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Resuming In-Person Site Assessments

We are resuming in-person site assessments for most international participants.

There are two exceptions:

- Countries with active level 3 or 4 [U.S. Department of State travel advisories](#) (as specified in Section 4.13 of the *Governing Requirements for Certification Programs*)
- Countries with extreme COVID-19 restrictions, as defined by the U.S. Department of State

The pandemic and global political conditions are especially fluid right now, and we will do our best to balance onsite audits with the safety of the Quality Management Company (QMC) auditors.

Assessments

For in-person site assessments, all QMC auditors will follow local, state, or national COVID-19 guidance along with any additional protocols you may have. The auditor will discuss these requirements before your site assessment.

Your audit plan will note the type of audit. As a reminder, here's how they are defined in the [Governing Requirements](#):

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



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You must have representative work for the certifications and endorsements you hold available for QMC auditors to review during your assessment.

For further information, please see:

- *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
- *Supplemental Requirements for Hydraulic Fabricators (HYD, HYDA)* - HD2.2 & AH3.1
- *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 follow the in-person assessment eligibility standards outlined above. We will attempt to combine a scope change audit with your regular renewal audit; your audit plan will indicate whether that is possible.

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