

BNQ is a member of the National Standards System (NSS).

IMPARTIALITY POLICY - VERIFICATION

The BNQ undertakes

> to ensure compliance with the international and national accreditation

requirements applicable to its sector of activity, and to deploy the necessary

means to ensure the impartiality of its structure, services and decisions;

to conduct an annual review of all the provisions planned and implemented

regarding compliance with the principle of impartiality and to submit the results of

its review to its Impartiality Committee;

to act promptly in addressing and resolving any conflict of interest situation that

might be reported to it and that could compromise public confidence in the

reliability of its programs and the credibility of its verification statements.

All personnel working for the BNQ have been sensitized to the importance of acting

impartially and being free of all commercial, financial, or other pressures that could

compromise their impartiality. Moreover, they have the duty to apply the provisions

concerning them, and to submit to the Director of Operations of the BNQ, for evaluation and

decision, all situations identified as having the appearance of a conflict of interest.

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