



Heads Up

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To: ANSI-RAB NAP Accredited Registrars and Accreditation Auditors

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Re: Aerospace – No Auditor Training Requirement for SAE AIR5359B

This issue is to clarify what is a misunderstanding by some AS9100 accredited registrars. There is **no requirement for specific auditor training** for SAE AIR5359B.

SAE AIR5359 was revised earlier this year and published in July. It is available for purchase from SAE. This revision is AIR5359:2003, and is also known as Rev B or AIR5359B.

The effective date for conformance by all registrars is 2004/01/01.

Although registrars are not required to provide training to their auditors as part of their implementation of the change, such training, if provided, would count toward the 15 hours on continuing education required for all auditors every three years in order for them to maintain their approval (see Clause 7.3 of AIR5359A or AIR5359B).

Also, for your information, any registrar that purchases through the IAAR the updated BV aerospace auditor training materials will also receive as a bonus a four-hour BV course on the changes from AIR5359A to AIR5339B. This course is worth four hours of continuing education.