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## Foreword

This document (EN 9137:2012) has been prepared by the Aerospace and Defence Industries Association of Europe - Standardization (ASD-STAN).

After enquiries and votes carried out in accordance with the rules of this Association, this Standard has received the approval of the National Associations and the Official Services of the member countries of ASD, prior to its presentation to CEN.

This European Standard shall be given the status of a national standard, either by publication of an identical text or by endorsement, at the latest by August 2012, and conflicting national standards shall be withdrawn at the latest by August 2012.

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Industry has established the International Aerospace Quality Group (IAQG), with representatives from companies in the Americas, Asia/Pacific, and Europe, to implement initiatives that make significant improvements in quality and reductions in cost throughout the value stream.

This standard has been developed under the auspices of the IAQG Defence Relationship Growth Strategy Stream and in collaboration with the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) AC/327, Working Group 2 (WG2) to provide guidance on how the requirements of AQAP 2110 and EN 9100 can be fulfilled by one common Quality Management System. This guidance document has been prepared jointly by the IAQG and NATO, and the content of this standard is identical to AQAP 2009 Annex F from this point onwards.

This is the initial release of this standard. This standard is intended to provide guidance and assist an organization in the use and understanding of the relationship between AQAP 2110 and EN 9100.

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#### 1 Scope

**1.1** This European Standard has been prepared and issued to provide information and guidance on the application of AQAP 2110 when the Supplier adheres to the provisions of EN 9100. This document is published as AQAP 2009 Annex F and EN 9137. It was jointly developed by NATO and industry representatives for use by NATO and industry to facilitate the use and understanding of the relationship between the AQAP 2110 and EN 9100.

**1.2** It aims to contribute to commonality of interpretation of the AQAP 2110 requirements by the Acquirer and their EN 9100 Supplier.

**1.3** Its content has no legal or contractual status nor does it supersede, add to, or cancel any of the AQAP 2110 or EN 9100 requirements.

**1.4** Because of the multiplicity of conditions that can exist (dependent on such factors as the type of work or process, the devices used, and the skill of personnel involved), this guidance should not be considered as all-encompassing nor should it be considered as imposing specific means or methods for meeting contract requirements. Stakeholders should be aware that other means or methods could be used to meet these requirements.

**1.5** Users of this guidance should keep in mind that the requirements of AQAP 2110 are mandatory, as cited in the contract, on Suppliers and Sub-suppliers.

## 2 Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

EN 9100, Quality Management Systems — Requirements for Aviation, Space and Defence Organizations

AQAP 2009 Edition 3, NATO Guidance on the Use of the AQAP 2000 Series

AQAP 2070 Edition 2, NATO Mutual Government Quality Assurance (GQA) Process

AQAP 2110 Edition 3, NATO Quality Assurance Requirements for Design, Development and Production

AQAP 2120 Edition 3, NATO Quality Assurance Requirements for Production

AQAP 2130 Edition 3, NATO Quality Assurance Requirements for Inspection and Test

ISO 9001:2008, Quality management systems — Requirements

ISO 10012:2003, Measurement management systems — Requirements for measurement processes and measuring equipment

## 3 General guidance

**3.1** In an EN 9100 certificated organization, the entire content of both standards is within the purview of Government Quality Assurance (GQA).

**3.2** When reviewing the two documents (i.e. AQAP 2110, EN 9100) it is helpful to note the differences in wording used to describe the stakeholders. The following equivalence (see Table 1) is offered as a workable translation. The contract will normally define the points of contact, outlining their role and authority.



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