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To:	All Initial Applicants in the United States

In-Person Site Assessments Resume Next Month

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention has updated its coronavirus guidance, and we can now resume site assessments for initial applicants in the U.S. All Quality Management Company (QMC) auditors will follow local and state guidance along with any additional requirements asked by you. The auditor will discuss these requirements prior to your site assessment.

Beginning July 1, 2021, all newly scheduled initial applicant audits will be scheduled as site assessments. If you already have an initial audit scheduled as a remote assessment, that audit will be performed remotely. The audit plan you'll receive from the QMC auditor will note the type of audit. The *Governing Requirements for Certification Programs* define those audit types as follows:

- Remote assessment: this is an audit conducted remotely using technologies such as Zoom.
- Site assessment: this is an audit conducted in-person at a fabrication facility or erector's jobsite and main office.

For all site assessments, erectors must have an active job site, while fabricators will need to have representative work for the certifications and endorsements that you have applied for. Please refer to the below documents for details about active job sites and representative work requirements:

- <u>Supplemental Requirements for Building Fabricators (BU)</u> BU2.2
- <u>Supplemental Requirements for Bridge Fabricators (SBR, IBR, ABR)</u> BR2.2, BR3.1 & BR4.1



- <u>Supplemental Requirements for Highway Component Manufacturers (CPT)</u> CPT2.2
- Supplemental Requirements for Hydraulic Fabricators (HYD, HYDA) HD2.2 & AH3.1
- Supplemental Requirements for Erectors (CSE) SE2.2, SE2.5, SE2.6 & SE2.7
- <u>Supplemental Requirements for Fracture Control Endorsement (FCE)</u> FC2.4
- <u>Supplemental Requirements for Applicators of Complex Coatings Endorsement (CCE)</u> CCE2.5

More Information:

- If you are located outside the U.S., please see Bulletin 2021-05.
- If you are located in a U.S. territory, please contact AISC Certification directly.
- Please see our FAQ section and other resources at our <u>Remote Assessment site</u>.
- If you have any questions, please contact AISC Certification directly at <u>certification@aisc.org</u> or 312.670.7520.