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Sample Exam

Exam Name: ISO/IEC 17024:2026 – Certified Lead Auditor

Exam Code: ISO-17024-2026-LA

1. What is the primary focus and scope of the ISO/IEC 17024 standard?

- A) Organizations, products, and management systems
- B) Bodies that certify people
- C) The technical competence of every occupation globally
- D) Training course content and attendance requirements

Answer: B) Bodies that certify people

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2. According to the text, what is the key distinction between qualification and competence?

- A) Qualification is completed education/experience, whereas competence is the demonstrated ability to apply knowledge and skills.
- B) Qualification proves a person can achieve intended results, whereas competence only proves course attendance.
- C) Qualification is assessed by an independent body, whereas competence is purely self-evaluated.
- D) There is no meaningful distinction between the two terms in ISO/IEC 17024.

Answer: A) Qualification is completed education/experience, whereas competence is the demonstrated ability to apply knowledge and skills.

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3. Which principle ensures that consistent assessment methods produce comparable results across different candidates and examiners?

- A) Validity
- B) Reliability
- C) Fairness
- D) Impartiality

Answer: B) Reliability

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4. What does the principle of "Impartiality" require a certification body to do?

- A) Assume that everyone involved is entirely neutral without needing oversight.
- B) Identify risks to objectivity and apply proportionate controls and safeguards.
- C) Eliminate all financial relationships, including collection of examination fees.
- D) Allow trainers to examine the exact candidates they taught to maintain efficiency.

Answer: B) Identify risks to objectivity and apply proportionate controls and safeguards.

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5. What is the distinction between certification and accreditation?

- A) Certification evaluates organizations, while accreditation evaluates individuals.
- B) Certification bodies evaluate people, while accreditation bodies evaluate certification bodies.
- C) Accreditation is performed by employers, while certification is performed by the IAF.
- D) There is no operational difference between the two terms.

Answer: B) Certification bodies evaluate people, while accreditation bodies evaluate certification bodies.

6. Which organization supports arrangements to improve the international acceptance of accredited conformity assessment results across borders?

- A) ISO (International Organization for Standardization)
- B) IEC (International Electrotechnical Commission)
- C) IAF (International Accreditation Forum)
- D) Ailuridae Governing Board

Answer: C) IAF (International Accreditation Forum)

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7. In the worked example of the environmental auditor scheme, what is the primary issue regarding the training company's director sitting on the scheme committee and an examiner teaching preparation courses?

- A) It guarantees that all candidates will fail the examination.
- B) It is a direct violation of international copyright laws.
- C) It creates possible impartiality risks that could influence, or appear to influence, certification decisions.
- D) It violates the technical rules of ISO/IEC 17024 regarding financial audits.

Answer: C) It creates possible impartiality risks that could influence, or appear to influence, certification decisions.
