

PJLA Update Notification

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Form/Procedure/Policy: PJLA Calibration Scopes of Accreditation ANSI Z540

Attention: Applicant and Accredited Calibration Laboratories

We would like to inform you that the ANSI/NCSL Z540.1-1994 standard was officially withdrawn as an active standard in 2007, and its replacement, Z540.3-2006, was likewise withdrawn in 2020. These standards have been superseded by ISO/IEC 17025:2017, which remains the current and active international standard for calibration laboratories.

To clarify:

- ✓ Z540.1 and Z540.3 are no longer active standards
- ✓ There are no plans for future revisions
- ✓ Accreditation to ISO/IEC 17025:2017 fully meets—and exceeds—the requirements of Z540.1 and Z540.3

While some government agencies may still require accreditation to the withdrawn Z540 standards, PJLA will continue to allow laboratories to maintain these standards on their scope for the time being. However, we strongly encourage laboratories not actively required to use Z540.1 or Z540.3 to consider removing them from their scope of accreditation. This will help reduce unnecessary costs and promote alignment with current best practices.

If you wish to remove Z540.1 or Z540.3 from your scope, please contact your Accreditation Program Assistant to initiate a scope modification.

Thank you for your continued commitment to quality and compliance.

PJLA Management