

Terms and Conditions

The purpose of the recognised laboratory scheme is to establish and maintain a commitment to an efficient working relationship under the JAS-ANZ Accreditation procedures and the procedures of the SAA Approvals Quality Manual for certification of equipment.

Non-Exclusivity and Impartiality

It does not preclude either party from entering into any administrative, technical or scientific arrangement with other parties.

Both SAA Approvals and the partner laboratory are to provide an acceptable level of service to clients commensurate with that of a Professional Body including client confidentiality and impartiality.

Adherence to Rules

The partner laboratory agrees to:

1. Abide by the terms and conditions for approval applications.
2. Provide only endorsed test reports within their accreditation scope.

SAA Approvals & the partner laboratory agree to maintain their respective national accreditations as detailed above.

Changes

SAA Approvals and the partner laboratory agree to advise the other of any changes to the organisation or personnel which may affect its capability to operate.

The Partner Laboratory agrees to immediately inform SAA of any changes to their accreditation status.

Membership Tiers

- Silver Membership will be achieved with 10 approval applications completed.
- Gold Membership will be achieved with 25 approval applications completed.
- Platinum Membership will be achieved with 50 approval applications completed.

The laboratory listings on our website will be ranked with platinum appearing at the top, followed by gold, silver then others.

Fees

The annual fee for the scheme is set at a flat AUD 500 per annum. The first year of membership is free of charge. There are no other fees at all associated with the SAA Recognised Laboratory Scheme. The scheduled application fees will remain the same for all applicants.

Annual Laboratory Inspection

The laboratory will be visited by an SAA employee prior to joining the scheme and then every year they remain a member. The visit is free of charge. The purpose of the visit is to provide training, maintain executive contact with the laboratory and verify the accreditation of the laboratory. Any applications made in the previous 12 months will also be reviewed at this time.

Website

Partner Laboratories will have the option to be listed in a special section of our website for public search.

Dispute Resolution

Any dispute arising from the interpretation or implementation of this Agreement will be resolved amicably and expeditiously by consultation and negotiation between the parties which are to be conducted in good faith.

Revocation

SAA retains the right to revoke membership of the scheme and remove the partner laboratory listing from their website at their sole discretion.