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Administrative Circular

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**TO ALL NATIONAL COMMITTEES
TO TECHNICAL COMMITTEES AND SUBCOMMITTEES**

**DIRECTIVES RELATED
Publicly Available Specifications (PAS) validity period**

Dear Sir/Madam,

Following SMB Decision 157/15, the SMB approved reducing the validity lifetime of a Publicly Available Specification (PAS) from a maximum period of 3 years, with a single extension of 3 years, (3 + 3) **to a maximum period of 2 years, with a single extension of 2 years, (2 + 2 = 4 years maximum)**. This decision goes into effect immediately.

The IEC Directives Maintenance Team will modify Part 1, clause 3.2.4 as part of the next edition of the ISO/IEC Directives Part 1.

Yours faithfully,

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General Secretary & CEO

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