MSL Quality Policy Statement

The Measurement Standards Laboratory (MSL) is New Zealand's National Metrology Institute (NMI). MSL is responsible for developing and disseminating the physical measurement standards needed in New Zealand, and ensuring that they are accepted nationally and internationally. MSL's activities support measurement capabilities that underpin New Zealand's prosperity and quality of life.

We aim to provide the services that our customers need and, through a process of continuous improvement, to anticipate those needs and exceed our customers' expectations. We are committed to providing a quality service in a safe and healthy working environment.

MSL's calibration and testing services are accredited by International Accreditation New Zealand (IANZ), against the ISO 17025 standard for testing and calibration laboratories, using internationally recognised technical experts in each area. The capability of these services is documented in the MSL Scope of Accreditation schedule issued by IANZ.

As an NMI, MSL:

- participates in international activities that ensure mutual recognition of New Zealand's and other nations measurement capabilities;
- provides technical measurement services for the public and private sectors;
- engages in research and development activities that support the scientific and technical foundation of the international measurement system;
- provides scientific leadership to New Zealand's National Quality Infrastructure in the form of authoritative and independent scientific advice on measurement;
- provides knowledge transfer and advice for industry, Government and academia.

MSL is committed to the level of quality expected from a national centre of excellence in metrology. MSL management and staff are committed to complying with ISO 17025 and to seeking continual improvement in the effectiveness of the management system. MSL staff and individuals qualified to carry out test and calibration activities adhere to the policies and procedures documented in the quality management system.

The quality of services and other activities are monitored and regularly reviewed, using information collected from:

- client satisfaction surveys and customer feedback;
- MSL's performance in international measurement comparisons;
- international peer-reviews of calibration and measurement services;
- management reviews of the Quality Management System;
- IANZ audits of the Quality Management System;
- MSL audits of calibration and measurement services and the Quality Management System;
- MSL reviews of technical areas;
- health and safety audits of work areas.

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