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To:	All Participants in the United States

Resuming In-Person Site Assessments

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention has updated its coronavirus guidance. We can now resume site assessments for participants in the United States. All Quality Management Company (QMC) auditors will follow local and state guidance along with any additional requirements you may have. The auditor will discuss these requirements before your site assessment.

Beginning August 30, 2021, we will start phasing in site assessments by performing a portion of our scheduled U.S. renewal audits as site assessments. Starting October 4, 2021, all renewal audits will be site assessments. Your audit plan will note the type of audit, and 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, you must have representative work for the certifications and endorsements that you hold, and erectors will also need an active job site. Please reference the following supplemental requirements for additional details on representative work and active job sites:

- [Supplemental Requirements for Building Fabricators \(BU\)](#) - BU2.2
- [Supplemental Requirements for Bridge Fabricators \(SBR, IBR, ABR\)](#) - BR2.2, BR3.1 & BR4.1
- [Supplemental Requirements for Highway Component Manufacturers \(CPT\)](#) - CPT2.2



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- *Supplemental Requirements for Hydraulic Fabricators (HYD, HYDA)* - HD2.2 & AH3.1
- *Supplemental Requirements for Erectors (CSE)* - SE2.2, SE2.5, SE2.6 & SE2.7
- *Supplemental Requirements for Fracture Control Endorsement (FCE)* - FC2.4
- *Supplemental Requirements for Applicators of Complex Coatings Endorsement (CCE)* - CCE2.5

Scope Changes

Scope change audits will also be phased in as in-person assessments beginning August 30, 2021, and fully resuming as site assessments on October 4, 2021. The audit plan you'll receive from the QMC auditor will note if your renewal audit includes your scope change and the type of audit.

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.
- If you have any questions, please contact AISC Certification directly at certification@aisc.org or 312.670.7520.