

INTEK S.p.A. laboratory is accredited ACCREDIA LAB N° 1180
Meaning of ACCREDIA accreditation (The Italian Accreditation Body)

"Accreditation" shall mean an attestation by a national accreditation body that a conformity assessment body meets the requirements set by harmonised standards and, where applicable, any additional requirements including those set out in relevant sectoral schemes, to carry out a specific conformity assessment activity (*ref. REGULATION (EC) No 765/2008*).

The target of ACCREDIA, testing laboratories department, is to contribute to the creation of confidence in the system of conformity assessment - called to evaluate and certify the compliance of the testing laboratories with the requirements established by the national technical standards and international regulations - and to ensure effectiveness and uniformity of approach by the operators of the system, favouring, thus, the growth of the national economy's competitiveness and improving the welfare of citizens.

For this purpose, ACCREDIA testing laboratories department, in full continuity with the activities previously carried out by SINAL, accredits testing laboratories operating in compliance with the needs and the requirements of the EN / ISO / IEC 17025 standard and the documents ACCREDIA, EA, ILAC, ensuring that they possess and maintain over time the organizational, procedural, technical and professional requirements, in terms such as to give rise, in all social and economic partners concerned - and, in particular, in the users and end consumers - a high degree of confidence in these subjects and in the value of certificates of conformity issued by them (*ref. Regulation Accredia RG-02 Rev.05 chapter 0 - Introduction*).

The application of the requirements of the reference standard (EN / ISO / IEC 17025 or EN ISO 15189) and other applicable documents, aims to encourage the creation and maintenance of customer confidence in the activities of test laboratories accredited and in the impartiality and integrity of the technical operations and business associated with them.

The accreditation demonstrates **the technical competence of the laboratory to perform the tests indicated in the scope of accreditation** and the implementation in the same laboratory of a management system for quality in line with the principles of the EN ISO 9001 Standard.

The laboratories accredited by ACCREDIA are considered competent to carry out testing activities supporting also certification and inspection activities of accredited bodies.

To promote the effectiveness and credibility of the accreditation process is necessary to introduce a set of specific rules and criteria that, without transcending the spirit and the letter of the rule, encourage its full and substantial implementation by the accredited bodies, constituting the unique references, objective and impartial for the assessments conducted by the Accreditation body towards them (*ref. Regulation Accredia RG-02 Rev.05 chapter 0.1 - Introduction*).

The Laboratory is authorized to use the mark of the accreditation body (ACCREDIA) in cases and in the manner prescribed by the institution itself. In particular, the mark appears on Test Reports only if they contain only accredited tests or, if they contain also not accredited tests, these are clearly identified. We inform the customer that the mark or reference to accreditation should not be used in the documentation concerning a product or be affixed on a product, it is instead allowed the distribution of the test report only in integral form.

The updated official list of the ACCREDIA accredited tests of the Laboratory is available at the Laboratory, on the website www.intek.it in the "Info" section or on the website www.accredia.it - Database - Testing Laboratories.

Copy of the certificate of accreditation is available on the website www.intek.it in the "Info" section.