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### Policy on Responsible Level 3 Independent Certification

#### 1. Introduction

- 1.1 To ensure integrity and accountability, the Responsible Level 3 shall hold and maintain independent certification. In this context, 'independent' is defined as being wholly external to the Responsible Level 3's employer.

#### 2. Policy

- 2.1 The Responsible Level 3 shall be certified in accordance with EN4179, using an independent BINDT Approved Outside Agency (OA) or independent Approved Qualifying Body (AQB), as appropriate. This may be achieved by:
- EN4179 Level 3 certification.
  - PCN/AERO Level 3 certification.
  - An alternative certification approved by the UK NANDTB.
- 2.2 Where an employer contracts a Level 3 from an OA to act as Responsible Level 3 and the Level 3 is internally certified by the OA, the contracting employer may deem this certification to be independent.
- 2.3 The Responsible Level 3 shall be recertified in accordance with EN4179, using an independent OA or independent AQB, as appropriate. This may be achieved by credit system or examination.

Signed for the Board  
Kevin Pickup  
Chairman of the NAndtB

Changes table:

Issue	Summary of Change	Date
1		
2	Added to 4.3.3 Outside/Inside Agency or AQB (Approved Qualifying Body).	28-05-2015 reviewed 20-06-2017 just BINDT address and contact details updated
3	Substantially revised to remove duplication with EN4179:2021 and confine policy scope to RL3 independent certification.	18-06-2024