

ANNEX V

The minimum criteria to be applied by member states when designating bodies for the carrying-out of tasks pertaining to the procedures referred to in article 9

1. The bodies shall have at their disposal the necessary personnel, means and equipment.
2. The personnel of the bodies shall have technical competence and professional integrity.
3. The bodies shall work independently of all circles, groups or persons having a direct or indirect interest in non-automatic weighing instruments as regards the carrying-out of the tests, the preparation of the reports, the issuing of the certificates and the surveillance required by this Directive.
4. The personnel of the bodies shall respect professional confidentiality.
5. The bodies shall take out a civil liability insurance if their civil liability is not covered by the State under national law.

The fulfilment of the conditions under points 1 and 2 shall be periodically verified by the Member States.