer should discuss the product documentation requirements with the ExCB as early as possible.
14	Preparation for the IECEx Quality Assessment The work on quality assurance can be done in parallel with the design and product documentation work.	ISO 9001 ISO/IEC 80079-34 or IECEX OD 005 IECEX OD 033 for Unit Verification Certification	Manufacturer	No QA Assessment does not apply – refer to IECEx OD 033.	

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15 to 18	<p>QA system development</p> <p>The QA system requires ISO 9001, plus the additional requirements of the IECEx System (OD 005).</p> <p>Relevant manufacturer's quality system documentation is to be reviewed to verify that documentation complies with the requirements of IECEx OD 005 and ISO 9001.</p>	<p>ISO 9001</p> <p>ISO/IEC 80079-34 or</p> <p>IECEX OD 005</p> <p>IECEX OD 025</p>	<p>ExCB or by another ExCB working under direction by the ExCB to which the original application was made, for manufacturers located in different countries</p>	No	<p>OD 025 includes a checklist of OD 005 documentation requirements.</p>
19 to 20	<p>Application for QA assessment of the manufacturer</p> <p>An application from the manufacturer to the ExCB will result in an audit being scheduled, and the findings collated as a QAR.</p> <p>The ExCB conducts the on-site audit.</p>	<p>ISO/IEC 80079-34 or</p> <p>IECEX OD 005</p> <p>IECEX OD 025</p>	<p>See above.</p>	No	<p>Where the Ex product is manufactured in different locations, especially different countries each location shall be audited, prior to the issuing of the IECEx Certificate of Conformity.</p>
21	<p>To issue a Quality Assessment Report (QAR) the following are required:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Auditor's assessment/audit report of the manufacturer's quality system, including site audit. • Endorsement by the ExCB to whom the original application was made, once any outstanding matters are dealt with. 	<p>ISO/IEC 80079-34 or</p> <p>IECEX OD 005</p> <p>IECEX OD 025</p>	<p>IECEX auditing body</p> <p>ExCB conducting the audit/assessment</p>	No	<p>Generally the ExCB to whom the application has been made will audit and endorse the QAR.</p>

TABLE 1 General guide to steps to obtain IECEX Product Certification					
Step	Manufacturer's activities for obtaining an IECEX Certificate of Conformity	Related documents	By whom	Applicable to IECEX Unit Verification	Notes/Comments
22	<p>The ExCB to which the application for an IECEX CoC will need to review the following for the certificate to be issued:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Manufacturer complies with IECEX rules and procedures • Manufacturer's quality system complies with OD 005 • ExCBs own quality management system requirements are met and ExTR and QAR relate to the same product(s) • Audit NCRs are closed so that the QAR can be issued • The ExTR clearly shows that the products covered by the ExTR(s), comply with standards listed on the application. • The documentation package complies with OD 017. This ensures that service to the product has sufficient information to keep the product within certification limits. • Manufacturer has signed an agreement with the ExCB to maintain the QA system through surveillance audits 	<p>IECEX 02 ISO/IEC 80079-34 or IECEX OD 005 IECEX OD 025 IECEX OD 017 ExCB's own quality management system</p>	<p>Final decision being taken by the ExCB to which the original application has been made</p>	<p>Yes However there is no QAR applicable for Unit Verification Certification.</p>	<p>The review should also ensure that the principles and guidelines of OD 025 have been followed.</p>
23	<p>IECEX Certificate of Conformity shall be compiled using the IECEX "on-line" system via the password protected system.</p> <p>Certificate is issued via the IECEX "on-line" registration system with the applicant being informed in writing by the ExCB, via letter, fax or E-mail.</p>	<p>Refer to IECEX website http://www.iecex.com</p>	<p>ExCB personnel authorized to issue IECEX Certificates of Conformity (must be ExCB who received the original application)</p>	<p>Yes However, the On-Line certificate system provides for the entering of product serial numbers to identify the actual items covered. Refer to IECEX OD 033.</p>	<p>Contact the IECEX Secretariat for any questions or concerns.</p>

Guide to IECEx Unit Verification Certification

Table 2 below provides specific steps to obtain IECEx Unit Verification Certification to cover “one off” or limited numbered items.

TABLE 2				
Specific steps to obtain IECEx Unit Verification Certification, according to IECEx OD 033				
Step	Procedures for the issuing of an IECEx Unit Verification Certificate of Conformity - Description of activity	Related documents	By whom	Notes/Comments
1	Ex Manufacturer receives a contract to design and build a “one-off” or limited quantity/batch, usually for a special purpose or application. Standards for design should be specified in the original contract.	IEC Standards National codes for electrical and mechanical safety	The Applicant (or agent)	
2	The design is approved by the Ex Manufacturer. The end user may review and approve the design before applying for IECEx certification.	All design documents	The Applicant (and their customer)	
3	Product design documents are defined as a “package”.	Design	The Applicant	
4	Documentation covering the design is prepared.	Design	The Applicant	
5	Ex Manufacturer reviews documents to requirements of IECEx OD 017.	OD 017	The Applicant	
6	Documentation package has been reviewed by the Applicant as being complete and now prepared for submission with the application to an ExCB.		The Applicant	The Manufacturer should contact the ExCB once documentation is complete.
7	Application is submitted to an ExCB. Where the Ex Manufacturer is located in a non-IECEx participating country, the ExCB shall in conjunction with the ExMC Secretary, arrange for payment to the IECEx account of the surcharge, in accordance with OD 019.	IECEx 02 OD 019 (finance)	The Applicant	Applications for an IECEx Unit Verification Certificate of Conformity will verify compliance with the requirements of the IECEx Scheme and relevant Operational Documents, e.g. OD 009 for the purposes of generating an ExTR.

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Step	Procedures for the issuing of an IECEX Unit Verification Certificate of Conformity - Description of activity	Related documents	By whom	Notes/Comments
8	<p>Contract review is conducted by the ExCB receiving the application, in accordance with the ExCB's own Quality System and as required by ISO/IEC Guide 65. Contract review shall include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A review to ensure that the application is within the scope of acceptance of the ExCB, eg protection techniques • The application package is complete • Whether a surcharge applies for applicants or Manufacturers from non IECEX member countries • Estimated time and costs to complete project • Determination of any special requirements • Agreement on method and system of payment by applicant <p>ExCB shall only proceed where the contract review has been successfully completed.</p> <p>Change of ExCB's may be required if the equipment to be certified is not covered by the ExCB scope of operation.</p>	<p>ExCBs own Certification procedures as included in their Quality System and ISO/IEC Guide 65</p>	<p>ExCB</p>	<p>The results of the contract review shall be documented and recorded.</p> <p>Annex A can be used as a summary of the documents supplied.</p>
9	<p>The product (unit) is prepared for testing.</p> <p>The ExCB and their associated ExTL will prepare a Test Plan as required.</p> <p>NOTE The Test Plan is a controlled document.</p> <p>Any Plastic components are thermally conditioned before testing, as required by the Standard.</p> <p>Test samples of critical items are submitted for destructive test.</p> <p>Some components which are not certified may need testing.</p>	<p>Test Plan</p>	<p>ExCB ExTL conducts the testing.</p>	<p>A Test Plan may not always be required. Testing may follow the headings given in the ExTR (test report form).</p> <p>Where destructive testing is required additional samples or materials, representative of the completed item(s), may be required to prevent destruction to the completed item(s).</p>

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10	<p>The product is tested according to the Test Plan.</p> <p>Testing is be carried out by the ExTL associated with the ExCB.</p> <p>The Test Plan ensures that all tests are agreed and cover all certification issues. A record of all tests performed is kept in the Test Log.</p> <p>The tests performed are listed with pass/fail criteria and have provision for comments on the report.</p>	<p>Test Plan</p> <p>Test Log</p> <p>ExTR</p>	ExTL	
11	<p>The ExTR shall be prepared by the ExTL, using the standard IECEx ExTR blank templates.</p> <p>The ExTR is then reviewed by the ExCB for endorsement.</p> <p>Where the product fails tests listed in the Test Plan, the Ex Applicant/Manufacturer will be notified so that the product may be modified to pass the test which failed.</p> <p>For re-tested items, please refer to step 9 in this table. Failed tests which require correction or further action must be re-tested in full, to obtain a “pass” result in the ExTR.</p>	<p>Test Plan</p> <p>ExTR</p>	ExCB monitors all testing.	Standard ExTR blank templates are available from the IECEx website.
12	A draft of the ExTR maybe issued to the Applicant/Manufacturer for their review prior to being formally issued.	Draft ExTR		
13	<p>Upon review and endorsement by the ExCB the ExTR is issued.</p> <p>The ExCB endorsing the ExTR shall “Register” the ExTR on the IECEx “On-Line” Certificate of Conformity System.</p>	ExTR	<p>ExTL issues report</p> <p>ExCB registers the test report “on-line”.</p>	Guidance given in OD 011 Part 2

TABLE 2 Specific steps to obtain IECEX Unit Verification Certification, according to IECEX OD 033				
Step	Procedures for the issuing of an IECEX Unit Verification Certificate of Conformity - Description of activity	Related documents	By whom	Notes/Comments
14	<p>The draft IECEX Unit Verification Certificate is prepared and may be issued as a draft to the applicant for a review for any errors.</p> <p>All test documents, design data and design drawings are filed.</p> <p>Once satisfied that the test data and the supporting documentation are adequate the Certificate shall be issued, by the ExCB with the original sent to the Applicant and a copy retained on the ExCB file.</p>	IECEX Unit Verification Certificate	ExCB certification panel reviews the draft certificate.	<p>ExCB shall be assigned a unique password to allow entry of the ExTR and certificate details. The data is entered "On-Line".</p> <p>Contact the IECEX Secretariat for any questions or concerns.</p> <p>OD 011 Part 2 provides guidance to ExCBs on the registering of issued ExTR and also the compiling and issuing of On-Line Certificates of Conformity under the IECEX Unit Verification Program.</p>
15	<p>The ExCB to whom the application for an IECEX Unit Verification Certificate was made shall conduct a certification review, in accordance with their quality management system, ensuring among others that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All stages of the certification process have been documented and followed • The ExCB have a signed commitment by the Applicant to abide by the rules of the IECEX Scheme and ExCB's certification conditions • The Applicant is aware of his/her obligations under the IECEX Scheme 	IECEX 02 ExCB's own quality management system	The person authorized to conduct such review within the ExCB to whom the original application was made	Contact the IECEX Secretariat for any questions or concerns.
15a	Where the review undertaken in step 15 is not successful, the ExCB management shall refer the matter to ExCB staff or Applicant personnel as appropriate.		Management of the ExCB to whom the original application was made	Contact the IECEX Secretariat for any questions or concerns.

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Step	Procedures for the issuing of an IECEx Unit Verification Certificate of Conformity - Description of activity	Related documents	By whom	Notes/Comments
16	IECEX Unit Verification Certificate shall be now be completed, taking account of any adjustments arising from the review in step 15 using the IECEx "On-Line" system via the password protected system.	Refer to IECEx website http://www.iecex.com OD 011 Part 2	The person authorized to issue IECEx Certificates of Conformity within the ExCB to whom the original application was made.	Contact the IECEx Secretariat for any questions or concerns.
17	Prior to issue a final draft of the IECEx Unit Verification Certificate is to be reviewed for errors. While the Draft Certificate is created "On-Line" the ExCB may create a protected PDF copy and send this to the Applicant, refer to OD 011 Part 2 for guidance.	Original application form submitted by the Applicant OD 011 Part 2	The person authorized to issue IECEx Certificates of Conformity within the ExCB to whom the original application was made The Applicant	The Electronic version residing on the IECEx "On-Line" System remains the master version. Any printing or copying is considered an "un-controlled" copy. Contact the IECEx Secretariat for any questions or concerns.
18	Certificate is issued via the IECEx "On-Line" registration system with the Applicant being informed in writing by the ExCB, via letter, fax or E-mail.		The person authorized to issue IECEx Unit Verification Certificate within the ExCB to whom the original application was made	Contact the IECEx Secretariat for any questions or concerns.

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