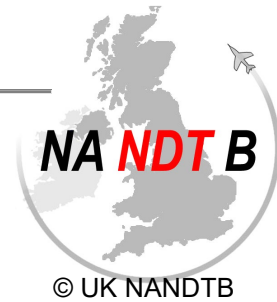


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ETHICAL, SAFETY OR PRODUCT INTEGRITY CONCERNS

Within the course of its operations, there may be instances where the UK NANTB detects or discovers issues/events that raise an ethical, safety, or product integrity concern.

Concerns may also be disclosed either directly to the board secretariat, officers or a member of the board; or via personnel acting on behalf of the board (eg an auditor).

Where the board becomes aware of an ethical, safety or product integrity concern, the board shall:

- Encourage the personnel disclosing concerns to raise these through the appropriate channels: for instance via their employer's policies and procedures for raising concerns. Disclosure by those personnel to other organizations may also be appropriate depending on the circumstances- eg prime customers, regulators, accreditation/training/certification organizations, or professional bodies/NDT societies.
- Where the concern is within the remit of the NANTB: fairly investigate each concern to the extent practicable, to establish whether it is well-founded. The investigation shall not involve personnel with any potential conflict of interest.
- Take appropriate action, where this is within the remit of the NANTB, to address concerns.
- Keep reports of concerns (and the identify of the person making the disclosure) confidential to the extent possible, consistent with the need to investigate the concerns and make any necessary further disclosures.
- Identify relevant external stakeholders and make them aware of credible safety and/or product integrity concerns. This may include (but is not limited to) applicable primes, regulators, industry organizations (eg PRI Nadcap), training/certification organizations, professional bodies/NDT societies.
- Act in accordance with local laws. Operate ethically, using the ethical principles established by the Engineering Council, Royal Academy of Engineering, and British Institute of NDT to guide actions.

Note: Where concerns come to light during an audit, they will be managed per OAQS7 and UK NANDTB/12 which requires the auditor to inform the auditee of findings and observations; the audit closure process; and the need for formal and effective Root Cause Analysis with regard to findings raised. *“Root Cause Analysis should include consideration for any potential safety issues and/or product impact arising from the finding. In addition the auditee should notify the relevant body or Prime Organisation if safety issues or product impact are suspected.”* The NANDTB will have visibility via the audit documentation, including the associated corrective actions taken.

Signed for the Board

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Chairman of the NAndtB

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