



**Subject:** prEN4179:2014

**Background:**

Following the initial harmonisation of prEN4179 and NAS410 in 2003, under the terms of a Memorandum of Understanding between AIA and ASD-STAN, the international harmonisation team have continued to jointly review and update these standards culminating in prEN4179 edition P4 and NAS410 rev 3 in 2008 and most recently, prEN4179 edition P5 and NAS410 rev 4 in 2014. The latter were simultaneously released for publication on 19 December 2014.

As is the way in the EU, a revision to an EN results in its publication by ASD-STAN as a prEN. The process of transference to CEN in order to be published as an EN can vary in time but no change of technical content to the standard is allowed to result from the formal vote process. The onus is on ASD-STAN to move the prEN to CEN however prEN4179 edition P5 can be used.

**Statement**

In order to ensure that the UK remains compliant with the harmonised versions of EN4179 and NAS410, at a meeting of the UK NANDTB on 10 March 2015, it was unanimously agreed that prEN4179 edition P5 December 2014 shall be the recognised standard for Qualification and Approval of NDT personnel applicable within the United Kingdom.

**Action**

The UK NANDTB has agreed a period of six (6) months from 10 March 2015 to make prEN4179 edition P5 effective.

Personnel certified to previous revisions of EN4179 need not recertify to the requirement of prEN4179 edition P5 until their current certification expires.

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Signed for the Board  
Jon Biddulph  
Chairman of the NAndtB